

PRINCIPAL'S REPORT TO PARISH SAC – NOVEMBER 2024

LEADERSHIP & MANAGEMENT

- 2025 Planning is well underway:
 - A Literacy Leader and eight homegroup teachers have been employed for next year.
 - At this stage 2025 enrolment numbers are projected to be 585 students. We will have 25 classes including 4 prep classes.
- MACSSIS Survey data has been returned and identifies areas of strength and future areas of focus. The Staff data reports Overall School Positive Endorsement percentage of 73% up 5% from 2023 and above the MACS average of 68%.

EDUCATION IN FAITH

- Staff are preparing for the season of Advent with professional learning led by Pauline Cicutto from MACS
- School liturgical celebrations for this term include weekly Parish Mass, All Saints and All Souls day, Remembrance day and Advent
- Our RE Student Action team is preparing our Advent Social Justice Actions for St Vincent DePaul.

LEARNING & TEACHING

- Assessment & Reporting - staff are working on report comments and progression reports for our Semester 2 reporting.
- Learning Conversations were held last week and were well attended
- This term extracurricular activities include:
 - Interschool sports - Yr 3&4 Soccer, Year 5 & 6 Tennis, Year 6 Boys Cricket, Regional Athletics
 - Excursions 7 Incursion: Prep Billy Cart Incursion, Year 1 Farm Excursion, Year 3 Swimming, Year 4 Science Incursion, Year 5 Parliamentary Incursion and Leadership Day
 - Year 5 Camp at Don Bosco Camp Dromana
 - Year 4, 5 & 6 Bike Ed
 - Year 6 Big Day Out
- Whole school assessment data is being collected in Maths and Literacy. We are seeing very pleasing progress across the school.
- On Monday 2nd December staff will gather for our 2025 Planning Day to set the focus for learning and teaching in 2025 in line with our learning in Cognitive Sciences.

STUDENT WELL BEING

- Teachers have begun the complex task of creating the 2025 class lists. Teachers are using class solver to compile academic, behavioural and social needs of students to create these lists.
- Our School Wide Positive behaviour focus this Term is the M in the FARM Code - Make Good Choices. Principal's Reward has returned as an incentive for the end of the school year.
- MACSIS School Improvement Survey Student data has the Overall School Positive Endorsement percentage of 62%. This has been a consistent result from the last 3 years and in line with the MACS average.

SCHOOL COMMUNITY

- On Sunday we host the BBQ at Bunnings. This fundraiser will help offset the costs of our 2025 fair.
- Our 'Pathway to Prep' Program continues this term with Parent Information Evening, Prep Play Dates and Orientation session.
- We look forward to ending the 2025 school year with community events including Christmas Carols, Graduation and End of Year Liturgy and Assembly.
- MACSIS School Improvement Survey Family data has the Overall School Positive Endorsement percentage of 67%, the MACS average is 69%. 35 families completed the survey from 300 distributed.

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