

# CATHOLIC SCHOOL IMPROVEMENT PLAN

2025-2027

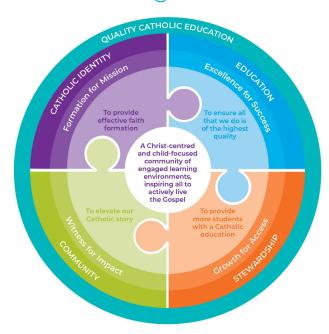
## Sacred Heart School Mundaring

### **CEWA Context**

### Vision

Catholic Education Western Australia is a Christ-centred and child-focused community of engaged learning environments inspiring all to actively live the Gospel.

### **CECWA Strategic Initiatives**



### Formation for Mission

To provide effective faith formation

By 2030, Catholic Education Western Australia will implement formation practices and programs to empower all staff to further the vision and mission of Catholic education

### **Excellence for Success**

To ensure all that we do is of the highest quality

By 2030, Catholic Education Western Australia's students and staff will thrive in their faith development, learning growth and wellbeing.

### Witness for Impact

### To elevate our Catholic story

By 2030, Catholic Education Western Australia will achieve impactful partnerships with our communities, to enable all to recognise the value and contribution of Catholic education.

### **Growth for Access**

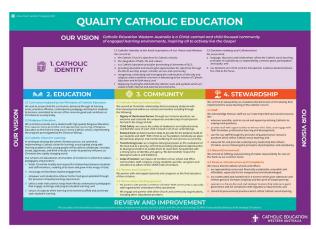
To provide more students with a Catholic education

By 2030, Catholic Education Western Australia will grow enrolments and prepare for future expansion, with parents recognising CEWA as the education provider of choice.

# Quality Catholic Education (QCE)

QCE is a whole of system approach to addressing the important governance and improvement processes and structures, and thus is an elaboration on CEWA's vision of a quality Catholic education which is Christ-centred and child-focused.







### Catholic School Improvement Plan Purpose

### Strategic Intents

Strategic intents should be drawn from and complementary to CECWA's Strategic Initiatives Towards 2030 with the necessary alignment and recognition to the context of the school. Strategic intents are developed through a school-wide consultative process. The strategic intents are broad goals and key improvement goals that can be articulated in more detail and actioned through the iterative School Improvement section of the CSIP.

Through the cycle of strategic planning, when CECWA's Strategic Initiatives are renewed, a school will factor this in when its next cycle of strategic consultation and generation of new intents over a three-year period occurs.

### Staff Formation for Mission Planning

In considering the school's Strategic Intents over the next three years in Catholic Identity, Education, Community and Stewardship, together with the iterative Improvement Goals (collectively the Catholic School Improvement Plan), priority also needs to be placed on identifying faith formation and mission objectives. These are the foundation to any school improvement goal setting and can permeate across all four pillars.

It is recommended schools focus on broad goals across a three-year period. The Staff Formation template is covered in more detail in Formation for Mission (Evangelisation) workshops facilitated by the Religious Education Directorate. It is primarily based on staff formation, as it relates to the school context, because staff cannot effectively evangelise students unless they themselves are suitably formed. The following link to the Accreditation for CEWA SharePoint may provide a valuable resource for schools. This plan should be reviewed alongside the Strategic Intents section within a school's strategic planning cycle. However, it can be updated more regularly should this be required. Schools are encouraged to utilise support from CEWA's Faith Formation Team. These goals are to be incorporated and infused through the Catholic School Improvement Plan, particularly setting more specific goals within the Improvement Goals section.

## Improvement Goals Planning (current school priorities)

Identified Strategic Intents and Staff Formation for Mission priorities are realised through Improvement Goals. The Improvement Goals are not intended to capture all the strategic activities of a school but rather prioritise the key areas of focus that will have the highest impact on realising sustained and relevant improvement. Schools are encouraged to limit the number of goals established to maximise depth and impact of strategy. Similarly, this is an iterative document that aligns with the ongoing nature of change that occurs in a school in order to embed processes and practices that lead to a quality Catholic education. Regular monitoring, review and updating of these goals is encouraged and schools may find the addition of notes and/or appendices to capture significant milestones and achievements useful in celebrating success and establishing the next iteration of improvement goals.

