



Melbourne Archdiocese Catholic Schools Ltd (MACS) schools operate with the consent of the Catholic Archbishop of Melbourne and are owned, operated and governed by MACS.

Rationale

St Francis Xavier Primary School is a Catholic Parish Primary school is inspired by the person of Jesus and founded by the Sisters of Mercy. Our vision statement can be found in our school foyer, on our school website, is part of the enrolment pack given to new parents, part of the staff handbook and forms part of beginning of school routines in each class. It is also included in the Annual Report to the school community.

Purpose

St Francis Xavier aims to be guided by service and the values of Respect, Responsibility, Kindness and Resilience. We aim to empower our students to thrive today, excel tomorrow and lead with compassion.

Implementation:

At St Francis Xavier, we enact our vision in the following ways;

- SFX School Prayer
- SFX whole school rules and School Values: Respectful, Resilient, Responsible, Kind
- Weekly Spirit of Jesus Awards
- Daily/Weekly School Assemblies
- Religious Education Units of work based on the content areas of Morality, Justice and Compassion, Church and Community, God, Religion and Life.
- Inquiry: Health, Identity and Wellbeing, Culture and Identity, Active Citizenship, Change over Time, Social Responsibility
- SWELL Week at the beginning of each year
- Participation in Harmony Week activities, 'Bullying, No Way!' Day and Kindness Day
- Yearly whole school St Francis Xavier Feast Day in December
- SFX School Captains and Leadership Positions for all Year Six Students
- Student Representative Council Year Prep to Six
- Year 5 Fire Carrier Leaders
- Termly Level Class Masses and whole school Masses and Liturgies with Fr Michael
- Global connection with Friendship school Kadasig in Philippines and fundraising to support them
- Collection of non-perishable foods and needed items for St Vincent De Paul Montmorency conference
- Year 3/4 and 5/6 Camp, focusing on team work, co-operation, unity and outdoor education
- Prep and Year Six Buddy Program
- Buddy Bench
- Student Well-Being/Diversity Leader
- School Counsellor
- Student Well-being morning meetings 3 times a term to discuss & plan for student's needs
- Adjustment plans, PLPs & PSGs to support students with additional needs
- L.E.E.P Program
- Vibrant classrooms, where students have various learning spaces to cater for their needs
- Being welcoming of students, no matter their gender, race, culture, ethnicity or disability
- Seven specialist subjects each week
- Whole School Visual Arts Show & Whole School Musical alternating each year
- STEM Week, LOTE Week and Book Week
- Inter school sport, district swimming, district athletics and cross country
- An involved and dedicated School Advisory Council Parents Association and parent community