



ST JOSEPH'S PRIMARY SCHOOL

VISION AND MISSION STATEMENT

Our Vision

As a Community of Learners, St. Joseph's Primary School, Culcairn acknowledges that "Christ is the foundation of the whole educational enterprise in a Catholic School". (par 34. The Catholic School)

Our Mission

St. Joseph's Primary School is a Community of Learners where the children, parents and staff are witnesses to their faith.

Therefore we:

- model Gospel values when dealing with others
- promote, through our Religious Education programme, a knowledge and understanding of Catholic teachings and a celebration of the sacraments
- foster an environment which encourages Christian attitudes and behaviours towards others
- demonstrate care and support for all members of our Learning Community
- participate in regular liturgies and celebrations of prayer

As Leaders of a Community of Learners we strive for personal excellence, equality of opportunity and justice for all.

Therefore we:

- regularly participate in professional development programmes, both formal and informal
- use staff meetings for professional dialogue and development
- incorporate ideas into our newsletter to affirm and/or challenge parents as they support their children
- are aware of the importance of professional reading and regularly participate in this activity

As a Community of Learners we promote the balanced development of the whole person.

Therefore we:

- provide quality education through spiritual, academic, emotional, physical and social programmes that stimulate challenge and support the children
- promote opportunities that develop leadership, responsibility, acceptance, tolerance, confidence, co-operation, flexibility and self-esteem
- recognise the talents of all members of our Learning Community
- have a Pastoral Care policy which encourages Christian attitudes and behaviours toward others
- utilise the Key Learning Areas to extend, challenge and support all children

As a Community of Learners, parents are acknowledged and supported in their role as prime educators.

We exist in, and are interdependent upon, our local and wider community.

Therefore we:

- provide regular recognition of parental efforts
- provide opportunities and encourage parents to be active members of our Learning Community
- provide opportunities for members of our Learning Community to participate in a broad range of activities at different venues
- meet regularly with parents to exchange information about their child.