# **Ravenswood School for Girls**

Sydney, New South Wales, Australia





A Uniting Church K-12 School for Girls in Sydney

Using EP since 09.2011

UP users (Students) **687** 

UP users (Teachers) **115** 

### About

Ravenswood is a Uniting Church, Kindergarten to Year 12 Day and Boarding school that aims to equip and inspire girls to

## Our online learning journey

Ravenswood School for Girls, Sydney started working with Education Perfect in 2011.

participate in and contribute to our evolving global society. Based in Gordon on Sydney's North Shore, they are one of Australia's leading independent girls' schools, offering holistic education with a strong academic focus. Ravenswood is a pioneer in Visible Wellbeing and Positive Education.

Member of the following associations:

- The Association of Heads of Independent Girls' Schools (AHIGS).
- The Association of Independent Schools of NSW
- The 'G6' School Community
- PESA

Language study is compulsory for all students in K -9, and an elective subject for 10-12 (HSC). Language acquisition is compulsory for the IB Diploma in 11-12. EP used in Years 5-12 inclusive.

They have won "the educator" Innovative Schools Award in 2018 and 2019.

Junior School: IB PYP (Primary Years Program)

Years 7-10: National Curriculum - NSW (NESA syllabuses)

Years 11-12: students can choose an IB International Baccalaureate) or HSC pathway

#### Why Education Perfect (EP)

Starting as a simple 'vocabulary drilling' system, EP has developed this into one that enables the practicing of speaking and listening, in addition to reading and writing. It has become a platform full of a wide variety of language activities, which consolidate macro skills and new syllabus outcomes alike. In addition, it offers excellent resources that develop a student's cultural awareness, at all levels. Teachers are also able to create their own 'smart lessons' and assessment tasks, which has proven to be incredibly useful, particularly in 2020, when remote learning came into place. "We have loved using Language Perfect (Education Perfect) for a number of years now. The students enjoy the World Championships, in-school competitions and the interactive activities, and our language teachers are super impressed by not only the efficient and friendly service provided by the lovely EP support team, but the ever-improving resources and assessment tasks available for us to use for our formative assessment in the classroom and to set as homework. We particularly appreciate the new student progress tracking capabilities. Thank you Education Perfect! We look forward to another exciting year working together to enhance our students' love of language learning."

Bronwen Calcraft , HOD Languages Ravenswood School for Girls, Sydney

#### Impact

Teachers' opinions

Name & Subject	Why Adopted EP & What problem it solved	Key feature	Positive Impact
Heidy, Spanish teacher	Started from a Vocab drill system, EP has developed the new system that allows practicing of Speaking and Listening. It is now a platform full of language activities in many forms, practising different language skills	You are able to mix videos from the outside source (YouTube) and embed them into your EP activity	Making Speaking tests is a lot easier with the student recording function, what used to take 3 lessons can now be done in 1 period! EP can also centralise all activities instead of letting teacher jumping between platforms – hence students are more organised

Justine, K-6 French teacher	It is used as a vocab drill platform	Data collection very effective: the system shows how students progressively improve their language abilities Inter-class competitions are also useful to engage students	Students like it and it makes learning FUN Extremely useful when a replacement teacher is needed- just set tasks on EP
Ann, German & Japanese teacher	For Junior groups, it vocab drilling in a fun way For Senior students, they can practice vocab, grammar and Kanji more effective It's good on practising all 4 skills	Vocab building Grammar drilling topics for HSC & IB	Learning in an enjoyable way for students Competitions bring the element of competitiveness Old fashion drilling in a modern way that's more acceptable for the students
Sihan, Mandarin Chinese teacher	Started as a vocab training web, now it collaborates many features, solving mainly the difficulties in exam, especially combined/streamed classes	Activities can be distributed to different streams of students working in the same time. Also during the exam, it's easier to do listening - students can control their own pace	By moving away from 'teacher-centred learning', students get more attention from the teacher, hence promoting more self-motivated learning

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