



Vision and Mission Statement

OUR VISION

With Jesus in our heart and in the spirit of St Catherine of Siena we aspire to be a community of love and courage where learning and harmony flourish.

“Be who God meant you to be and you will set the world on fire”

OUR MISSION

As a highly effective and learning progressive Catholic school, we provide:

- A culture where every student is welcome to come close to Jesus
- A culture of excellence where every student learns at high levels
- A culture of extraordinary care where every student is known and advocated for
- A culture of possibilities where every student personalises their learning
- A culture of deep partnerships with students, families and community to enhance learning

BELIEFS ABOUT LEARNING AND TEACHING

Arising from this Vision and Mission Statement, we believe that Learning and Teaching practice at Siena Catholic Primary School will:

1. Embody the traditions and values of the mission of the Catholic school and be centred on relationships within the learning community
2. Be underpinned by ensuring the best progress of all learners with the expectation that all students will succeed
3. Reflect what is valued and important by specifying the essential knowledge, skills and behaviours in a core curriculum accessible to all students
4. Reflect democratic principals
5. Extend students to higher levels of knowledge, understanding and functioning
6. Enable students to develop deep understandings about the world and how it works and to operate effectively in that world with specific consideration for learning about environmental sustainability
7. Build capacity for lifelong learning
8. Engage students in multiple perspectives, valuing and responding to diversity and difference

9. Recognise and value the rich and diverse experiences, perspectives and interests of the learner
10. Focus on creating flexible learning opportunities in which learning is differentiated in response to varied learning styles and is co-constructed
11. Engage learners in creating new knowledge and understanding by thinking and working creatively, exploring and experimenting, planning and reflecting, and communicating and collaborating
12. Build relationships within and beyond the classroom to create learning opportunities in diverse environments
13. Involve the appropriate and ethical use of contemporary technologies and resources that enable and transform learning
14. Ensure that the school operates as a Child Safe School

ENACTMENT OF PHILOSOPHY

The core purpose of Siena Catholic Primary School is to provide an inclusive, rigorous learning environment that challenges and engages young people to grow as passionate learners.

Siena Catholic Primary School will:

1. seeks to develop motivated, creative, and independent learners
2. Develop our young people to have strong social values whose leadership, resilience and self-esteem is evident when interacting with the community.
3. Actively believe in and develop the knowledge that every child is important, valued and that all have something special to contribute to life.
4. Recognise that each child has the right to live happily and achieve fullness of life with God – and to grow and learn in a community where Christian values are taught and modelled daily.
5. Ensure our Integrated Curriculum is based around the concept of Inquiry Learning.
6. Ensure the school maintains a structured approach to curriculum planning and review that ensures a shared vision within the school on curriculum development, common documentation and common understanding of the whole-school curriculum by teachers and parents.