

## ST CATHERINE'S SCHOOL PERFORMANCE REPORT 2017

This report is a requirement of the Commonwealth Government as outlined in the *Schools Assistance Act 2009*.

### Contextual Information

St Catherine's School, Stirling is situated in the picturesque Adelaide Hills. The school was founded by the Dominican sisters and promotes excellence in every dimension of a child's life, with special emphasis on the faith formation of students and their families in the Catholic tradition. St Catherine's School caters for students in Reception to Year 7. We endeavour to develop rich, contemporary learning environments that are personalised, relevant and challenging. The school has a strong arts programme, playgroup and OSHC service, along with a committed and supportive parent community. Specialist areas include Physical Education, Italian and an active Music programme. We respect and care for our earth and acknowledge that we are all called to be ecological leaders. The environment and sustainability are areas of focus in our school. St Catherine's has a three pond wetland system which the students manage through planting, weeding and mulching. We have a permaculture garden, water tanks, bokashi composting bins, solar panels and worm farms. The ICSEA score for St Catherine's is 116. St Catherine's strength lies in the evidence of enriched learning experiences for children. It is highlighted by the fellowship achieved in a small, happy, enthusiastic school community where we have the opportunity to develop close and lasting friendships. Informed by our Dominican heritage, we are hope-filled and futures-focussed.

<b>SES</b>	115
<b>School Type</b>	Primary Catholic School
<b>Location</b>	22 Ayers Hill Road, Stirling
<b>Year Range</b>	R-7
<b>Total FTE Enrolments August 2017</b>	221
<b>% Indigenous Enrolments</b>	0.0%
<b>% Students With Disabilities</b>	2.26%
<b>Teaching Staff Numbers</b>	16 ( 7 part-time)
<b>FTE Teaching Staff Numbers</b>	12.1
<b>Non-Teaching Staff Numbers</b>	8 (8 part-time)
<b>FTE Non-Teaching Staff Numbers</b>	3.89

Enrolments Each Year Level –									
Year	R	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6	Year 7	Total
<b>Boys</b>	14	11	16	19	16	10	9	5	100
<b>Girls</b>	17	20	15	12	11	16	18	12	121
<b>Total</b>	<b>31</b>	<b>31</b>	<b>31</b>	<b>31</b>	<b>27</b>	<b>26</b>	<b>27</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>221</b>

### Staff Qualifications

In our school we are fortunate to have a number of teachers with two or more qualifications in education. In addition to the formal qualifications listed below, all staff undergo training in Mandatory Notification and First Aid.

Qualification	
<b>Masters Degree</b>	13%
<b>Bachelor Degree</b>	94%
<b>Graduate Certificate</b>	19%
<b>Diploma</b>	21%

## Professional Engagement

<b>Teaching staff</b>	<b>16</b>
Full-time equivalent teaching staff	12.1
<b>Non-teaching staff</b>	<b>8</b>
Full-time equivalent non-teaching staff	3.89
<b>Indigenous Staff</b>	<b>0</b>

## Staff Attendance

Teaching staff attendance for the 2017 school year was 96% and our teachers took sick leave, carer's leave and bereavement leave, as is their industrial entitlement.

## Staff Retention

In Term 1 2017, 98% of our teaching staff was retained from the beginning of the previous program year. We celebrate the expertise, talent and commitment that our new staff members bring to the community.

## Expenditure and Teacher Participation in Professional Learning

In 2017 there has been 100% participation by the teaching staff in professional learning. There was a wide range of significant professional learning involving the whole school, Learning Areas and individual teaching staff. As the school community has been informed of many of these throughout 2017. Catholic Education SA provides professional development and consultancy services for all Catholic Education SA schools. Our teaching staff have been involved in rich research projects supported by Catholic Education SA Consultants and this has been welcomed by the staff at St Catherine's.

