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SACRED HEART SCHOOL
Kindy - Year 6

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Sacred Heart School’s Vision and Mission

MISSION
Sacred Heart School is centred in Jesus. We strive for educational excellence encompassing the spiritual, intellectual, social, physical, emotional and creative development of our students.

VALUES
We aim to help the children show their love for, and faith in God through our values of:

* Compassion * Courage * Forgiveness * Humility
* Respect for Human Dignity * Service to Others
FAITH DEVELOPMENT AND PRACTICE

We are fortunate to have our parish church next door to the school. Father Dominic Savio visits the classrooms regularly to spend time with the children.

The parishioners are very interested in the everyday life of the school and are often involved in our activities especially our school masses. Parents are always most welcome to attend our masses and classroom liturgies.

Our Sacramental Program consisting of Penance, First Holy Eucharist and Confirmation is Parish Coordinated, School Based and Parent Supported. All children from Kindergarten to Year Six learn about our Catholic faith through the Religious Education Guidelines as set by the Bishops’ of Western Australia. Staff and children share daily prayers and role model the values of Jesus in our words and actions.

There are prayer tables placed throughout the school and the focus changes depending on the time of year. We have whole school celebrations for our patron the Sacred Heart of Jesus, and our Australian Saint, St Mary of the Cross (MacKillop). We are also involved in charities such as, Caritas, Lifelink and the St Vincent de Paul Christmas Appeal and the Winter Drive through gold coin collections and donations of non-perishable foods.
CURRICULUM

Sacred Heart School, as with all Catholic schools, teaches Religious Education as our first learning area, centred in the person of Jesus to develop the whole child. We also teach eight other learning areas: English, Mathematics, Society and Environment, Science, The Arts (Visual Art, Music, Dance and Drama), Physical Education and Health, Technology and Enterprise and Italian. We strive for excellence in our teaching and learning opportunities and ensure our assessments are valid, fair and educative. We participate in the NAPLAN, WAMSE and Bishop’s Literacy Religious Assessments, gaining valuable knowledge about individual children and whole school development.

PHYSICAL EDUCATION AND SPORT

We conduct physical education and sport sessions throughout the week for the Pre Primary to Year Six classes. Each class has one class with the specialised Physical Education Teacher and the other with their Class Teacher.

At Sacred Heart School we have Faction Swimming, Cross Country and Athletics Carnivals during the year. We also belong to the Catholic Schools Sports Association Eastern Region which includes the following schools:

Mary’s Mount, Matthew Gibney, St Maria Goretti, St Michael, Xavier, St Augustine, Santa Clara, Good Shepherd, St Jude and Sacred Heart.

We participate with these schools at our Interschool Competitions in Athletics and Cross Country as well as Lightning Carnival’s involving football, soccer and netball. All children are encouraged to participate in sports events regardless of their level or experience in the sport.
THE ARTS

A very special part of our curriculum is the focus we have on the Arts. We offer both a Visual Arts and Music program. All students from Pre-Primary to Year 6 participate in lessons in both these Arts areas. We have a dedicated and fully equipped Visual Arts room where lessons are conducted.

LANGUAGES OTHER THAN ENGLISH

We are very lucky to have a specialist Italian teacher to teach all students from Kindergarten to Year 6. The focus is not only on the ability to learn to speak Italian but also the development of an understanding of the culture.

INFORMATION COMMUNICATION TECHNOLOGY

Each class room is equipped with an Interactive White Board and the students have access to a class set of iPads available to use as needed. We are fortunate to have a purpose built Computer Lab, equipped with a class set of computers and internet access available to all classes.

LIBRARY

Next to our Computer Lab is our School Library. All students have the opportunity each week to attend a class in the Library. They learn how to research for class projects and borrow books that interest them. Our children have the opportunity to take part in many competitions offered by the Library staff throughout the year. The library is also opened at lunch time a couple of times each week to allow children more access if they are interested.
VEGETABLE GARDENS

Our children all have the opportunity to help look after our environment. They learn about recycling both materials and food. We have a vegetable garden for each classroom along with our own worm farm. The vegetables grown vary from season to season and the children help to plant, feed and harvest their crops. Our ‘Worm Wizz’ is sold in 2 litre bottles for $2 a bottle and is very good for the garden!

EARLY CHILDHOOD CENTRE

Our Kindergarten and Pre-Primary children have their own Early Childhood Centre. Both indoor and outdoor areas are equipped with appropriate activities for your child in their early years of education. Following the parent and principal interview for enrolment, the kindergarten teacher has a morning tea with the parents to share information and answer questions about the curriculum and daily routines. During this time the incoming Kindy children are invited to the Early Childhood Centre to spend a session with the staff, either as an organised activity or free play. Letters of invitation are sent to the parents and the children in a timely manner.

