



St Joseph's Primary School

*Principal's Report
February 17th 2022*

It is such a privilege to be a part of the St Joseph's school community. I am grateful for the opportunity to work with you and to get to know the learners at St Joseph's.

I am committed to being visible and to maintain a high level of communication. I look forward to working with all families to determine the preferred method of communication, as this looks different for all families.

We have been back at school for almost three weeks and so much has been achieved in this time:

Catholic Identity:

- A team has been formed with the goal to expand the relationship between school and parish. Lauren and Fran will be valuable as they share traditions of our school with me. They will share attendance at the Catholic Identity network days
- All classrooms pray regularly. The prayer space they set up at the beginning of each day shows the importance of prayer in each classroom, and how it is used as a reflective space for learners to be ready for the day

Pastoral Wellbeing:

- A Behaviour Support Team has been established. The intention of this team is to improve the wellbeing practices and social emotional learning of all learners and families
- Our partnership with REDHS concluded at the end of 2022. We are looking to employ a Chaplain and are working with other local Catholic schools to find a suitable Chaplain
- We are working closely with Catholic Education Sandhurst to review the Student Behaviour Framework and strengthen the capacity of all staff to support all learners

Teaching and Learning:

- We welcomed Yvette Lupa as the Grade 5/6 teacher and Emily Holmes in Grade 3/4
- Elara Bowald started as a Learning Support Officer in Week 3. We now have 5 LSO staff working 5 days a week
- Foundation learners are enjoying a REST Day each Wednesday. We are grateful to all foundation families for supporting us as we work through the assessment schedule every Wednesday

Leadership:

- It's been a big few weeks. Learning the WHY of the school, staff and learners
- All Catholic Education Sandhurst events have been moved online for the next few weeks
- Student Leadership is a passion of mine and I will be working with the Grade 6 learners in this space

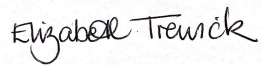
Stewardship of Resources:

- Building works are moving forward with the anticipated completion date to be the end of June. We are working on July/August as we all know that there will be hold-ups along the way
- The working bee was attended well and everything on my list (and some) was done. We have another one planned for Friday 25th February to finish a couple of tasks (moving rocks, lifting tree branches)

Thank you for your welcome. I look forward to getting to know and working with all of you.

Thanks especially for your support and cooperation as we work together to keep our learners, staff and families well.

Please don't hesitate to contact me if you need anything.

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