Macarthur Girls High School is a girls’ school with a strong tradition of academic excellence. The school provides a unique environment with a focus on creating a harmonious, multicultural community upholding the values of PRIDE (Participation + Respect + Integrity + Diversity + Excellence). The school encourages and empowers students to achieve their potential. Macarthur Girls was the first Centre for Excellence school in NSW, acknowledging the excellent standard of teaching.

English as a second language (ESL)
Special ESL classes are taught Years 9 to 12 • In-class assistance Years 7 and 8 • ESL course for the Higher School Certificate and Fundamentals of English course

Student support services
Careers resource centre • Year advisers • School counsellors

Languages taught
French • Japanese

Special programs
Extensive leadership programs • Instrumental music, percussion, choir, drama and dance • Sports and extracurricular activities • Weekly school sport program • Interschool debating • Performance at dance, drama and music festivals • School choir • Language study tours • Gifted and Talented Program

Special facilities
25-metre six-lane swimming pool • Gymnasium • Language laboratory with video conferencing facilities • Tennis and basketball courts • Dance studio • Drama rooms • Science laboratories

Academic achievements – 2013 HSC results
Top score ATAR was 99.2 • 179 University offers were made to over 71% of our HSC students • 95 mentions on the Distinguished Achievers List where students received Band 6 or E 4 results across a number of HSC courses • Students attained third and eighth place in the State for Community and Family Studies and fourth place in the state for English standard • Eight HSC International Students in 2013 received 22 offers from seven universities, with six students receiving multiple offers

Local area features
Macarthur Girls High School is situated on the Parramatta River next to Parramatta and within walking distance to the Parramatta Railway station and Parramatta Westfield Shopping Centre. Parramatta has many sporting, entertainment, transport and shopping facilities and is 30 minutes train journey from the Sydney Central Business District.