There is an expectation that at least one goal for Aboriginal education and Early Years education (if relevant) be included.

### Informed by evidence from

- Compliance review and governance requirements
- Staff Formation for Mission planning
- Quality Catholic Education guiding principles, frameworks and processes
- CECWA Strategic Initiatives towards 2030
- School Strategic Planning processes and data
- National Quality Standard (NQS) audit
- Aboriginal education / AEIM: Aboriginal Education Improvement Map
- Curriculum planning and requirements
- Student data analysis e.g. Learning Insights and other achievement data, attendance, wellbeing etc.
- QCE School Review (QCESR)
- School Climate Survey
- School improvement processes



### **School Mission, Vision and Values**

### School Mission

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

We value the wonderful community spirit and pastoral care which permeates all aspects of our school life. Our parish priest, parishioners, staff, parents, guardians and students work collaboratively within this nurturing environment to maintain our Catholic practice and deliver a lifelong love of learning.

### School Vision and Values

Sacred Heart School regularly celebrates our community life through shared Catholic experiences and social activities generated by parents, staff and students. Our nurturing environment at Sacred Heart School creates an open, honest and supportive atmosphere where we recognise and value the talents, gifts and needs of each individual.

We celebrate the uniqueness of our students providing a child centred approach which engages the learner through consistently enriched, higher-order thinking strategies where children want to learn, are able to succeed and reach their full potential. Continuous self-reflection, feedback and assessment is used to effectively monitor and review student progress, set individual targets and make regular adjustments to the learning and teaching programs which creates a genuine desire for excellence. Our staff at Sacred Heart School are encouraged to show initiative, investigate current trends and share ideas. This collaborative approach enhances co-ownership of the education of our students. Our staff are effective role models, acting professionally and respectfully through all facets of school life. We recognise the skills, talents and the interest areas of staff members in our school and provide opportunities and encouragement for these talents to be shared within the school community.

We embrace the Gospel message and Gospel values, affirm our parents as the primary educators of our children and work together as a community.

Our values are integral in all we do at Sacred Heart School. Children are recognised as they demonstrate the core values of:

- Compassion
- Courage
- Forgiveness
- Humility
- Respect for Human Dignity
- Service to Others

### Principal Statement

An opportunity for the principal to introduce the Strategic Intents and Formation for Mission Goals that outline the 3-year school improvement agenda.

### **Staff Formation Planning**

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What you want to improve							
Staff Formation	Relevant Actions (How?)	Timeline (When?)	Responsibility (Who?)	Effectiveness Indicators	Pr Year 1	ogress N/P/ Year 2	A Year 3
Improvement Goal:	A renewal of faith, story, and witness for staff and students connecting with the deeper history and story of		Tony Fyfe (AP)s		N		
A renewal of Faith Story Witness Deeper connection to the story of Sacred Heart and its history	Sacred Heart School and the Sisters of St Joseph.				Р		
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Leadership Formation	Career pathway meetings with staff discussing future leadership opportunities	2025-2027	Leadership team and middle leadership team	Staff members accepted into Emerging Leaders Program and Early Years Leadership program, development of	N 🗆		
Improvement Goal: Leading from within??	Promotion of ECE leader Emerging leaders			middle leader team	Р		
Promotion of middle leader team, accelerating leadership pathways	EA Conferences				A		
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Improvement Goal: (what do you hope to achieve?)	Combined Staff Faith and Formation Retreat day: Mario Borg	2025	Mark	Positive feedback survey data	Year 1	Year 2	
In collaboration with regional schools, staff will engage in annual high-quality staff faith and					P		
formation retreats that focus on authentic and meaningful faith formation.					A		
Leadership Formation					N _		
Improvement Goal: (what do you hope to achieve?)					Р		
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### Improvement Goals (current and targeted school priorities drawn from the Strategic Intents)

