

## MARY FERRIDGE - YEAR 8

### What are your aspirations?

One of my aspirations is definitely netball, and here at Santa Maria we do have a school netball team that you can try out for, but unfortunately last year I didn't make it into the team, but I will definitely try out again this year! I would also like to be an Author, because I really enjoy English at Santa Maria.

### What co-curricular activities do you do?

Last year I was in the debating team, which I enjoyed and I think I really improved my debating skills. For the music exploration program last year I was given the trumpet, which I was a bit sceptical about at first, but I grew to really enjoy it and I continued on with it and I am now in the junior orchestra. I also do netball outside of school, and I hope that my skills are improving. I am currently in the triathlon team at school and at the moment we are training for the swimming leg.

### What do you like most about being a Santa girl?

Probably the great environment that us Santa girls are around, there is always someone for you to talk to, if it's a counsellor or meeting up with a teacher if you are falling behind. The teachers are always there to help you and to be your best, and there is always a very positive learning environment surrounding the College. Lots of my family members have gone to Santa, including my Mum, my Aunty and many cousins, two of whom were College Captains. I am also connected in my house Lourdes - Lourdes house news always comes up at family gatherings. Another highlight of being a Santa girls is all of the amazing friends that I've made in Year 7 and getting to know others in Year 8.