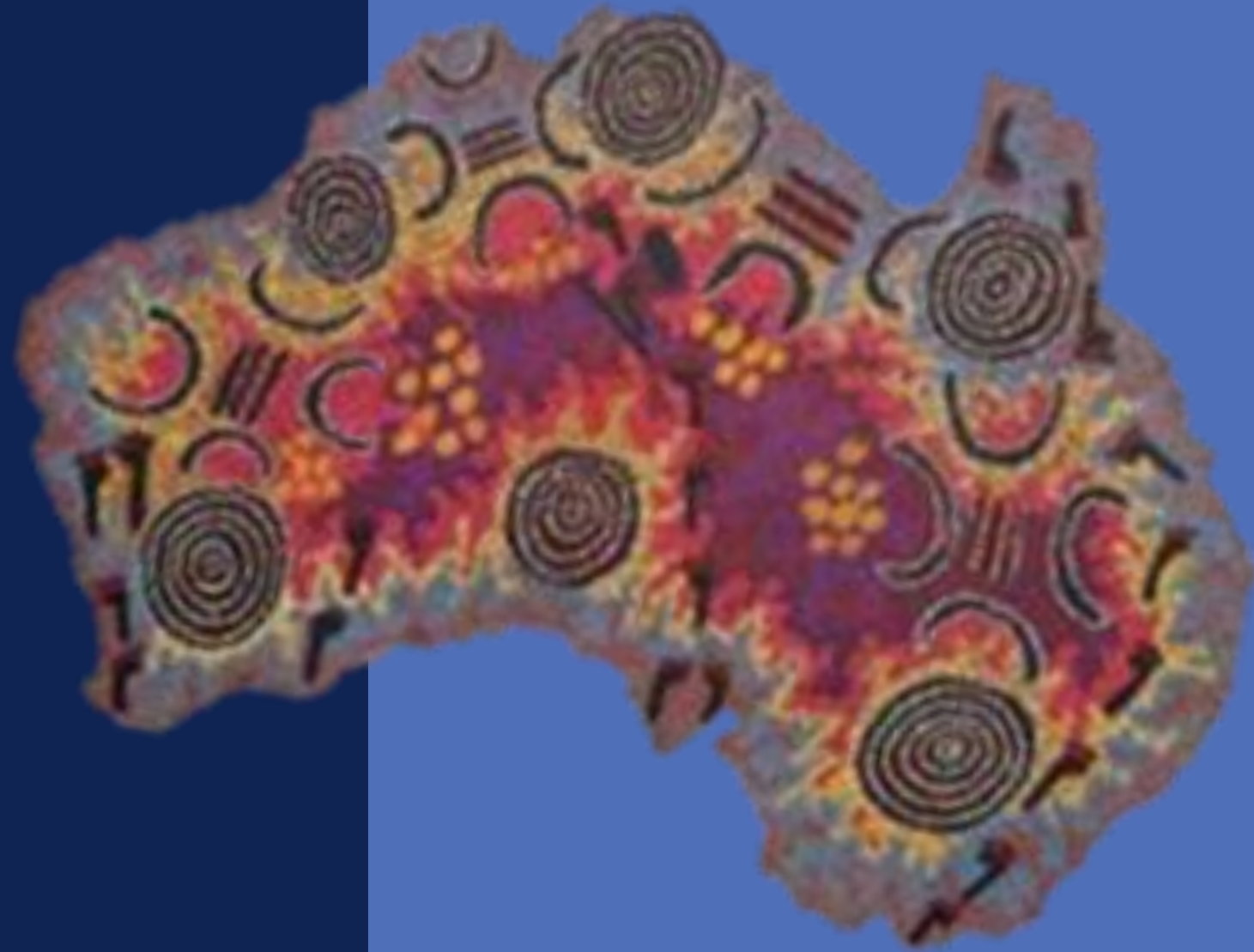


2023 information session for Parents and Caregivers



St Joseph's School
Kingswood

Acknowledgement of Country



We acknowledge the Kaurna people of the Adelaide Plains as the custodians of the land on which our school stands, and our feet are firmly planted.