#### **CATHOLIC IDENTITY Key Improvement Goals - drawn** Responsibility **Relevant Actions Success Indicators** Timeline **Progress** from Strategic Intents What actions will we take to achieve the goal? How will we know we have been Who is the staff member who will Timeframe within which the key How are you tracking? Not successful? What process and lead the strategy? improvement goal will be achieved commenced, Progressing, Achieved Performance & development goal to be outcome data will we measure? achieved (stated simply). At Sacred Heart School, we know who we 2025-2027 A renewal of faith, story, and witness for staff and Annual Staff Feedback Survey Whole staff are, where we have come from, and where students connecting with the deeper history and story of showing greater understanding **Not Commenced** we are going. We draw strength from our Sacred Heart School and the Sisters of St Joseph. and engagement with Parish Leadership Team Catholic faith and live as witnesses to the community and the faith story Gospel of Jesus. Development and greater recognition of Faction Feast of Sacred Heart School. Student Christian Ministry body Days and Sacred Heart Feast Day; special significant days **Progressing** Display of Gospel values that increase student knowledge of the Saints associated Madeline Clear, Kathryn Buller, Juliette 1.1 Catholic Identity is the lived expression of our Vision with their factions. banners/shields in undercover and Mission We commit to: the Catholic Church's objectives for Catholic Creation of visual banners/shields showcasing the Gospel b. the integration of faith, life and culture. values of Sacred Heart School, continuation of values Faith, Story, and Witness providing abundant and meaningful opportunities for cards. Engagement in local artist Madelaine Clear and the program used in induction of catechesis through the Word, worship, prayer, Sisters of St Joseph of the Sacred Heart/Apparition to visit new staff. retreats, service and community. **Achieved** and provide insight. f. displaying meaningful and distinctly Catholic icons Staff Faith and Formation and symbols which are visible in both internal and In collaboration with regional schools, staff will engage in Retreat post-survey feedback external environments. annual high-quality staff faith and formation retreats that focus on authentic and meaningful faith formation. At Sacred Heart School, we reflect on how Yearly whole-staff review of Religious Education Leadership team and staff Consistent or increase of 2025-2027 our students engage in the Religious **Not Commenced** Assessment data performance in the Religious **Education Curriculum and seek to improve** CEWA RE team Education assessment. the knowledge and application of faith Engagement with CEWA Faith and Formation team Fr Stephen experiences of our community. providing Professional Development centered around Accurate delivery of CEWA-**Progressing** updated Religious Education Curriculum. approved Religious Education Programs. Greater staff 2.2 Religious Education We commit to provide every student 247 Ministries Termly review of Religious Education programs capacity to engage in faith with high quality Religious Education. This requires active promotion and appropriate resourcing of Religious Education formation experiences. ensuring appropriate content is applied. as the first learning area in every Catholic school, implementing the program promulgated by the Diocesan Bishon. **Achieved** Installation of Year 3,4, and 6 Class Retreats prior to each Sacraments allowing for greater exposure and understanding of Sacraments. **EDUCATION Key Improvement Goals - drawn Relevant Actions Success Indicators** Responsibility **Timeline Progress** from Strategic Intents At Sacred Heart School, we are informed by Audit and collation of all school data sources determining Staff familiar and confident Leadership team and curriculum 2025-2027 relevant and impactful data that drives use and impact on student learning. with Learning Insights, Student leader **Not Commenced** student learning and frames student-centered Learning Journey and OARS learning experiences that are targeted and Further Staff Professional Development on school data platforms measurable. We regularly review and analyse platforms, analysis of NAPLAN/OARS data trends, and **Progressing** data sources aiming to constantly improve graphical display of individual student tracking data. education outcomes for students. Increase in teacher capability in Development of clusters and cluster leaders providing analysing and using data to opportunities for staff to provide insight into student improve student outcomes 2.3 Catholic Vision for Learning Achieved progress. Accelerated individual student d utilise a wide instructional range that reflects contemporary pedagogies that engage, challenge and

