Vision and Mission

Our vision is to be a Catholic school community inspired as “One in Christ”, through faith, learning, and action.

Mission Statement

Inspired Faith

• knowledge of Catholic life, beliefs, Church, and scripture
• prayer and celebration
• charism of Mary MacKillop

Inspired Learning

• connected student centred learning
• personalised, active and interactive learning environment
• encouragement of excellence

Inspired Action

• creative, flexible, future focussed technology rich environment
• recognition and celebration of gifts and talents
• outreach in the dignified service of others

Priority 1:

Mission and Religious Education
St Mary of the Cross is a Catholic parish school where we will endeavour to foster a Catholic Identity and Faith Community true to the Gospel Values of Jesus our teacher and mentor.

Therefore we intend to:

- nurture the Faith and Spirituality of staff, students and community members in the Catholic tradition and Josephite charism
- further develop Social Justice and Mission programs to put our beliefs into action.
- Implement BCE religion curriculum that supports the mission and vision of our school community
- Developing and strengthening the relationship with the parish

Priority 2:

Learning and Teaching

St Mary of the Cross will be a connected, learning community committed to providing quality learning and teaching for all. We aim to provide learning that is personalised, active and interactive. As a result of this, we hope to develop successful, creative, confident and informed learners who will shape and enrich our world.

Therefore we intend to:

- Continue to implement the Australian Curriculum within the teaching and learning cycle.
- Use BCE learning framework to create a Vision of Learning.
- Support staff and students in the ongoing acquisition of skills and pursuit of excellence in the use and application of Information and Communication Technology integrated into their pedagogy and curriculum.
Priority 3

Professional Practice and Collaborative Relationships

St Mary of the Cross is a community committed to promoting professional teams who develop and maintain current, relevant and best teaching practice.

Therefore we intend to:

- Develop our staff as a professional learning community
- Support teacher practice that is connected, active and interactive
- Identify staff qualities and capabilities, and align relevant professional development with our strategic renewal plans.
- Develop a long term plan to facilitate development of professional standards and staff support.
- Implement appropriate feedback and mentoring programs.
- Maintain and enhance the formal and informal networks and arrangements to support collaborative partnerships
- Build and empower, capacity parent partnership and engagement

Priority 4

Strategic Resourcing

St Mary of the Cross is a community committed to maintaining integrity, respect, accountability and excellence through its implementation of policies and practices. We will develop and implement policies and practices that are informed by principles of stewardship, participation and sustainability.

Therefore we intend to:

- Focus on sustainability of school across all elements and aspects of school life
- Accessible catholic education supporting all families
- Ecological learning for sustainable environmental practices into our school structure and processes.
- Focus our attention on information and learning management systems and technology to enhance engagement with learning, teaching and evolving technologies (action)
- Prioritise resources and sustainable budget allocations to support our goals in achieving best teaching practice and resource enhancement.