

# Archbishop James Gleeson

Gleeson College is named after our patron,  
Archbishop James Gleeson.

**Gleeson College Motto: 'With One Heart'**

**Archbishop James Gleeson's letter to the  
Gleeson College Community – 1989**

*I thank you for the beautiful way you have involved me in  
the life and mission of your College.*

*In choosing my family name for your College, I believe you  
have chosen a living tradition of commitment to education  
and especially to Catholic Education.*

*When I visited Gleeson College, I was deeply touched by your wonderful spirit of  
enthusiasm.*

*I hope that this community of students, teachers, family and friends will develop a living  
tradition of a school, which is centred on the Gospels of Jesus Christ.*

*As a community, you will come to recognise the presence of the Lord in one another  
and to grow in deep reverence for the dignity of every person who touches your lives in  
every way.*

*In the pleasant setting of your College amid the hills and valleys, you are surrounded by  
so much beauty.*

*Through the life of your College, I am sure you will be inspired and will also inspire the  
other communities of your combined campus, with a deep appreciation of God's creation  
and its meaning in our lives.*

*In my life as priest and bishop, I served for ten years on the Pontifical Council, Cor  
Unum. That name, "Cor Unum" meaning "One Heart", became very precious to me. I  
hope that you will be truly of "One Heart".*

*For this will mean that every person involved in the College Community will be united  
deeply in the Church as brothers and sisters of Jesus Christ.*

*It will mean that your College will reach out to the community of Australia and to the  
whole world and particularly to those who suffer and are in need of any kind.*

*I leave with you this hope of mine:  
that Gleeson College will always be of "One  
Heart" in every aspect of its life and mission.*

*Thank you for accepting me into your hearts  
and lives.*

**Archbishop James Gleeson**

**Photo at left: The Official Opening of Gleeson  
College on 30th July 1989.**

