

St Columban's School Cross

St Columban's Primary School, Mayfield, has a new school cross. It was designed and painted by Catherine Kavanagh DiGravio, a Newcastle artist and one of the parents at the school. St Columban's Principal, Jennifer Crichton said "The new school cross encapsulates the catholic identity within a diverse cultural community such as Mayfield." The symbols are significant to the school. Biraban, the eagle hawk, flies over the top of the cross. Biraban is Newcastle's aboriginal totem. Celtic and southern European symbols in the form of swirls and mosaic patterns represented in gold and silver. Tongan tiki to represent the Pacific Islands. Vietnamese lotus and Chinese lantern to recognise a little of the diversity of our Asian cultures. Boomerang to represent the wider Aboriginal nations and the Sudanese sculpture to show the growing African culture in the local community.