progress student learning; and e ensures all aspects of the learning environment scaffold and accelerate each student's learning.	Development of 3-year ICT school growth plan incorporating new devices, professional development, staff showcases, and development of a school ICT leader.  Attendance of Education Assistant's at EA conferences each year.	data growth  Competent and visible use of meaningful technology in lesson				
At Sacred Heart School, we strive to embody John Hattie's, 'Collective Teacher Efficacy'. We operate as a unified body, aiming to be aligned in practices, pedagogies and processes for greater impact and wellbeing of all.	Engagement in CEWA ECE team to create a Vision for ECE Learning document outlining best-practices, pedagogies and procedures in the ECE space.  ECE Road Trips each semester to nearby schools based on CEWA's 5 teacher practices and aligned with ECE vision for learning.  Development of ECE Leader enacting goals set out in the ECE Vision for learning	Development of Sacred Heart School ECE Vision document Completed NQS reflection tool Regular cluster meetings	Leadership team and ECE leader Whole staff Education Assistants	2025-2027	Not Commenced  Progressing	
2.3 Catholic Vision for Learning  a. foster Christ-like healthy and respectful relationships between students and staff members, enabling all to learn and grow in the image of God.  b encourages and facilitate student engagement;	Analysis of whole-school PLD spelling data through cluster networks Implementation of 360-degree individualised teacher improvement plan				Achieved	

		COMMUNITY				
Key Improvement Goals - drawn from Strategic Intents  Performance & development goal to be achieved (stated simply).  At Sacred Heart School, we are not an island. We collaborate with local community organisations and other CEWA schools to enhance the collective contributions of others for the betterment of our students.	Relevant Actions  What actions will we take to achieve the goal?  To improve teacher efficacy in creating valid and timely assessments, analysing and evaluating student work samples, understanding and applying SCSA's Judging Standards, and moderating between similar peers to make education decisions, Sacred Heart School will seek to collaborate with nearby schools and their staff to utilize our collective power. This will involve combined workshops, combined Professional Development, school visits, and engagement in shared practices.  To develop common Early Childhood Education philosophies, practices and pedagogies, Sacred Heart School staff will be provided with experiences, opportunities and professional development to enhance and unite their understanding of this area. This will include workshops with CEWA's Early Childhood Team, exposure to high-performing and evidence-based practices through ECE road trips, promotion of staff to ECE leadership positions, attendance at ECE conferences and courses, and the creation of ECE Vision for Learning where ECE staff have a clear and present voice in the direction of the area.  Continuation of Sacred Heart School Wellbeing team, conducting staff well-being audit developing actionable goals, analysis of student URSTRONG data.	Success Indicators  How will we know we have been successful? What process and outcome data will we measure?  Regular workshops with regional schools drawing on the collaborative model established in 2025.  Greater staff confidence in generating quality assessments and accurate analysis and reporting, clear use of SCSA Judging standards.  Creation of ECE Vision for Learning Document  Feedback and classroom-based implementation of learning.  Clear acknowledgment of ECE voice in all decisions  Refurbishment of ECE	Responsibility Who is the staff member who will lead the strategy?  Jacki Tucker and Ryan Powel (SSC) Michelle P and Wendy Manners (CEWA ECE team) Chanelle, Louise, Marsha and?? (SHS ECE Team) SHS Leadership team	Timeline  Timeframe within which the key improvement goal will be achieved  2025-2027	Progress  How are you tracking? commenced, Progressing, A  Not Commenced  Progressing  Achieved	
At Sacred Heart School, we are a multicultural community that draws on the strengths of our diversity and uniqueness. We celebrate and honour First Nations people and draw on the strengths of the many cultures within our community.	At Sacred Heart School, all staff will complete a self-reflection exercise based on AITSL's Professional Standards focusing on standards 1.4 (Strategies for teaching Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander students) and 2.4 (Understand and respect Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people to promote reconciliation between Indigenous and non-indigenous Australians)  All staff commence CEWA's Cultural Competency Matrix	AITSL Self-reflection tool completed and used in annual teacher performance reviews.  All staff completed Cultural Competency Matrix	Sharna Palmer  All staff  Tony Fyfe	2025-2027	Not Commenced  Progressing	
3.1 Catholic Pastoral Communities  d Transforming Lives: we recognise Aboriginal people as the custodians of the land and as a priority, commit to providing educational opportunities to Aboriginal children to enable them to reach their full potential with a strong sense of identity and agency. We demonstrate respect for Aboriginal culture and traditions.	Journey and attend Professional Development led by Sharna Palmer (CEWA Aboriginal Consultant) to ensure all voices Initially through Faith, Story and Witness and HASS, and then through our broader student body, we will explore connections with local Aboriginal history seeking to incorporate cultural experiences for students promoting empathy and understanding.  As a community, we will recognize and celebrate Harmony Week in a more visual way, acknowledging the strengths of diversity and multiculturalism of our community in a positive and visible way.	PD with Sharna Palmer  Local student excursions  Harmony Week Celebrations	Leadership team		Achieved	

