

THE POWER OF ONE-TO-ONE MENTORING



A GUIDE TO KIDS HOPE MENTORING



OUR VISION

HOPE IN THE LIFE OF EVERY CHILD

Positive human relationships are the building blocks for healthy development. Yet many Australian children lack significant one-to-one relationships with caring adults. Teachers see what the research has shown – that early intervention into the lives of vulnerable children will significantly improve their life chances in education, health, social competence and wellbeing.

“ KIDS HOPE AUS IS EVIDENCE-BASED AND EVALUATED BY TEACHERS ANNUALLY. 92.2% OF STUDENTS WERE REPORTED AS HAVING IMPROVED BEHAVIOUR, CONFIDENCE AND HIGHER SELF ESTEEM. ”

‘HORIZONS OF HOPE’ EVALUATION REPORT



KIDS HOPE AUS, which began in 2004, aims to develop emotional and social resilience in children, thereby enhancing their capacity to learn. The model is built on a long-term partnership between a local school and a local church. Carefully screened and trained mentors from the church meet the children for one hour per week at the school. The results can change lives.

"I love Larissa and I am so excited to see her each week."

"Paul teaches me to calm down when I am angry."

"I love playing handball with Sam. She is my best friend."



ONE MENTOR + ONE CHILD = ONE BRIGHT FUTURE

CHANGING A CHILD'S LIFE ONE HOUR AT A TIME

'Paula has the most beautiful relationship with Olivia. Olivia looks for her and knows exactly when she's due. If I praise her and say Paula would be proud, she just radiates pleasure. Olivia still cries coming to school from home, and cries having to go home... but at school her attitude is much more positive and she is more accepting of change.' (Teacher)

OUR MODEL: BUILDING COMMUNITY AND CONNECTING WITH KIDS



OUR SCHOOLS

KIDS HOPE AUS is registered as a 'Quality Assured Program' with the Australian Youth Mentoring Network, as it meets or exceeds national mentoring benchmarks. KIDS HOPE AUS provides an effective, proven intervention for kids needing additional support. As one principal said 'Our kids are healthier and happier because of KIDS HOPE AUS.'

"When I was asked to get feedback from the staff about Kids Hope, I expected a few positive comments. I was absolutely bombarded with nothing but fantastic responses... I was truly touched by the responses and they could have gone on and on but the bell rang & we had to leave our meeting."

JO GRAHAM, PRINCIPAL

OUR CHURCHES

Churches affiliate with KIDS HOPE AUS and a local school with the intention of enhancing the lives of children and building relationships with their local communities. KIDS HOPE AUS resources, trains and supports coordinators and mentors in their roles.



"It is such a powerful engagement when churches and schools work together for the sake of the children. The feedback from pastors and principals has been overwhelmingly positive and there is clear evidence that Kids Hope Aus works. Young lives have been transformed!"

TIM COSTELLO,
CEO OF WORLD VISION AUSTRALIA
& KIDS HOPE AUS PATRON

CREATE A KIDS HOPE PROGRAM IN YOUR CHURCH AND SCHOOL

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Contact KIDS HOPE AUS via our website, email or give us a call.

Research - a KIDS HOPE staff member will help you find out all you need to know.

Engage with leadership / staff for approval and commitment to start KIDS HOPE program.

Appoint a church coordinator to manage the program and liaise with the school in matching students.

Training and Affiliation. Coordinators attend two days training and are resourced to train mentors. The church affiliates with KIDS HOPE AUS.

Establish - Mentors can now be matched with eligible students whose parents have given consent. The program is now ready to launch in the school and the mentoring can begin.

**KIDS HOPE AUS is Australia's largest early intervention mentoring program.
It is easily implemented and is the clear program of choice for schools.**

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