We pay our respect to the Kaurna elders past, present, and emerging.

We understand that this land is sacred, and we respect and value the Kaurna People's connection to this land.

We also extend our respect to other Aboriginal Language Groups and First Nation people.

Prayer



Heavenly Father,

we gather here tonight as parents and staff of this community, to seek your guidance and blessings as we embark on a new school year.

Grant us the wisdom and patience to effectively communicate and collaborate in shaping the minds and hearts of our children. May we be diligent in our efforts to provide a safe and nurturing environment where they can flourish academically, socially, and spiritually.

We ask that you bless each and every student in this school with the gift of Persistence, Resilience, Collaboration, Curiosity and Bravery and help them to grow in their faith and love for you. May they be respectful and compassionate towards others and positively influence their homes, school, and community.

We ask for your protection and guidance as we embark on this new school year. May we work together in unity and peace, to build a better future for our children and our world.

We make this prayer through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, forever and ever.

Amen.

Our Journey

Two Years ago began the process of developing our new strategic plan.

We engaged an external company to work with our families, students and staff to gather their thoughts.

Reimagined our Vision, School Values and Learner Dispositions so they reflect the type of community St Joseph's Kingswood aspires to be.



Our Values

Saint Mary MacKillop



EXCELLENCE

Father Julian Tenison Woods



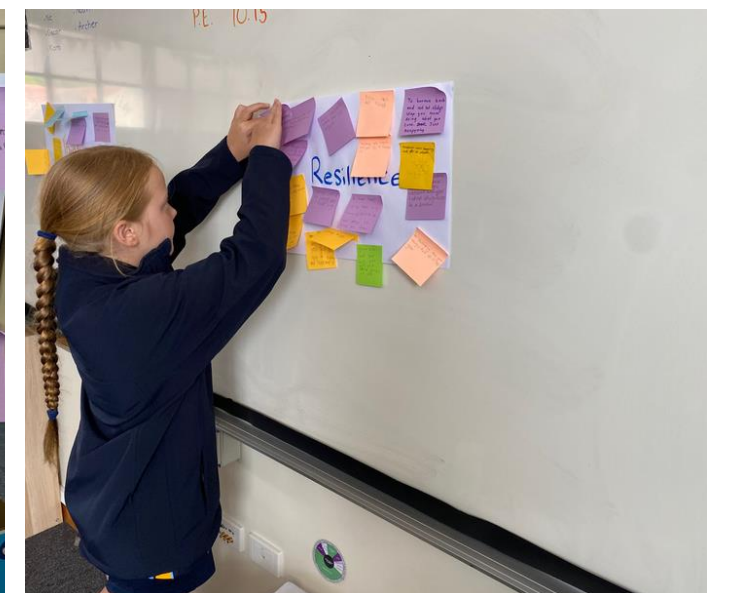
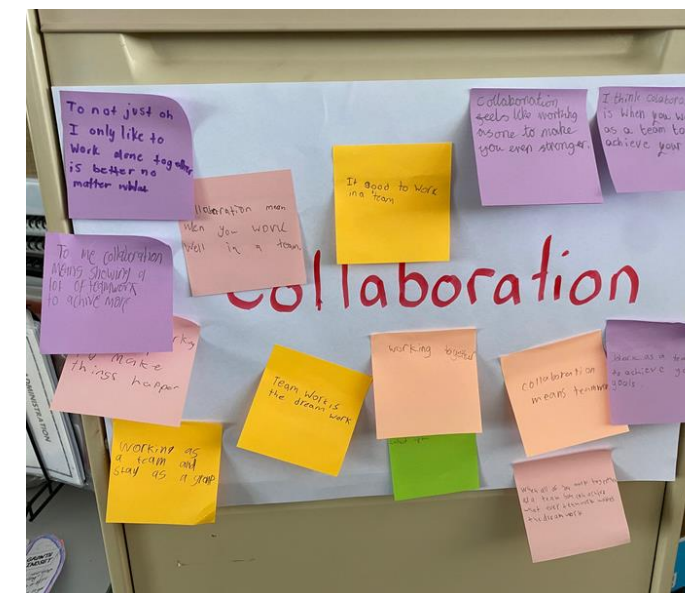
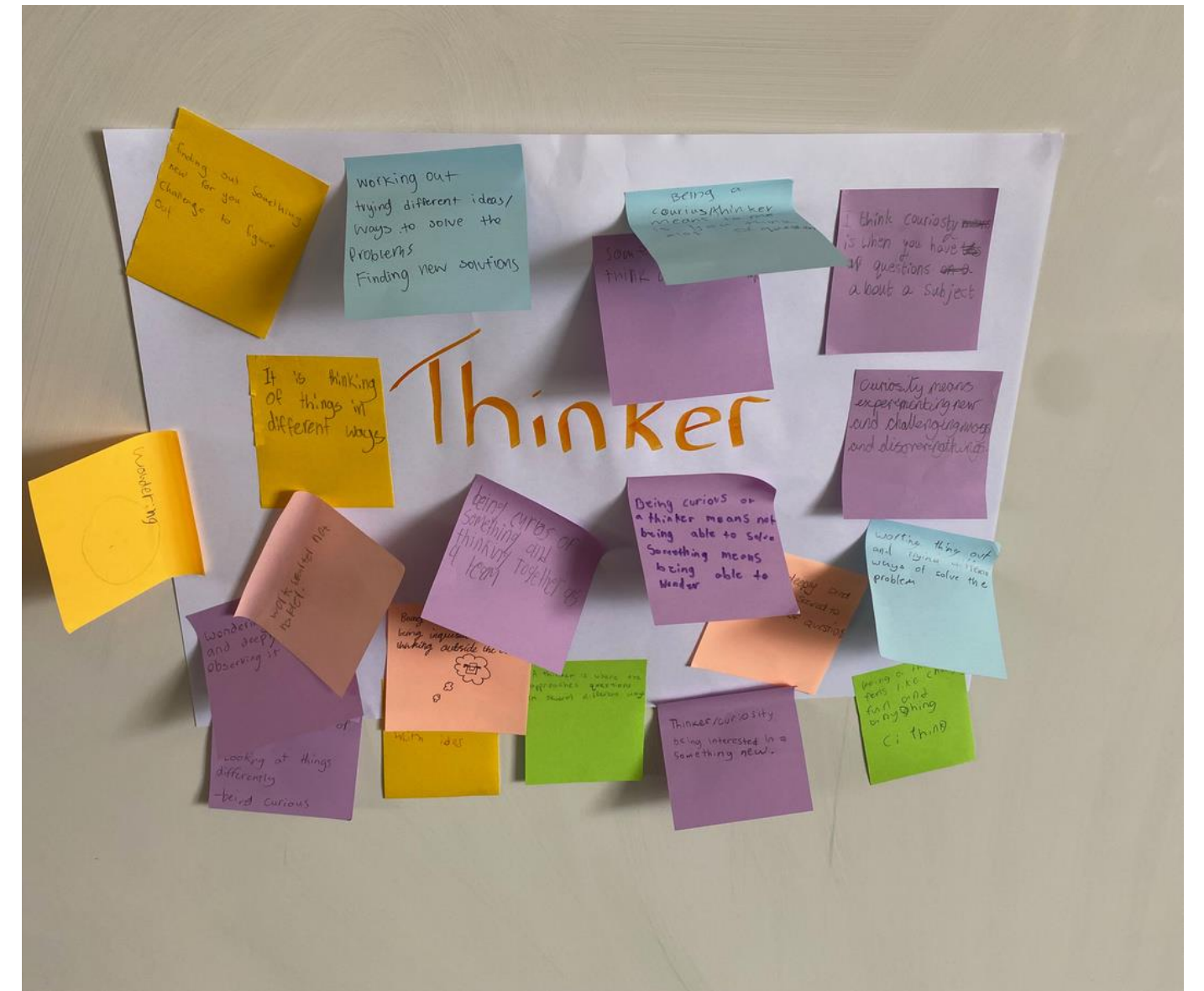
CONNECTION

