



## *St Patrick's School Katanning*

### *School Performance Data 2015*

*The following information is a Federal Government requirement and pertains to the 2015 calendar year.*



#### **Contextual Information**

St Patrick's School in Katanning is a Catholic Primary School catering for approximately 140 students from Pre Primary to Year 6. The school is an integral part of the St Patrick's Parish, and there exists, a very close relationship between the School and Parish. However, the parish population is an ageing one, and opportunities for younger people to participate are not commonly sought by many. This is a challenge for all in the Parish and School.

Katanning is situated within the Great Southern region of Western Australia, and the town is a regional hub, boasting excellent leisure, sporting, medical and shopping facilities. The town also has two State Government Primary Schools, a Senior High School and a TAFE facility. The community has a wide diversity of cultural backgrounds.

St Patrick's School is highly regarded by school and parish families and a significant number of the school's students are and have been, second and in some cases, third-generation students of the school. St Patrick's School was established in 1926 with the arrival in January of that year, of three Our Lady of the Missions sisters. The school opened on 3<sup>rd</sup> February at 9.00am with 47 pupils, and the first classes were originally located in the Church. The school finished that year with 108 pupils.

The sisters continued to teach in the Church until 1927. By then, three rooms and a verandah were built in the Church grounds, and these were opened and blessed by Archbishop Clune on 5<sup>th</sup> December 1927. These classrooms faced Annie St, and were the School Library and Canteen. In 1958, two additional rooms were added, facing Amherst St, and these currently house Years 5 and 6. 1966 saw the building of the Parish Hall.

St Patrick's School continued to grow rapidly and the building of additional classrooms, (currently Years 1, 2 3 and 4) were completed and opened in 1975. The most recent Building Programme, including a new classroom, a dedicated Multi-Purpose Room for the Arts and LOTE, and a large Covered Area, was completed in 2004. St Patrick's School is now a single stream school catering for children from Pre Primary through to Year 6. In 2015, there are currently 140 children attending the school with a staff of 23 comprised of 15 teachers (full-time and part-time) and 8 non-teaching staff. Our school has commenced the construction and refurbishment of a new Pre-Primary and Year One classrooms to meet the demands of the National Quality Standards.

The staff is hard working and committed to providing a high level of pastoral care and quality education to their students. The school's Leadership Team consists of the Principal, Assistant Principal (Administration/Religious Education) and this team is also supported by a Coordinator of Professional Learning.

There are specialist programmes in the areas of Drama, Physical Education, Computing and Library. The school is well resourced in all areas.

The contribution of parents in the school is strongly encouraged and is a feature of the school. Parents assist teachers regularly in classrooms and a specific group known as LAP Volunteers (Learning Assistance Programme) are trained to work with children who have special social and educational requirements.

There is a School Board, whose function and responsibility is to oversee the financial management and future planning of the school, and the Parents and Friends Association is the body through which parents can make a more formal contribution to the life of the school, through fundraising and the development of social networks.



## **Professional Engagement**

### **1. Teacher Qualifications and Workforce Composition**

St Patrick's School employs 15 teaching Staff. Collectively, the qualifications held by teachers and the numbers of teachers who hold these qualifications are:

- 3 Diplomas
- 11 Bachelor's Degrees
- 1 Master's Degree
- Staff composition: -
  - 3 males, 22 females,
  - 8 non- teaching staff, 15 teaching staff
  - 0 indigenous staff members
- 2 Female cleaners
- 1 male cleaner

### **2. Expenditure and Teacher participation in Professional Learning**

All teaching staff participated in Professional Development (PD) opportunities in 2015. A sample of PD opportunities included

- Religious Education Accreditation – Faith Story and Witness
- Nulit Data Analysis and Data Informed Teaching
- Performance Indicators in Pre Schools (PIPS)
- Moderation Days with St Bernard's and St Matthews Narrogin
- Religious Education in-service program with St Bernard's and St Matthew's
- Co-ordinator of Professional Learning Days
- SDERA resiliency and drug awareness training
- APRE days Bunbury diocese
- Graduate Program

From the School's audited accounts for 2015, \*\$ 17 734 was spent on Professional Development for teaching staff. This is an average of \$ 1182.20 per teaching staff member. An additional cost of \*\$ 12 931 was spent on teacher relief attending Professional Development opportunities.

