

PURPOSE AND MISSION

1. **Who are we?**
Cordwalles is an Anglican Independent Boys' Preparatory School
2. **Our Purpose**
"To build a boy's best foundation for life in a changing world"
3. **Our Mission**
Creating an innovative and nurturing learning environment
To inspire and educate boys
To become men of significance
4. **Why do we do this?**
We are passionate about developing boys for the future.

We believe that a boy's foundation is secured by building and developing SAVY:

- 1) **Skills (Knowledge)**: These two aspects need to be developed in all the boys so that they are able to cope confidently in a changing and competitive world.
- 2) **Attitude (Passion and Motivation)**: Our boys need to be inspired, dedicated and focused on doing the best they can in the activities they are exposed to.
- 3) **Values**: Boys at Cordwalles need to be instilled with the following core values:

Respect	–	for God, oneself, others and the environment
Courage	–	to stand up for the truth and what is right
Compassion	–	to care for the wellbeing of others in our community
Integrity	–	in all things to act with honesty and fairness
Responsibility	–	to act and take responsibility where necessary
- 4) **Y – Why!?:** Critical thinking is so important to develop in our boys. These aspects contribute to ensuring that boys leave Cordwalles with confidence and selfbelief providing them with the essential foundation for life.

Key Goals (Celebrate)

- C Citizenship and community.**
Boys are encouraged to become responsible Citizens of our country. We need to develop a learning environment in which all members of our diverse community are encouraged to understand and respect each other.
Furthermore, Cordwalles is committed to developing a shared vision, effective communication, respect and courtesy in order to form a basis for the partnership between parents, boys and staff.
- F Excellence**
Cordwalles will strive for excellence in all that it does to educate its boys. It is also essential to develop personal excellence in each boy where each boy has the opportunity to realise his God-given potential.

L Leadership

It is the goal of Cordwalles to develop leadership, independence and interdependence in each boy so they make a positive contribution to society in all environments in which they live.

E Environment

Cordwalles aims to develop in each boy a respect for and appreciation of the environment.

We believe that it is vital that our boys engage positively in the environmental issues facing the world today.

B Boys only

Boy-centred education focuses on boys learning styles, interests and skills whilst catering for every boy's individual needs. Cordwalles strives to develop Best Practice for boys, staying abreast of global trends.

R Relevant and balanced

A relevant education is one that builds the spiritual, social, emotional, intellectual and physical potential of our boys through the academic, extramural and cultural elements of the school curriculum.

A Awareness

Cordwalles aims to develop an awareness in the boys of the difficulties faced by different sectors of our community and thereby fostering compassion for those in need which results in action and caring.

T Technology

We as a school recognise the importance of embracing technology so that our boys are able to function effectively and confidently in our ever changing technological world.

E EQ

Developing the emotional intelligence of all our boys is an important goal. We need to nurture and grow boys who are able to empathise with those around them and thereby socialise and interact effectively.

Cordwalles Boys should be:

(Cordwalles to the power of three)

- Creative, confident, computer literate
- Organised, open minded, honest
- Respectful, responsible, resilient
- Determined, disciplined, diligent
- Well mannered (Humble in victory and gracious in defeat)
- Attitude, adaptable, aware
- Learn, live, love
- Listen empathetically, lead, leave a legacy
- Emotionally intelligent, enthusiastic, environmentally aware
- Servant Leader, sensible, significant

Strategic Plan Focus Groups

- Curriculum
- Staff Development
- Grow Boarding
- Facilities Upgrade
- Culture/Ethos of the School
- Financial Sustainability

Why boys only

- Differences between boys and girls
- Developmental lag
- Self-esteem issues
- Role exploration
- Language and reading
- Expert handling
- Learning styles

Why Cordwalles

- Small classes
- Critical thinking
- Specialist teachers
- Holistic education
- Individual attention
- Good facilities
- Dedicated teachers
- Feeder to world class high schools
- Happy boys
- Character based