Sister Irene McCormick



GRATITUDE

Learner Dispositions



Visible Learning

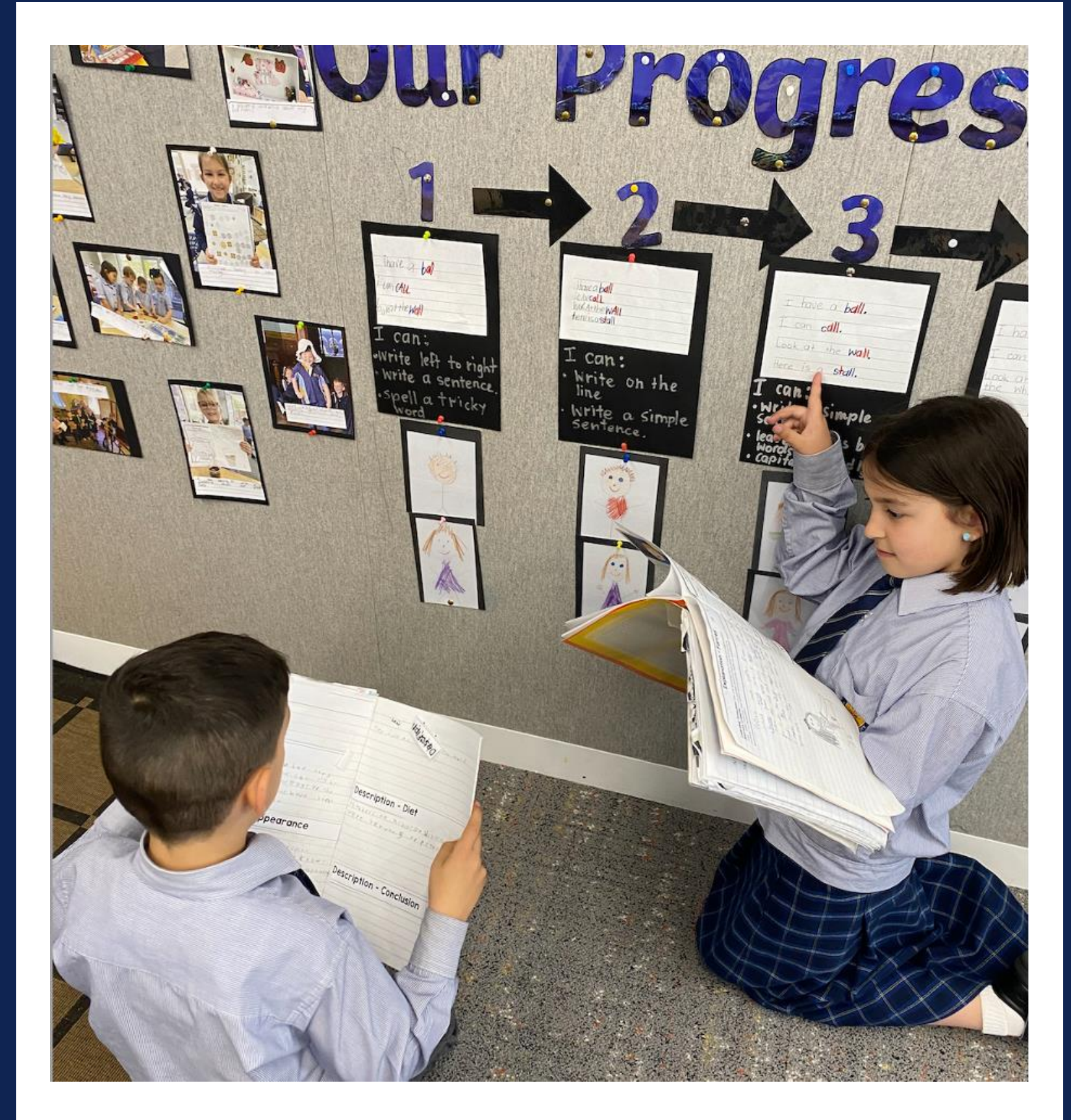
St Joseph's, Kingswood is the first South Australian school and 1 of 12 schools globally to be awarded Visible Learning Certification.

