



Whitford Catholic Primary School Craigie

School Performance Data 2015 *Information relating to Schools*

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



Contextual Information

MISSION STATEMENT

Embracing Catholic principles, our mission at Whitford Catholic Primary School is to educate, respect and nurture each child.

VISION STATEMENT

Our vision is to be a Catholic community where children thrive, enjoy learning and develop life skills to meet future challenges.

Whitford Catholic Primary School, founded by the Sisters of Mercy in 1978 is today a vibrant and welcoming school community in which children can flourish. Currently transitioning from double to triple stream, the school caters for students in a co-educational setting from Pre-Kindergarten – Year 6. Situated on the same grounds as Our Lady of the Mission Church and Parish Centre in the suburb of Craigie, the school continues to grow rapidly in line with developments in the northern corridor. Planning for the building of four new classrooms is currently underway, with expected completion for the start of the 2017 school year.

The school is part of a strong and nurturing community. It has an excellent reputation for providing a welcoming, involved and academically diverse environment for its students. The whole child is nurtured, not only through the rich religious education and strong academic programs, but also through extra-curricula programs and service activities where all interests and talents are valued.

The excellent infrastructure and facilities have been maintained and upgraded over the years. The building of four new classrooms, with an expected completion date for the end of the 2017 school year will support growth in our student numbers. Our enhanced facilities include two purpose built Early Childhood classrooms and outdoor learning areas, a state of the art gymnasium/hall and a richly resourced and refurbished Library.

The school thrives with the excellent good will and support of the Parish Priests, School Board and Parents & Friends Association. The positive attitude, co-operation and assistance of parents in supporting our programs, continues to be marvellous.

A whole school approach and commitment to collaborative processes for the purpose of school improvement ensures Whitford Catholic Primary School continues to thrive.

Teachers are using the West Australian Curriculum to plan and inform teaching and learning across all curriculum areas. With a strong focus on continual improvement in literacy, numeracy and digital technologies across the school, our children have many opportunities to flourish.

Professional development for staff, which is connected to school priorities ensures that initiatives are implemented effectively. Access to a well-resourced Library, together with increased technologies throughout the school support both staff and students in curriculum acquisition and implementation. Specialist teachers in Physical Education, Music, Dance, LOTE (Italian), Science and History support the rich and diverse education available to the children. An enrichment program is available to students requiring support, together with a LIGHTS program for those children in the senior classes requiring extension.

Our current situation is indeed a tribute to the excellent goodwill and support of a strong community.

Professional Engagement

1. Staff Attendance: The average attendance rate per staff member was 96%
2. Staff Retention:

During 2015, we farewelled the following staff members:

- 3 Teaching staff,
- 1 Non- teaching staff

3. Teacher Qualifications and Workforce Composition

Whitford Catholic Primary School employs 36 teaching Staff, and 23 Non-Teaching Staff. Collectively, the qualifications held by teachers, and the number of teachers who hold these qualifications are:

- 4 Diplomas
- 30 Bachelors
- 2 Masters
- Staff composition:-
 - 6 males, 53 females,
 - 23 non- teaching staff, 36 teaching staff
 - 0 indigenous staff members

4. 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
- Performance Indicators in Primary Schools (PIPS)
- Australian Curriculum Days
- Growth Coaching
- Therapy Focus - Ready, Set, Regulate
- SEQTA
- ICT Training Days – Switching Tracks
- Leadership - Masterclass
- NAPLAN data analysis
- AITSL professional standards for teachers

From the School's audited accounts, \$14, 385 was spent on Professional Development for teaching staff. This is an average of \$400 per teaching staff member. An additional cost of \$15,618 was spent on teacher relief attending Professional Development opportunities.

Key Student Outcomes

5. Student attendance:

An average of 93.2% of students attended school each day in 2015. Student attendance is monitored by teaching and administration staff. It is a legal requirement for parents to forward a written note of explanation for any student absence.

