

# THE MICHAELHOUSE WAY

## Boys today. Men of principle tomorrow.



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### OUR VALUES

To live our lives according to the Christian values of integrity, humility, compassion and courage in service to our community and country.

### OUR MISSION

To provide a dynamic and progressive education for boys that respects individual needs and embraces diversity and change in pursuit of academic, sporting and cultural excellence while providing social and leadership skills and nurturing spiritual growth.

### OUR HONOURABLE TRADITIONS

Our Christian values and structures that frame our respect for ourselves, each other, and God.

Our holistic approach that encourages us to take every opportunity.

Our hierarchy through which we learn the traditions, responsibilities and rites of passage of a Michaelhouse boy.

Our distinctive architecture, uniforms, customs, events, and language that inspire our sense of belonging.

Our staff who teach us, care for us and model the Michaelhouse way.

### OUR VISION

“Our aim is to make, not accountants, not clerks, not clergymen, but men; men of understanding, thought and culture.”

- Founder James Cameron Todd, Speech Day 1897

## THE MICHAELHOUSE CODE

### INTEGRITY

We will do what is expected of us when no one is looking.  
We will earn trust by being honest.  
We will not compromise these values.

### HUMILITY

We will understand that the world does not revolve around us.  
We will be grateful for the privileges we have been afforded.  
We will acknowledge our own flaws and shortcomings.

### COMPASSION

We will aim to do for others what we would want to have done for us.  
We will do our best to integrate everyone into our community.  
We will seek to understand the perspectives of others.

### COURAGE

We will not be afraid to stand up for what is right and good.  
We will not stand down when faced with adversity and challenges.  
We will be willing to lead for the sake of truth and justice.

### SERVICE

We will give to others and not expect anything in return.  
We will do for others the best of what was done for us.  
We will seek to embody these words: **“If a boy walks so tall that he cannot stoop to help those that have fallen, then he knows nothing of the spirit of Michaelhouse.”**

## A SIGNIFICANT MAN IS

### A MAN OF UNDERSTANDING

Who knows right from wrong yet is able to be gracious and manage complexity.

### A MAN OF THOUGHT

Who is intellectually curious and seeks to relate healthily to his entire world.

### A MAN OF CULTURE

Who knows his own roots yet also seeks to know the best that has been thought and expressed throughout the world.

### Therefore:

### A SIGNIFICANT MAN

Will have the strength and wisdom to meet personal and social challenges with the hope and courage of St Michael himself.

# “QUIT YOU LIKE MEN”