This means that the teachers at St Joseph's, Kingswood focus on and implement strategies that have the biggest impact on student progress. Our priority is on what works best for learning.



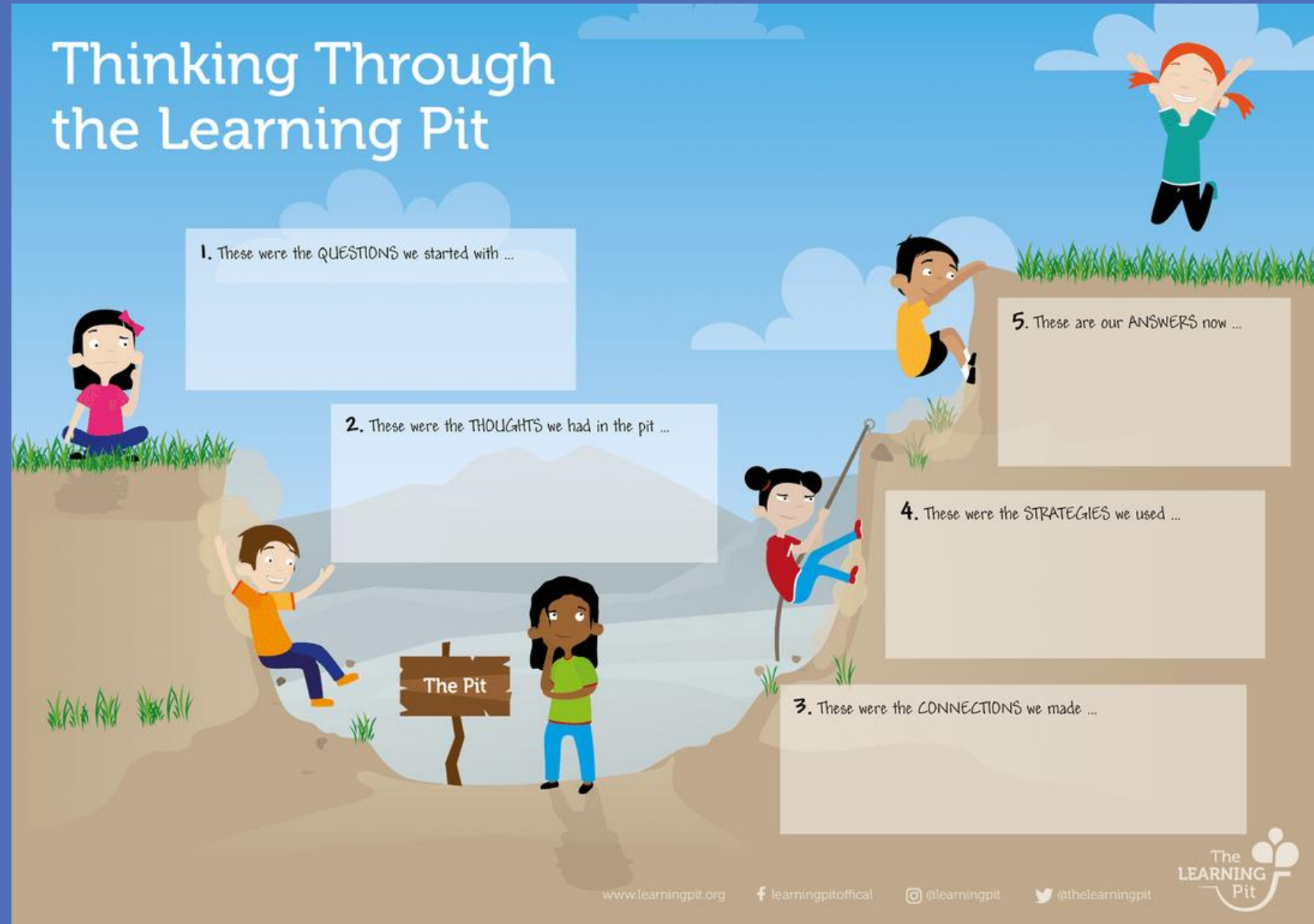
Visible Learning in the Classroom

- Learning Intentions
- Success Criteria
- Progress Walls
- Learning tasks that allow for surface and deep Learning as well as the transfer of knowledge
- Learning Pit & Growth Mindset
- Student agency
- Regular use of data