TRANSITION FROM PRE-PRIMARY TO YEAR ONE

We know and understand the transition from Pre-Primary to Year One can be quite intimidating for the parents and occasionally for the children. Therefore we conduct a ‘Welcome to Year One’ parent session to share routines and procedures to aid in a smooth transition. Your children will spend time in the Year One classroom during term four to allow them the opportunity to practise the routines and procedure of the ‘big school.’
COMMUNICATION

Effective communication is vital to a happy and well-informed community. Sacred Heart School emails a Term Planner during the first week of every term to enable the parents to be well prepared for particular school events. A newsletter is emailed out once a fortnight containing photographs and class events, along with reminders of upcoming activities. Teachers are available for an appointment; the time is negotiated between the teacher and parents.

PARENTAL INVOLVEMENT

We believe learning is a three way partnership between Parents, School and children, all working closely together to achieve the best possible outcome. As such, parental involvement is widely encouraged in and around the school. You can take the more formal approach through becoming a member of either the School Board or the Parent & Friends Association. There is also the more informal approach through helping in the Canteen, Parent Help Rosters in class rooms or helping at any of the various sporting events held through the year.

SCHOOL POLICIES

As we operate within the Federal and State Government Education requirements as well as the Catholic Education Commission of WA, we are required to have particular policies to ensure we are operating according to the principles and procedures set down. We also have our own school policies such as our Pastoral Care Policy and Medication Policy for the optimum care and safety of all. The Staff Policy Handbook is available to all teachers and a hard copy is in the office. Parents are most welcome to read the policies and discuss any matters for further clarification. The School Board members view the updated policies every year and are invited to critique and discuss the policies.
SCHOOL UNIFORMS

The children in Year One to Year Six are required to wear their summer and winter uniform during the appropriate season. A sports uniform including faction tee shirt, sports shorts and track suit are worn on sport or PE days and during all physical education and sporting events. A school hat and a water bottle for personal use are compulsory for all outdoor activities.

While the Kindergarten and Pre-Primary children are welcome to wear the school sports uniform, it is not compulsory. If you choose for your child to wear the uniform it must be the whole sports uniform, not just one part of it. When not wearing the uniform they must wear sun smart free dress with appropriate footwear. A school hat or cricket style hat and a water bottle for personal use are compulsory for all outdoor activities.

UNIFORM SHOP

The Uniform Shop is currently open on Thursdays from 8.45am - 9.15am. Special arrangements are made to accommodate new families to the school. It is located in the main teaching block inside the Multi-Purpose Room (MPR). There is also the option of placing your order at any time during the week, the uniform will be delivered to your child the following Thursday.
### SACRED HEART SCHOOL UNIFORM POLICY

**Compulsory Uniform for Year 1 – 6 Students**

**Most items are available from the uniform shop except for school shoes and sandals**

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**HAIR ACCESSORIES**

Navy blue ribbons, Navy blue scrunchies, Navy blue headbands

**Please note:** For safety reasons, school shoes are to have a low heel

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### HAIR

Hair should be natural, well-groomed and hair below collar length must be tied back. Hair should not be coloured, spiked or shaved. Only navy, gold and red scrunchies/ribbons may be worn and plain clips or combs if required.

### JEWELLERY

**Children are permitted to wear:**

- A religious medal on a gold or silver chain around the neck
- A watch
- Gold or silver studs in the ears for girls
- Gold or silver studs in the ears for boys

**Please note:**

The wearing of sleepers is inappropriate for safety reasons. Children wearing inappropriate jewellery will be requested to remove it immediately

### OTHER COMPULSORY ITEMS

School Bag with Logo
DUTY OF CARE – SCHOOL TIMES

Teachers are on duty Monday to Friday from 8.30am to 3.30pm to ensure the safety of your children. We encourage your children to arrive at school between 8.30am – 8.45am so they have time to hang up their school bag and prepare for the day ahead prior to the first bell.

BELL TIMES:

FIRST BELL - 8.50 AM

RECESS -

Start 10.50 AM
Finish 11.10 AM

LUNCH -

Start: 12.45 PM
Whistle: 1.20 PM
Finish: 1.25 PM

FINAL BELL - 3.10 PM
AFFIRMATION

At Sacred Heart School we remember the history and traditions of the Sisters of Saint Joseph of the Apparition and the Sisters of Saint Joseph of the Sacred Heart ‘relieving suffering and bringing hope to all with the desire to accomplish God’s will’. Our school motto calls each of us to strive and challenge ourselves and others:

♦ To Learn ♦ To Care ♦ To Give

We value the wonderful community spirit and pastoral care, which permeates all aspects of our school life. It is within this nurturing environment that our parish priest, parishioners, staff, parents, guardians and students work collaboratively to maintain our Catholic practice, delivering a lifelong love of learning.
For further assistance do not hesitate to contact

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