*\*Annual Financial Statement 2015*

## **Key Student Outcomes**

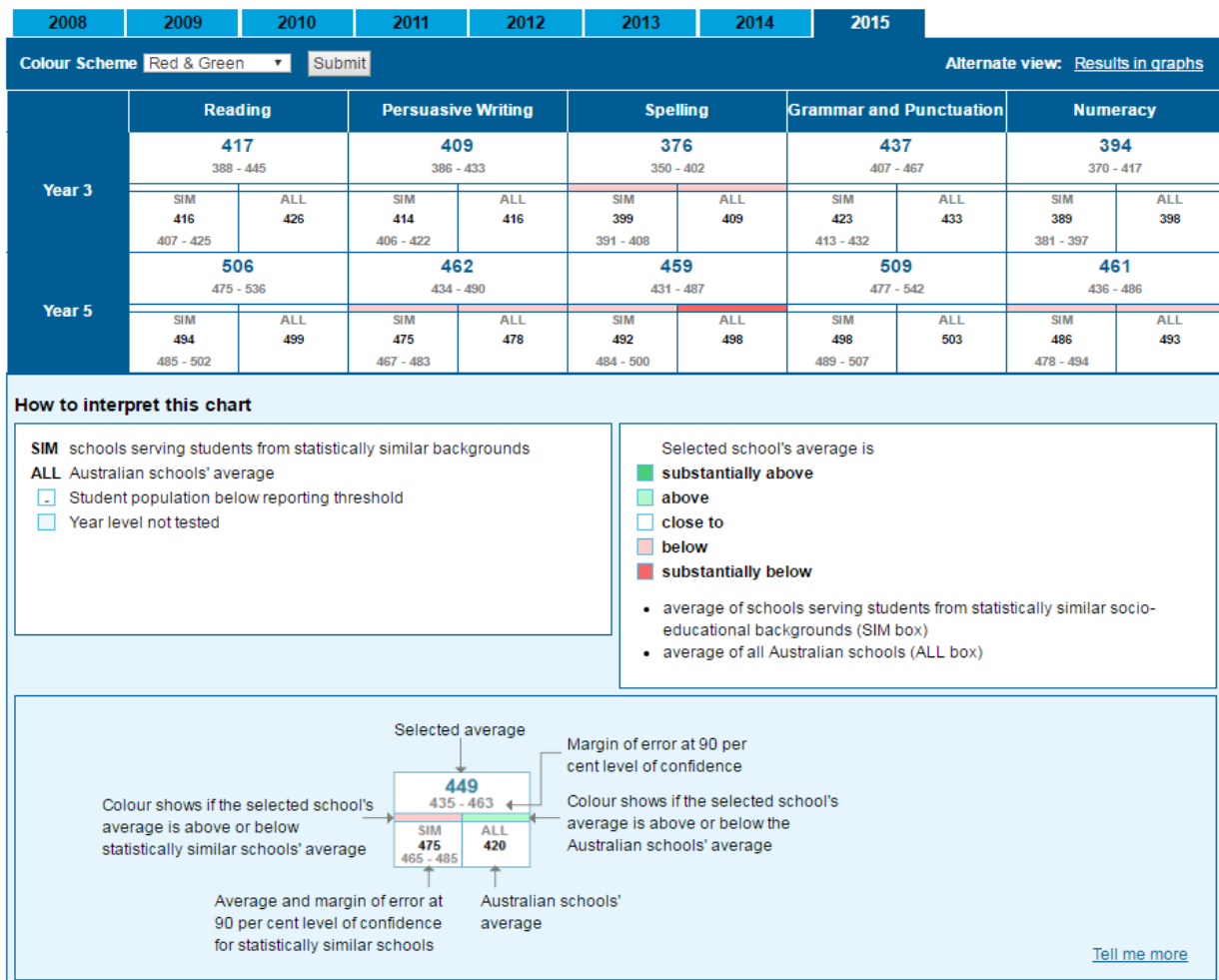
### **3. Student attendance:**

An average of 90.62 % of students attended school each day in 2015. Student attendance is monitored by teaching and administration staff using SEQTA. It is a legal requirement for parents to forward a written note of explanation for any student absence and absentee notes are available on the school website, which are automatically sent to Administration.

## Individual Class Attendance figures: -

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| Pre Primary | 89.9 %  |
| Year One-   | 87.65 % |
| Year Two-   | 90.47 % |
| Year Three- | 92.4 %  |
| Year Four-  | 91.98 % |
| Year Five-  | 91.41 % |
| Year Six-   | 91.22 % |

## 4. NAPLAN Information



## 5. Value Added

St Patrick's School offers a wide variety of opportunities outside the classroom, which allow students to grow and develop. Such activities include:

- School Camp in Year Six
- Young Leaders Day Grip Leadership Albany
- Community Service activities
- Kojonup Speech and Drama Festival
- Children's Book Week Parade and Visiting Author
- Western Australia Week celebrations

- Tree Planting
- Interschool Athletics
- Interschool Swimming
- Interschool Cross Country
- ANZAC Day Service (Both School and Katanning Town Services)
- Excursions
- Incursions and Performing Artists' visits
- Gallery Visits
- Vegetable Gardens and maintenance
- Missions Fundraising
- Visiting Sport Clinics E.g. Squash, Football, Netball and Cricket
- Winter Carnival

## Satisfaction

### 6. Parent, Student and Staff satisfaction

Patrick's School has undertaken surveys in previous years which involved extensive feedback from parents, staff and students. This feedback has formed the basis for the development and ongoing implementation of the current St Patrick's School's Strategic directions and school priorities. Recent data from these sources indicates a high level of satisfaction with St Patrick's School.



*Bushies School Day to commemorate the work of the Sisters of Our Lady of the Missions.*