Individual Class Attendance figures:

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| Pre Primary | 92.1% |
| Year One | 92.6% |
| Year Two | 93.1% |
| Year Three | 92.9% |
| Year Four | 93.7% |
| Year Five | 93.9% |
| Year Six | 93.9% |

6. NAPLAN Information 2015

YEAR 3

64 students, 0 Aboriginal, 13 LBOTE (language background other than English)

| Year 3 | All Australian Schools Mean | All Western Australian Schools Mean | Whitford Catholic School Mean | Percentage of students achieving at or above National Minimum Standard | |
|-----------------------|-----------------------------|-------------------------------------|-------------------------------|--|------|
| | | | | 2014 | 2015 |
| Reading | 425 | 412 | 460 | 98% | 98% |
| Writing | 416 | 408 | 437 | 100% | 100% |
| Spelling | 409 | 400 | 449 | 100% | 100% |
| Grammar & Punctuation | 432 | 424 | 460 | 100% | 98% |
| Numeracy | 397 | 388 | 423 | 100% | 97% |

Reading

| Australian Schools | Top 20% | Middle 60% | Bottom 20% |
|--------------------|---------|------------|------------|
| Whitford Catholic | 32% | 60% | 8% |

Writing

| Australian Schools | Top 20% | Middle 60% | Bottom 20% |
|--------------------|---------|------------|------------|
| Whitford Catholic | 29% | 65% | 6% |

Spelling

| Australian Schools | Top 20% | Middle 60% | Bottom 20% |
|--------------------|---------|------------|------------|
| Whitford Catholic | 30% | 63% | 6% |

Grammar & Punctuation

| Australian Schools | Top 20% | Middle 60% | Bottom 20% |
|--------------------|---------|------------|------------|
| Whitford Catholic | 29% | 63% | 8% |

Numeracy

| Australian Schools | Top 20% | Middle 60% | Bottom 20% |
|--------------------|---------|------------|------------|
| Whitford Catholic | 27% | 62% | 11% |

YEAR 5

64 students, 0 Aboriginal, 9 LBOTE (language background other than English)

| Year 5 | All Australian Schools Mean | All Western Australian Schools Mean | Whitford Catholic School Mean | Percentage of students achieving at or above National Minimum Standard | |
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| | | | | 2014 | 2015 |
| Reading | 498 | 488 | 523 | 97% | 100% |
| Writing | 478 | 471 | 500 | 97% | 97% |
| Spelling | 498 | 492 | 518 | 97% | 100% |
| Grammar & Punctuation | 503 | 496 | 537 | 97% | 96% |
| Numeracy | 492 | 484 | 505 | 98% | 98% |

Reading

| Australian Schools | Top 20% | Middle 60% | Bottom 20% |
|--------------------|---------|------------|------------|
| Whitford Catholic | 30% | 61% | 9% |

Writing

| Australian Schools | Top 20% | Middle 60% | Bottom 20% |
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| Whitford Catholic | 28% | 63% | 9% |

Spelling

| Australian Schools | Top 20% | Middle 60% | Bottom 20% |
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| Whitford Catholic | 30% | 56% | 14% |

Grammar & Punctuation

| Australian Schools | Top 20% | Middle 60% | Bottom 20% |
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| Whitford Catholic | 31% | 58% | 11% |

Numeracy

| Australian Schools | Top 20% | Middle 60% | Bottom 20% |
|--------------------|---------|------------|------------|
| Whitford Catholic | 19% | 65% | 16% |

7. Value Added

Whitford Catholic Primary School offers a wide variety of opportunities outside the classroom, which allow students to grow and develop. Such activities include:

- School Camps in Year Five and Year Six
- Community Service activities
- Performing Arts - Festival
- Children's Book Week Parade and Visiting Author
- Western Australia Week celebrations
- Interschool Athletics
- Interschool Swimming
- Interschool Cross Country
- Soccer and cricket carnivals
- Indigenous Literacy Book Swap Initiative
- ANZAC Day Service (School Service)
- Excursions
- Surfing Lessons
- Surf life saving lessons
- Incursions
- Missions Fundraising
- Visiting Sport Clinics eg. Football, Netball, Cricket and Golf
- Winter Lightning Programme and Carnival

8. Parent, student and staff satisfaction

Whitford Catholic Primary 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 Whitford Catholic Primary School strategic directions and annual school priorities. Recent data from these sources indicates a high level of satisfaction with Whitford Catholic Primary School.

9. Post school destinations

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| Prendiville College | 26 |
| Sacred Heart College | 26 |
| Mater Dei College | 6 |
| Belridge High School | 2 |
| Ocean Reef High School | 1 |
| St Mark's Anglican Community College | 1 |

10. Financial Information

The ACARA website www.acara.edu.au hosts the My School profile of Australian schools. Visiting this site gives further comparative information including financial data.

