



SAINT MARY MACKILLOP COLLEGES LIMITED

ANNUAL REPORT 2021

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Registered and Accredited Individual Non-Government Schools (NSW) Manual 3.10.1.

Vision Statement

Saint Mary MacKillop Colleges (SMMC) seeks to participate in the proclamation of the Gospel of Jesus Christ through the formation of our students and all associated with the school, with special emphasis given to the spiritual, intellectual, social and physical growth of each person within and for the larger community.

A message from the School's Governing Body

Saint Mary MacKillop Colleges is conducted by a company known as Saint Mary MacKillop Colleges Limited. The objects of the company include the management and control of the College in accord with the precepts, teachings and practices of the Catholic Church. A major task undertaken by the School Board during the year was the review of long term planning and updating of the College's Strategic Plan that sets improvements directions for the school.

Characteristics of the student body

Saint Mary MacKillop Colleges was established in 2007 and now offers classes from Kindergarten to Year 12. Situated in Wagga Wagga, the school caters for students from diverse cultural backgrounds; 35% of the school's students are from families that speak a language other than English at home.

In the 2021 Census there were 157 students of whom 102 were in primary school and 55 in secondary school. There were 76 boys and 81 girls throughout the school. Many students commence Kindergarten with low levels of literacy due to English being the second language spoken in the home.

Student outcomes in standardised national literacy and numeracy testing-NAPLAN 2021

[Results | My School](#)

Senior secondary outcomes (student achievement)

In 2021 no ROSA credentials were issued. 99% of year 10 students were retained into year 11. No year 11 students were retained into year 12 (only 3 students in Yr 11).

Teacher qualifications and professional learning:

Teaching standards/ qualifications

CATEGORY	Number of teachers
<i>i. Teachers having teacher education qualifications from a higher education institution within Australia or as recognised within the National Office of Overseas Skills Recognition (AEI-NOOSR) guidelines, or</i>	13
<i>ii. Teachers having a bachelor degree from a higher education institution within Australia or one recognised within the AEI-NOOSR guidelines but lack formal teacher qualifications.</i>	1

Total School Staff numbers can be viewed on the My School website: <http://www.myschool.edu.au>

Professional Learning

- The School Executive participated in online courses conducted by the AIS Leadership Centre.
- WHS procedures were covered during the year.
- The secondary staff participated in online courses provided by the AIS covering Stages 4, 5 and 6.
- Primary staff participated in online courses, covering all stages.
- Lesson observations of all teachers' lessons were conducted by executive staff, with feedback given based on the AITSL standards.
- Pastoral care professional learning was provided to all staff. This information assisted teachers in pastoral care positions to undertake their role including current issues in adolescent health and communication skills.
- Staff were given continuing in-service on the use of advanced techniques in IT.

- Staff professional learning remains a major focus with a greater emphasis on providing a differentiated approach to cater for the varying needs of staff who are at different stages in their accreditation.

Workforce Composition

A description of the workforce composition for Saint Mary MacKillop Colleges is published on the My School website: <http://www.myschool.edu.au>

Student attendance, and retention rates and post-school destinations.

In 2021 the school conducted the following classes:

Kindergarten	15 Students
Year 1	20 Students
Year 2	12 Students
Year 3	15 Students
Year 4	9 Students
Year 5	11 Students
Year 6	20 Students
Year 7	17 Students
Year 8	11 Students
Year 9	10 Students
Year 10	9 Students
Year 11	8 Students
Year 12	0 Students

Due to Covid-19 the attendance percentage rates have not been included.

For whole school student attendance rates please refer to the school's data on the My School website: [My School](#)

Student Retention of Year 10 to Year 12 and Post School Destination

There was an 99% retention rate. Students who have left the school during the year do so because of family circumstances.

Student Enrolments

Student Total	Primary	Secondary
157	102	55

Management of Non-Attendance

In order for students to reach their full potential it is of paramount importance that they attend school regularly. While it is the parents' legal responsibility under the NSW Education Act (1990) to ensure that their children attend school regularly, our staff as part of their duty of care, monitor all absences and work in partnership with parents to support and promote the regular attendance of students. In doing so, the school, under the leadership of the Principal :

- provides a caring environment which fosters in students, a sense of wellbeing and belonging.
- maintains accurate records of student attendance.
- implements policies and procedures to monitor student attendance and to address non-attendance issues as and when they arise.
- communicates to parents and students, the school's expectations with regard to student attendance and the consequences of not meeting these expectations.
- recognises and rewards excellent and improved student attendance.

School attendance records also contain information regarding student absences including reasons for absence and documentation to substantiate reasons for absences. Teachers are required to monitor non-attendance diligently on a student by student basis and to bring to the attention of the Principal immediately any unexplained absences, non-attendance of a chronic nature, or reasons for non-attendance that cause concern. Matters of concern are referred to the Principal and the relevant Department of Education and Training officer where appropriate.