Learning Pit

Thinking Through the Learning Pit



Going into the Pit

- Seeking Challenges
- Stepping out of your comfort zone
- Experimenting
- Questioning
- Looking for Alternatives

Climbing out of the Pit

- Finding Solutions
- Creating meaning
- Gaining Clarity
- Harmonising
- Grasping

Developing Personal Responsibility

- Morning Welcome
- Circle Time
- Class Agreements
- Affirmative statements
- Restorative conversations



Sacramental Program

- Runs from March to November
- Across three schools: St Joseph's, St Therese (Coronel Light Gardens), St Thomas (Goodwood)
- Reconciliation à Confirmation à Communion
- Parish Run and School Supported
- Format: Workshops, Digital Content, Workbooks.
- We recommend starting the program between ages 8 to 10 (Year 3 to Year 5) however this is a decision to be made within the child's family.
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- 2023 program is about to commence. Please contact sacraments@eparish.org.au to enroll. The program brochure and 2023 enrollment form are available from the school's front office.
- Contact our APRIM, Christine Farrugia at cfarrugia@stjk.catholic.edu.au for more information.



Child Protection Curriculum



- The Right To be Safe
- Relations
- Recognising and Reporting abuse
- Protective Strategies

Promoting Reading

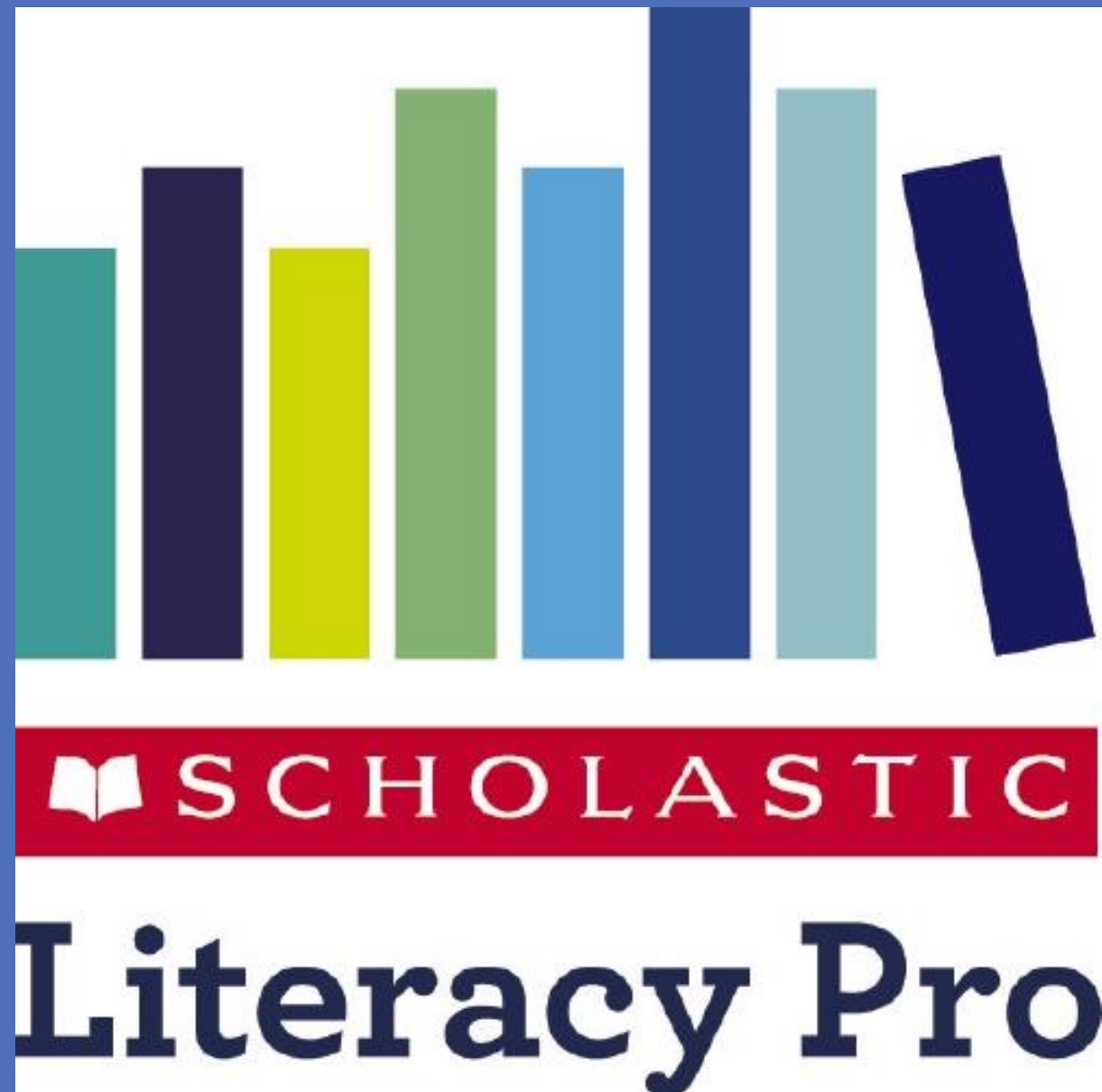
- We visit the school library week
- Mitcham Library
- Daily Independent reading - children encouraged to bring books from home
- Flashlight Friday
- Teachers read to students
- Buddies
- Big Books
- eBooks
- Class novels

