Enrolment Policy

Introduction
Historically, Catholic schools in Australia were established for the specific purpose of educating students from the local Catholic community.

St John’s Catholic Primary school is committed to educating students from the local Catholic community.

St John’s welcomes members of the wider community who value and support both the school and Church’s Mission.

Each application for enrolment will be considered individually. The principal and the Parish Priest will be part of the interview and selection process.

Criteria For Enrolment At St John’s

• Catholic siblings of students already in the school
• Children of Catholic families in the Parish
• Children of Catholic families from other Parishes
• Non Catholic students from other Christian denominations
• Non Catholic siblings of students already in the school
• Non Catholic children

St. John’s understands and appreciates that Christ had openness to all people, especially the disadvantaged and those subjected to prejudice. It is with this knowledge and spirit that will help guide our decisions about school enrolment.

Furthermore, no Catholic child will be denied admittance to St John’s on the basis of the family’s inability to pay fees.

Enrolment Consequences
Parents, on enrolment of their child/ren at St John’s Primary School must:

1. Be supportive of a Catholic Education for their child and the school’s Mission Statement.
2. Realise that Prep is a very important first step in the education of their child, and necessitates the child continuing in Year 1 at this school.
3. Support the educational and spiritual program of the school.
4. Pay school fees, except in cases of genuine hardship, where alternative arrangements may be made by appointment with the principal.
5. Work cooperatively with and within the school.
7. Ensure their child attends school in correct and FULL school uniform, maintained in good repair, thus encouraging development of the school community pride and self-discipline.
8. Remain supportive and compliant to the school’s policies and procedures. Eg. Behaviour Management Policy.
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Enrolment Procedures

- On application for enrolling a child in any year, parents/carers will fill out an Application for Enrolment form. Completion of this form does not guarantee placement.

- An enrolment interview with the Principal and Parish Priest will occur upon receipt of the application. (See Enrolment Interview Proforma)

- The school will make contact with parents/carers confirming enrolment. On acceptance of enrolment a copy of the child/ren’s birth certificate, baptism certificate, immunisation card and any other relevant documentation are collected and copied for administrative records

- Enrolment is only secured by the parents agreeing to the enrolment policy as outlined above.

Evaluation

The St. John’s Enrolment Policy will be reviewed in 2009 as part of the school’s review cycle.