Where a student is not able to attend school for a prolonged period of time due to a medical condition or illness, the school in collaboration with parents provides resources to contribute to the student's continuum of learning where possible.

Enrolment Policy 2021:

Enrolment at Saint Mary MacKillop Colleges is made by way of completing an enrolment application and questionnaire, available from the website here: [Saint Mary MacKillop Colleges Wagga Wagga NSW](#)

Once an application is completed, an interview with the Principal is required.

Who can enrol?

- Children from all families who are prepared to participate in Saint Mary MacKillop Colleges' mission and vision to promote and engender a sound Catholic formation in children based on the authentic teachings of the Catholic Church.

Learning and Disability Support Enrolment Policy:

Saint Mary MacKillop Colleges (in line with key legislation of The Disability Standards for Education 2005 (Standards) and the Disability Discrimination Act) advocates access to an appropriate and inclusive education for students with a disability or a learning support need and no child will be turned away where resources exist that can meet that child's needs. We believe that all students can learn, provided that they are offered appropriate support.

Our aim is to allow students to realise their own potential through the provision and maintenance of a supportive educational environment.

When seeking enrolment, copies of all information relative to the specific learning needs of the student applying for enrolment must be disclosed to the school. Examples may include any of the following:

- Paediatric reports related to medical conditions;
- Behavioural Assessments;
- Therapeutic interventions;
- Psychometric assessments;
- Speech and language clinical reports;
- Occupational therapy reports.

If the enrolment application is successful, the above documentation must be updated as further assessments occur or as additional information becomes available.

It is essential that parents/carers co-operate with the Principal or delegated teacher should they need to discuss appropriate support of the student with the relevant practitioner.

In the case of Kindergarten enrolments, the Principal will contact the preschool and allied health who work with the student applying for enrolment, to collect information relevant to the educational support of the student.

This information may be forwarded to various funding bodies in order to ascertain possible additional education support.

It is essential that parents/carers cooperate with the Principal in obtaining appropriate medical/educational/behavioural assessments or advice in relation to the student's educational progress.

Saint Mary MacKillop Colleges has in place strategies and programs to prevent harassment or victimisation of students with disabilities and students who have an associate with a disability.

Saint Mary MacKillop Colleges will not exclude students on the basis of pre-conceived or biased information.

Other school policies can be viewed on the website-<https://www.stmarymackillop.nsw.edu.au>

Pastoral Care/Discipline Policy
Anti-Bullying Prevention Policy
Student Behaviour Policy
Complaints and Grievance Policy

POLICY	Access to full text
<p>Student Welfare</p> <p>The school seeks to provide a safe and supportive environment to support the spiritual, mental, physical and emotional wellbeing of students through programs that:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Meet the spiritual, personal, social and learning needs of students. ● Develop students' sense of self-worth and foster personal development. 	<p>The school's student welfare policy can be accessed from the school's website and parent enrolment pack.</p>
<p>Anti-bullying</p> <p>The school policy provides processes for responding to and managing allegations of bullying.</p>	<p>The full text of the school's Anti-Bullying policy can be accessed from the school website and parent enrolment pack.</p>
<p>Discipline</p> <p>The school expressly prohibits corporal punishment and does not explicitly or implicitly sanction the administering of corporal punishment by non-school persons, including parents, to enforce discipline at the school. All behaviour management actions are based on procedural fairness. Parents are involved in the processes of procedural fairness when sanctions result in suspension and expulsion of a student.</p>	<p>A summary of the school's Pastoral Care Program, including discipline, can be accessed from the school website and parent enrolment pack.</p>
<p>Complaints and grievances</p> <p>The policy uses as appropriate, procedural fairness in dealing with complaints and grievances and includes processes for raising and responding to matters of concern identified by parents and/or students. These processes incorporate how parents raise complaints and grievances and how the school will respond.</p>	<p>The full text of the school's Complaints and Grievances policy can be accessed from the school website and parent enrolment pack.</p>

Saint Mary MacKillop Colleges determined priority areas for improvement:

AREA	2021	2022
Teaching and Learning	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Additional class teachers in order to maintain the school's emphasis on optimal class sizes. ● Various courses offered for Stage 6 through Dubbo DE school and NSW School of Languages. This supports the school's goal of making a wide variety of Stage 6 courses available to its students. ● Resources put in place to cater for diversity among all stages with regard to Literacy and Numeracy. ● Purchase of new Early Stage 1, Stage 2 and Stage 3 readers. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Courses offered for Stage 6 through Dubbo DE school and NSW School of Languages. ● Strategies put in place to cater for diversity among all students with regard to Literacy and Numeracy. ● Additional Teacher's Aid ● Purchase of new Early Stage 1 and Stage 1 and 2 readers. ● Implementation of 7-12 Study Skills program
Facilities and Resources	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● New cricket pitch. ● New reverse cycle air-conditioners in classrooms. ● New handball court in primary playground. ● Upkeep and maintenance of present premises and gardens ● Oval repaired. ● New handball court. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Extension in the use of current premises to house years K-12 ● Upkeep and maintenance of present premises and gardens ● Additional laptops for students to be purchased. ● School oval to be established ● New half court for netball and basketball in primary. ● Extension of primary playground. ● New fencing around school. ● New shade shelter for primary
Professional Development	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Careers advice for Stage 6 ● First Aid Course ● WHS course ● Resources on Traineeships/Apprenticeships ● Asthma Training ● Pastoral Care training. ● Early stage One courses to cater for diversity within the classroom. ● Executive training. ● 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● AISNSW courses participated in for all teachers with regard to NCCD and accreditation of teachers. Subject-specific courses attended by Secondary teachers. ● First Aid course. ● WHS course ● Executive training. ● Courses to cater for diversity within the classroom. ● Professional development for all primary staff on how to best teach poetry recitation.

Equipment	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● New sporting equipment purchased. ● New laboratory equipment purchased. ● New chess sets purchased 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● New sporting equipment purchased. ● New AFL posts for oval. ● New soccer goals installed. ● New AV equipment acquired. ● ●
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Initiatives Promoting Respect and Responsibility:

Our Community links are an important part of Saint Mary MacKillop Colleges. This year the school supported charities

- Aid to the Church in Need
- Missionaries of Charity.

In addition, community links were furthered by:

- Regular pastoral care days.
- The awarding of The Saint Mary of the Cross(MacKillop) Award.

Parent Satisfaction

The school provides a number of channels for parents to express their level of satisfaction with the operation of the school. Each term a Key Parent Function is held at the school. During this function parents freely mingle with each other and the staff but due to Covid-19 these events were not held.

The Parents are encouraged to contact the Principal or Secondary Coordinators if they should have any concerns.

Parent Teacher interviews were offered online and by phone twice during 2020, after the Mid-Year Report and end of year. Proof of Parent satisfaction is shown by the tremendous good will demonstrated by parent volunteers when called upon to assist with special events held at the Colleges.

Student Satisfaction

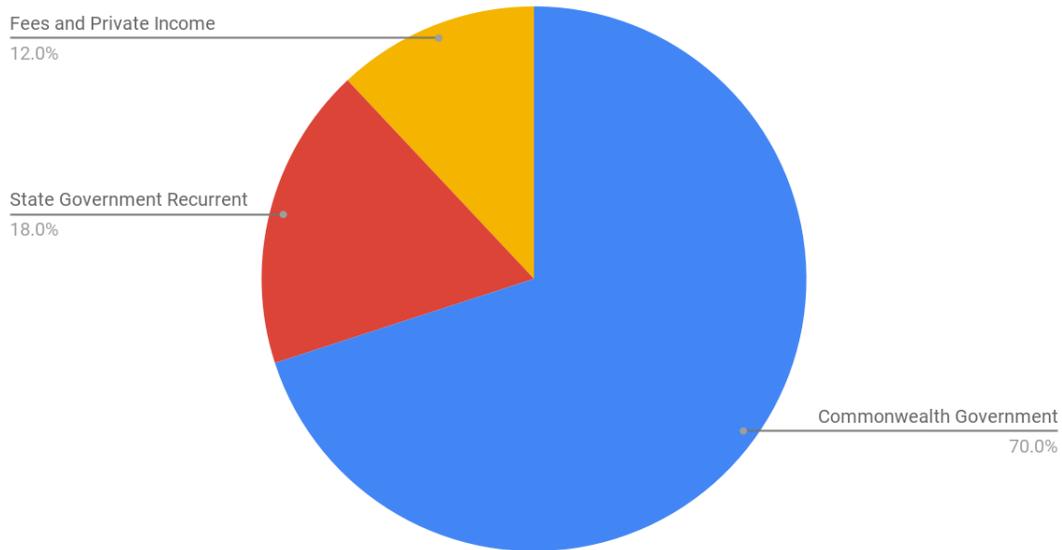
A concern of the school is to engage the students as positively as possible in the school experience. Students that like school are much more likely to perform well at school. One positive sign of student satisfaction is that **all** students participated in extracurricular activities arranged throughout the year. The school very much appreciates this generosity.

Teacher Satisfaction

The school enjoys an excellent staff environment, with the common goal of a desire to impart an authentic Catholic Education animating all of the day to day running of Saint Mary MacKillop Colleges. Staff are given the opportunity at each programming meeting and staff meeting to provide both positive and negative feedback.

Summary of Financial Information:

INCOME 2021



EXPENDITURE 2021

