Homebush West Public School is highly regarded for quality learning programs and supportive, nurturing environment. Homebush West Public School is a ‘Centre for Excellence’ 2011-2013 through the National Smarter Schools, Quality Teaching Project. 95% of students are from Culturally and Linguistically Diverse (CALD) backgrounds.

The school’s purpose is to equip students with the knowledge and skills to be active, informed and successful in a changing world. The school values participation, citizenship and leadership at all levels of the school. The students have a high level of involvement in the life of the school and take pride in their many academic and sporting successes. The teachers are dedicated and professional.

**English as a second language (ESL)**
There are three ESL/English as an Additional Language or Dialect (EALD) teachers working across the grades. These teachers are trained in ESL and EALD pedagogy. Classroom teachers are also trained in the program, Teaching English Language Learners (TELL), which provides them with the skills and teaching strategies to support ESL and EALD students effectively in the classroom. Learning support teachers are available.

**Student support services**
Learning support team • School counsellor • Effective student welfare and discipline policies • A comprehensive reward scheme for all students • Commitment to inclusiveness and gender equity • Student Representative Council • Buddies program • Reading Recovery • Support literacy and numeracy programs

**Languages taught**
Chinese

**Special programs**
Whole-school music program • Orchestra tuition including flute, violin, cello, clarinet, keyboard and drumming lessons • Dance Group • Instrumental and choral festival participation • Interschool sporting competitions in soccer, netball and Australian Football League • Basketball competitions • Interschool public speaking competitions • Mathematics extension programs • Active after-school program • Mondays and Wednesdays • Peer support and leadership programs • Premier’s Reading Challenge participation (Kindergarten – Year 6) • Tournament of the Minds participation • Pre-school to Kindergarten and Year 6 to Year 7 transition programs • Environmental programs including recycling and gardening

**Special facilities**
Multipurpose court with tennis and basketball facilities • Shaded playgrounds with quiet play areas including a sandpit and climbing equipment • Internet access and iPads in all classrooms • Development of Learning Centre with a media room • Attractive surrounding gardens

**Local area features**
Homebush West is a vibrant multicultural inner-west suburb. It is conveniently situated near Flemington railway station and the Sydney Markets. The bustling shopping centre near the school has a high proportion of inexpensive, quality restaurants and shops selling fresh produce. Buses travel between Flemington railway station and the inner-west suburbs on a regular daily timetable.