

Contextual Information

St. Joseph's School, a Catholic co-educational primary school catering currently for approximately 160 students, both Aboriginal and Non-Aboriginal, from Kindergarten to Year 6, serving the Parish Community of St. Vincent Pallotti. The school provides a caring environment in which the dignity of each person is nurtured through knowledge and understanding of self, respect of cultural heritage and the love of God. The school is located in the North-East town of Kununurra in the East Kimberley region. The school's curriculum endeavours to cater for all students as we encourage tolerance, reconciliation and respect for others. Throughout the school we provide a range of programs, including Reading Recovery, Literacy and Numeracy support. Our Specialist Subjects include Environmental Education, Performing Arts and Physical Education. We continue to be actively involved in the Stephanie Alexander Kitchen Garden Project and are committed educating students in matters concerning our environment. We aim to engage staff and the whole community, working together to create an environment of collaboration and feedback.

QUALIFICATIONS OF TEACHING STAFF 2017

Below is a summary of the teaching qualifications held by the 2017 teaching staff at St Joseph's School 2016.

Number of Teachers who hold a Diploma Degree:	1
Number of Teachers who hold a Bachelor Degree:	11
Number of Teachers who hold a Masters Degree:	1
Number of Teachers who hold more than two Masters Degrees:	0

WORKFORCE COMPOSITION 2017

Below is a summary of the workforce composition at St Joseph's School 2016

• Teaching staff	12
• Full-time equivalent teaching staff	11.4
• Non-teaching staff	14
• Full-time equivalent non-teaching staff	10
• Indigenous staff members	8

STUDENT ATTENDANCE 2017

Student attendance	The overall attendance percentage for students in Kindergarten through to Yr 6 was 70.82% for the 2017 school year.
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St Joseph's School uses the following procedures to manage non-attendance:

1. Parents are asked to contact the school by phone or email if their child is absent on that day.
2. Parents are requested to send in a written note to acknowledge the days that their child was absent.
3. School bus service to local communities and town families.
4. Aboriginal Teacher Assistants visited homes on a regular basis to encourage attendance.
5. Breakfast program for children.
6. SMS messages are sent to parents asking for an explanation as to why their child/ren are not at school.

STUDENT OUTCOMES IN NATIONAL LITERACY AND NUMBERACY TESTING

The table below shows the average NAPLAN scores for each domain in 2017. The table displays both the average score of students of St Joseph's School and students from statistically similar Australian schools.

Year	NAPLAN Test	Average NAPLAN Score St. Joseph's Primary School	Average NAPLAN Score for Statistically Similar Schools
3	Reading	340	344
	Spelling	325	349
	Writing	310	344
	Grammar & Punctuation	327	342
	Numeracy	307	342
5	Reading	483	433
	Spelling	430	412
	Writing	454	439
	Grammar & Punctuation	456	417
	Numeracy	443	431

Post-school destinations

Below are the destinations of the students who graduated from St Joseph's School in 2017. Each of the 8 Year 6 students went to the local District High School.