BROAD STRATEGIC AREA
Mission and Religious Education

Strategic Goals for 2012

We intend to:

- Develop the Religious Life of the School by way of religious iconography and improvement in the physical environment that reflects the school’s Charism, vision and mission.
- Develop the Religious Life of the School by nurturing the prayer life of students and staff.
- Develop teachers’ understanding of Brisbane Catholic Education’s new Religion Curriculum.

Achievements for 2012

- Blessed and opened Penola Place (library), undercover area, 5 classrooms and prayer garden.
- Constructed the St Mary of the Cross MacKillop Prayer Garden.
- Staff participated in a spirituality day on prayer and mindfulness at Santa Teresa Spirituality Centre, Ormiston.
- Collated core content taught across the year levels for the School Religious Education Program.
- Students continued to participate in mindfulness and meditative prayer practices.
- Participated in successful fundraising activities for Caritas, Catholic Mission and St Vincent de Paul, Biggest Morning Tea and Books for PNG.
- Provided staff professional development on the Religious Life of the School focusing on the new Roman Missal.
- Involved students and staff in sacred singing.
- Provided opportunities for staff prayer.
- Prepared sacred spaces in the school e.g. school office foyer, classrooms.
- Participated in parish events e.g. sacramental program.
- Provided opportunities for students to participate in Prayer of the Church with Sr Kari
- Ritualised life events e.g. Grandparent’s day, Anzac Day, Biggest Morning Tea.
- Participated in local Anzac Day march and ceremony.
- Catholic Education Week activities with Our Lady’s and Villanova students.
- Ngutana-Lui Visitors attended NAIDOC Day celebrations.
Strategic Goals for 2012

We intend to:

- Develop a Vision for Learning and Teaching that reflects the school’s vision and mission and articulates a common set of beliefs and values about student learning.
- Plan, teach, assess and report using the new ACARA English Curriculum.
- Familiarize and trial aspects of the ACARA Mathematics, History and Science Curriculums.
- Plan learning sequences using the ACARA.
- Report student learning outcomes using Brisbane Catholic Education’s Student Reporting System.
- Implement the Reading to Learn program in Years 3 – 7 classrooms.
- Implement a Sensory Motor program in the Prep classes.
- Review the school’s behaviour management policy and procedures.

Achievements for 2012

- Developed the St Joachim’s School Vision for Learning and Teaching.
- Implemented the ACARA Learning Areas: History, English, Maths and Science.
- Implemented the Reading to Learn program in Years 3 – 7 classrooms.
- Reviewed the school’s behaviour management program and commenced the development of a new Schoolwide Positive Behaviour Support program.
- Participated in the UNSW competitions (self-nominated Years 3 – 7 students).
- Reported student learning using a new reporting system (SRS).
- Attended the Kids Connect ICLT Showcase (Year 5 students).
- Implemented enrichment initiatives e.g. Chess, Maths Olympiads, English extension.
- Year 5, 6 & 7 students attended camp at Wildeco Adventure Camp, located on the banks of the Ewen Maddock Dam, Sunshine Coast.
- Health and Physical Education:
  - Implemented the Learning Connections Program (sensory motor program) & Perceptual Motor Program in the Prep classes.
  - Inter-school Sport included netball and league tag.
  - Cross-country, swimming and athletics carnivals.
  - Handball, skipping and goal-a-thon competitions.
  - AFL and cricket clinics.
Strategic Goals for 2012

We intend to:

- Engage the school, parish and wider community in the School Blessing and Opening Ceremony.
- Develop individual Health Care Plans for students with specific medical needs.
- Engage the Pastoral School Board, P&F Executive, Parish Council and Brisbane Catholic Education Office in a discernment process to discuss the future school student enrolment population.

Achievements for 2012

- Blessed and opened Penola Place (library), undercover area, 5 classrooms and prayer garden.
- Liaised with Lay Pastoral Director and Chair of the Parish Council to develop a School Master Plan.
- Developed Individual Health Care Plans for students with specific medical needs.
- Engaged community in the consultative process to apply to BCE to increase the student enrolment intake from 1.5 streams to 2 streams.
- Successful and well-attended monthly Pastoral School Board and P&F meetings.
- Developed the St Joachim’s School Strategic Plan 2013 – 2016 in collaboration with the school staff and Pastoral School Board.
- Engaged staff and parents in the development of the 2013-2016 School Strategic Plan.
- Engaged an architect to develop the St Joachim’s School Master Facilities Plan.
- Held parent/community education evening regarding the nature and purpose of the Pastoral School Board.
- Combined staff meetings to share effective learning & teaching practices with local Catholic schools (St James’ & St Elizabeth’s).
Strategic Goals for 2012

We intend to:

- Develop the St Joachim’s School Master Plan that includes a comprehensive maintenance program.
- Develop St Joachim’s School Education Brief that articulates the shared values and beliefs across three phases of learning (Prep & Year 1, Years 2 & 3, Year 4 & Upper Primary).
- Develop the St Joachim's School Strategic Plan 2012 – 2016.

Achievements for 2012

- Developed the St Joachim’s School Strategic Plan 2013 – 2016.
- Purchased furniture and resources for two new classes in 2013 (Year 4 & 5).
- Maintained expenditure within the school’s annual budget.
- Completed and engaged staff and parents in the school’s internal cyclical review processes.
- Received approval from Brisbane Catholic Education Planning Advisory Committee to build a second purpose built Prep classroom during 2013.
- Successfully applied to Brisbane Catholic Education to increase the student enrolment intake from 1.5 streams to 2 streams.
- Purchased interactive whiteboard (1), iPads (8), laptop computers for students (18), laptops for teachers (2), printers (2) and photocopiers (2).
- Constructed and opened new tuckshop and uniform shop.
- Repaired and utilised water tanks to service students’ amenities.
- Improved grounds due to the employment of groundsperson.