Professional Activity	Teachers involved	Total days
Restorative Practice	17	4
Office 365	14	2
Office 365 training	2	2
Office 365 Teaching Staff	14	1
Green Screen	16	1
Godly Play	12	1
STEM	2	4
Numeracy	16	4
Clickview	1	1
Sustainability	2	1
Literacy	6	2
Cognitive Coaching	1	8
Ignatian Examen		2
Spirituality		1
Accelerus		2
Naplan Online		3
Nature Play		1
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As well as the above individual Professional Development which the staff undertook, the whole school staff also participated in a number of activities which occurred during Pupil Free Days and during Staff Meetings. These were as follows:

Activity	No. staff participating	No. staff completed course
First Aid – Senior	1	1
School Drills - Fire / Chemical Evacuation Drill	All	All
School Drills – 2 x Bush Fire drill	All	All
School Drills – Lockdown drill	All	All
Equal opportunity	4	4
Manual handling	18	18

An annual review is undertaken with all staff to improve our structures, processes, curriculum and administration of the school at the end of each school year.

Each staff member participated in their annual review discussion with the Principal in Term 1 & 4.

## SCHOOL INCOME

Government – State	\$288,389
Government – Commonwealth	\$1,442,721
Government – Other	\$26,190
Tuition Fees & Compulsory Charges	\$734,259
Donations and Building Fund	\$88,554
Interest & Rent	\$10,813
Other	\$324,118

## STUDENT ATTENDANCE

The average student attendance was 93.65%

(Term 1 = 95.11% Term 2 = 93.89% Term 3 = 91.10% Term 4 = 94.49%)

School attendance is monitored on a daily basis via the ceSIS program. For non-attendance parents are asked to either submit an advice via the SkoolBag app, or call the office before 9.30am to inform the school. If notification has not been received, the school will contact the parents to ascertain the students whereabouts. In consultation with staff, students who regularly do not attend school will have families contacted and a discussion takes place to determine the reasons for non-attendance. Appropriate measures are put in place where needed to try and ensure more regular attendance. In extreme cases contact is made with DECS support officers.

## NAPLAN 2017

Year 3	Mean		% of students achieved NMS
	Year 3 (2017)		
Component			
Reading	458.4		100%
Writing	420.4		97%
Spelling	420.2		97%
Grammar & punctuation	460.9		94%
Numeracy	409.3		100%

Year 5	Mean		% of students achieved NMS
	Year 3 (2015)	Year 5 (2017)	
Component			
Reading	537.1	550.4	100%
Writing	508.8	503	100%
Spelling	528.3	554.2	100%
Grammar & punctuation	531.7	542.9	96%
Numeracy	515.4	519.4	100%

Year 7	Mean		% of students achieved NMS
	Year 5 (2015)	Year 7 (2017)	
Component			
Reading	603.1	591.8	100%
Writing	592.3	558.5	100%
Spelling	572.2	578.6	94%
Grammar & punctuation	605.2	573.6	100%
Numeracy	555.5	587.8	100%

## POST SCHOOL DESTINATIONS

17 graduating Year 7 students transferred as follows:

- 2 to Cabra Dominican College
- 10 to Mercedes College
- 2 to Glenunga High School
- 2 to Hills Christian College
- 1 to Pultney Grammar

## PARENT/TEACHER/ STUDENT SATISFACTION

	Areas doing well	Areas for further development
RELIGIOUS	Family Masses Sacraments Inclusion of all religions Fortnightly Masses	Whole School Masses Masses at the Parish
EDUCATIONAL	Curriculum thorough Cater for all needs Specialist programs are outstanding Inclusive of special needs Environmental Ed	Restorative Practice Class sizes Gifted and Talented Program STEM Intervention programs
COMMUNITY	Parental involvement Welcoming new families Kindy / school relationships Strong P&F involvement Skoolbag notifications	Outreach to local organisations More working bees Open days Class Reps
ADMINISTRATION	Newsletters informative Skoolbag / QKR Term calendars	

**VALUES ADDED**

<p><b>Performing Arts</b></p>	<p>School concert Choir Instrumental evening</p>
<p><b>Community of Faith</b></p>	<p>Good relationship with Parish Sacraments Family Masses Parish Picnic</p>
<p><b>Co-Curricular</b></p>	<p>Chess Forever Green Kids on the Case Glee Club Leadership Conference Peer Mediators</p>
<p><b>Sporting Events</b></p>	<p>SAPSASA carnivals : Athletics, swimming, netball, football SACPSSA carnivals : Athletics, swimming, netball, handball T20 Blast cricket Milo Cricket Net Set Go Hot Shot Tennis Cross Country carnival Handball Soccer</p>
<p><b>Surveys</b></p>	<p>P &amp; F Survey Fundraising Survey Uniform Survey ICT Survey</p>