STEWARDSHIP						
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At Sacred Heart School, we offer a wide range of interactive and engaging environments for students in all year levels to play and learn. We incorporate authentic	Refurbishment of ECE Classrooms into modern, interactive, and engaging places of learning	Student voice evident through projects  Play spaces are inviting,	Students P&F Committee	2026-2027	Not Commenced	
student voice and seek to develop student responsibility and pride in Sacred Heart School	Development playground spaces: Bike track, mud kitchen, Senior nature play, water fountains  Development of whole-school recycling centre with Laudato Si focus	, engaging and interactive	Leadership team		Progressing	
4. 2 Natural Environment We commit to fulfilling and promoting Christian responsibility for care of the Earth as our common home.	Edddalo 3i locus				Achieved	
At Sacred Heart School, we strive to be accessible and affordable to families of all socio-economic backgrounds catering	Collaborate with CEWA marketing team to create 26/27 marketing strategy document	Maintain or increase enrolment numbers			Not Commenced	
4.3 Finance, Infrastructure and Compliance We ensure that all Catholic schools and offices: a are appropriately resourced, financially sustainable, accessible and affordable, especially for the marginalised and disadvantaged;	Employment of Catholic graduate staff where possible  Continuation of building of relationships with feeder high schools,	Greater recognition an involvement in local community events and organisations (Darlington Arts			Progressing	
	Where possible, keeping school fees accessible providing point of difference compared to local feepaying schools	Festival, Yallambee Aged Car)  SHS attendance at feeder high school musicals, year 4 experiences days, open nights  Booklist savings for parents			Achieved	

### **Ongoing Monitoring and Reflection**

### Record any key milestones that recognise attainment and/or changes in strategy

(This can include achievement of Improvement Goals, changes to Formation for Mission goals, modifications to Strategic Intents and/or any other important school improvement strategies)

Date	Progress, notes and key points
Term 1, 2024	Introduction of Lunchtime Clubs (Chess, Coding, Robotics, Craft, Sewing and Ukelele) to provide creative and social experiences for students
Term 2, 2024	Introduction of school choir, EduDance and Running Club providing physical and uplifting experiences for students
Term 2, 2024	Beginning of SHS marketing campaign including promotional video, advertising banners, and social media presence
Term 3, 2024	Refurbishment of ICT Room into a STEM Lab providing a creative and innovative space for student learning. Installation of Fairy Garden providing imaginative play space for students.
Term 1, 2025	Introduction of whole-school PLD Spelling Program
Term 3, 2025	Review of emergency procedures, incident management, WHS protocols, maintenance plan
Term 3, 2025	Combined Staff Faith and Formation Day
Term 4, 2025	ECE Philosophy completed
2026	Transition staff devices from HP's to Macs moving to a single Apple Ecosystem
2026	Whole school Numeracy focus
2026	Expanded MiniLit intervention program for students in Years 1-3

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