Principal’s Foreword

Introduction

St Anthony’s is a systemic Catholic primary school. Our tradition lies with the spirit of St Francis, St Anthony and St Clare. St Anthony’s school enjoys a unique arrangement that includes Padua College (Boys Years 5-12) and Mt Alvernia College (Girls Years 8-12). Together the three schools exist as an educational entity that is known in the local area as FOTH (Franciscans on the Hill). St Anthony’s is a co-educational school from Prep to Year 4 with the girls continuing through from Years 5 to 7.

Our school’s unique Franciscan ethos ensures students are given quality education within this Franciscan tradition. St Anthony’s is a faith community where Gospel values are central to the life of the school. Relationships within our school community are based around our five Franciscan values of Respect, Shared Responsibility, Reverencing Creation, Contemplation and Joy.

The Franciscan Friars, Fr Stephen and Fr Joseph are regular visitors and supporters of the Religious Life of our School and many Franciscan Sisters assist in school activities.

Our overall school’s academic results indicate the commitment by staff and parents to support successful learning.

School Profile

St Anthony’s is a Catholic school administered through Catholic Education, Archdiocese of Brisbane.

Coeducational ☑ or Single Sex ☐

Year levels offered: Primary ☑ Secondary ☐ P-12 ☐

Total student enrolments for this school 678

Total Enrolment 678 Girls 397 Boys 281
Characteristics of the student body

The student body at St Anthony’s consists of boys from prep to year 4 and girls from prep to year 7 with a small number of students with disabilities. Many families come from the local area and are of Italian descent. Our school is also a city worker drop off and the "Before and After School Care" supports working parents. We have great relationships with Mt Alvernia College and Padua College with the majority of our students enrolling later in these two schools. Many of our students have older siblings attending Mt Alvernia and Padua and our school has developed a collaborative five year strategic plan with both colleges.

Our distinctive curriculum offerings

Religious Education Program - integrated units of work developed by staff in keeping with Brisbane Catholic education guidelines
- Dance/Drama
- Physical Education and Sporting program
- Perceptual Motor Development Program
- Music
- LOTE – Italian
- Ubuntu (togetherness) - vertical group learning activities led by senior students
- Better Buddy Program
Extra curricula activities

Students at St Anthony's are offered many distinctive curriculum, sporting and cultural offerings that enhances life long learning:

- Instrumental Music Program - FCIP Franciscan Colleges Instrumental Program (Band, Strings, Choirs - Junior and Senior, Percussion, Music Camp
- Junior and Senior Choir
- Touch
- Netball
- Outdoor Education

How Information and Communication Technologies are used to assist learning

All classes have access to interactive multimedia facilities: data projectors, big screen, DVD player, TV, CD player, digital cameras, flip video and mimios. These tools are used to integrate and facilitate learning across all subject areas. Wireless internet access is available throughout the school and students have access to laptop computers to engage in online learning activities. The school has a strategic ICLT plan, ICLT committee, part time ICLT coordinator and technician to support the learning process within the school.

Social climate inclusive of pastoral care and our response to bullying

St Anthony’s is a faith community in the Franciscan tradition. We value partnerships, between home, school and the wider community. Parents and members of the community are encouraged to be a part of their children’s education in whatever capacity that they can. St Anthony’s has an active Pastoral Care Program that reaches out in welcome, shows hospitality and provides care for all in our community. Community covenants (classroom, teacher and parent) built around the five Franciscan values provide a touchstone for living that support a positive school environment. Student Ubuntu (togetherness) time led each Monday afternoon by our student leaders encourages leadership and positive student relationships. It is a time when the whole school focuses on the shared learning of our Franciscan values. We respond immediately to any situations of bullying by following our "Being Safe/Feeling Safe policy as outlined in our Parent Handbook that is available on our school webpage.
We have an active P&F that supports the work of the school and organises family and social events that build positive relationships.
Parent, student and teacher satisfaction with the school

The following comments are extracts from the External School Review Report – Brisbane Catholic Education, 18th August, 2010. This extensive review occurs every 5 years.

“The school enjoys a committed and generous parent body that is extremely supportive of the school and is an integral part of school life. Student leaders are articulate, actively involved in the life of the school and provide strong student voice.

This school is well regarded and valued in the local community making it a school of choice for many and resulting in strong enrolment pressure. This high regard is also evidenced in the valuable community links that continue to be developed and strengthened through the school’s presence at and involvement in parish and community events.”

Parent involvement in their child’s education


Different Pastoral Care Parents for each class group organise social gathering for parents to enable them to make friendships to support their children in the school community.

Staff Profile

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Qualifications of all teachers

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Expenditure on and teacher participation in Professional Learning

The total funds expended on teacher professional learning in 2013 was $35,000.

The major professional development initiatives were as follows:

Religious Education - Australian Franciscan Schools Conference
Sunshine Coast
QSA Annual Conference Brisbane
Australian Primary Principals Conference
Naplan Workshops
First Steps Writing
Brisbane Catholic Education North Service Centre Workshops
SPELD Association Workshops

School Income by Funding Source

School income broken down by funding source is available via the My School website at http://www.myschool.edu.au/.

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School financial information is available by selecting ‘School finances’ in the menu box in the top left corner of the school’s entry web page.

Average staff attendance rate

The staff attendance rate was 96.77% in 2013.

Proportion of staff retained from the previous school year

From the end of the 2012 school year, 97% of staff were retained by the school for the 2013 year.

Key Student Outcomes

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Policy and practice to manage student attendance

The process is outlined in the Parent Handbook which is published on the school website. All parents follow this process. If not class teachers remind parents of the process and a letter is sent in the next day explaining about the child’s absence from school.

Absences from School

Should your child be absent from school on any occasion, it is the school’s policy that the parent/guardian phones (phone 3357 6185) the school on the morning of the day in question. In addition, a letter of explanation should be given to the class teacher when the child returns to school.

If parents are going to take their child out of school during the school term, they submit a letter of request to the school principal.

Student Achievement – NAPLAN for Years 3, 5, 7

National Assessment Program – Literacy and Numeracy (NAPLAN) results – our reading writing, spelling, grammar and punctuation, and numeracy results for the relevant years.

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