



St Joseph's Primary School

Kununurra

Australian Government Compliance Requirements

CONTEXTUAL INFORMATION

St Joseph's Primary School is a Catholic co-educational school comprised of approximately 230 students from Kindy to Year 7. Our school is part of the Parish of St Vincent Pallotti. The school is located in the East Kimberley regional town of Kununurra.

As a school we strive to develop the whole person within an environment that encourages tolerance and respect for self and others. We offer, with the support of the Parish, a complete sacramental programme, incorporating the sacraments of Reconciliation, First Eucharist and Confirmation.

St Joseph's 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. Pastoral care strategies are a focus at St Joseph's School. The school's curriculum endeavours to cater for all students as we encourage tolerance, reconciliation and respect for others. We provide a range of programs throughout the school, which include Reading Recovery, Literacy and Numeracy support, Music, ICT (Technology) and Blue Earth. Parent and community involvement is valued and encouraged at St Joseph's School.

Integral to the success of our school is the strong working partnership between our Aboriginal Teaching Assistants, Teacher Assistants and the classroom teachers. With many of our students being ESL learners, small group and individual tuition aimed at exploring Literacy and Numeracy in focused sessions that take into account different learning styles are promoted.

Our Kindy students attend school 3 days per week with a total of 18 hours contact time.

TEACHER QUALIFICATIONS

All teachers are registered with the Teacher's Registration Board of Western Australia and hold the following teaching qualifications:

Teaching Qualifications of Staff	Number
Diploma in Teaching	1
Bachelor of Education	14
Master of Education	2

WORKFORCE COMPOSTION

	Total		Indigenous/ATSI	
	Full Time	Part Time	Full Time	Part Time
Teaching Staff	11	4	0	1
Non-teaching Staff	8	9	5	4

STUDENT ATTENDANCE

Our students attended school on average 75% of the time in 2013 whether students were living in or out of the Community. This figure includes students who were out of the Community and possibly attending other schools and who may be attending Funerals and "Sorry Time".

The percentage rate for attendance for each compulsory year level is listed in the table below.

Class	Percentage Rate for Attendance
Year 1	81
Year 2	62
Year 3	76
Year 4	72
Year 5	80
Year 6	70
Year 7	86

Non-attendance Management:

Where necessary, families are contacted to explain poor attendance and promote school attendance. St Joseph's School has a Student well Being Officer. It is a part of her duties to visit students and collect them, where appropriate, for school. Our Aboriginal Teacher Assistants visit families to promote school attendance.

2013 NAPLAN RESULTS

Percentage of students at, or above, national minimum standards were as follows:

2013	Reading	Writing	Numeracy	Spelling	Grammar & Punctuation
Year 3	79	79	79	66	83
Year 5	100	87	100	93	93
Year 7	83	81	90	73	64










These results show a percentage increase or decrease from 2012

2012	Reading	Writing	Numeracy	Spelling	Grammar & Punctuation
Year 3	+18	-7	+20	-2	+15
Year 5	+20	-20	-26	+26	+33
Year 7	-9	-19	+7	-1	-21

PARENT, STUDENT AND STAFF SATISFACTION

The parents, students and staff are given opportunities to be involved in the life of St Joseph's Primary School and the wider St Vincent Pallotti Parish. We have many facilities that enhance family interactions and outdoor activities including large, shaded, grassed areas, undercover areas and a sports oval.

Our School Board and Parents & Friends Association meet regularly to endeavour to provide a range of resources for our school and to promote a sense of community for our school. Parents, students and staff have been involved in a number of activities including the following:

-  Whole school masses and class liturgies
-  Assemblies
-  Canteen
-  Caritas fundraising projects
-  Fun Run
-  Family BBQs
-  Sports days (Carnivals, interschool sports, after school active sports)
-  Parents & Friends Meetings
-  Board Meetings

POST SCHOOL DESTINATIONS

After leaving St Joseph's Primary School our students went to:

- Kununurra District High School
- Clontarf Aboriginal College
- CAPS – Coolgardie

SCHOOL INCOME

For information regarding the school's income please go to:

<http://www.myschool.edu.au>