At Home Reading



- Make a special time when your child receives your full attention
- Move through the books at a pace that suits your child
- Re-visit books
- Ask comprehension questions/act the story out
- Talk about opinions of the book – likes and dislikes
- Connect the ideas of the book to personal experiences
- Act the story out

Literacy Pro



- Literacy Pro is powered by The Lexile Framework®. It measures student reading ability and text complexity on the same scale.
- Match students to good fit books based on their interest and Lexile.
- Monitor students reading progress and set achievement goals. Promote discussions between student and teacher focusing on improvement.
- Motivate students to read more by tracking words read, improvements in reading skills and celebrating achievement.
- The goal is to read more and foster a love of reading



Creating the
LEADERS
of Tomorrow



Mary MacKillop
EXCELLENCE

"We must teach more by example
than by word."

Together with [Julian Tenison-Woods](#), Mary founded the [Sisters of St Joseph of the Sacred Heart](#) (the Josephites), who established a number of schools and welfare institutions throughout Australia and New Zealand, with an emphasis on education of rural and poor students.



Julian Tenison
Woods
CONNECTION

"Living in harmony with nature and
with God gives us full happiness and
purpose."

Father Woods had a great love for science and the arts and was awarded the Clarke medal for 'distinguished service to science'. Alongside this he also founded two religious congregations – the Sisters of Saint Joseph with Mary MacKillop, and the Sisters of Perpetual Adoration.



Sr. Irene
McCormack
GRATITUDE

*"I have come to understand that
effective action is a way of loving."*

Irene's mission to Peru in 1987 is where she continued her ministry of providing library facilities to poor children. She was filled with joy and happiness when she was able to help these children.

TENISON OUTDOOR EDUCATION PROGRAM



LEADERSHIP DEVELOPMENT

Students participate in a range of activities throughout Year 6 designed to build their leadership skills.



FIRST AID WITH ST JOHNS

Students learn basic first aid so they are able to help themselves or others if/when the need arises.



MARY MACKILLOP WALK

A chance to follow in the footsteps of Mary MacKillop whilst learning more about her bravery and determination.



WE ARE STARDUST RETREAT

This retreat is specifically designed for students to connect spiritually with both themselves and our three patrons.



TENISON WOODS BACK TO Nature

Getting back to nature allows students to feel connected to the land as well as develop a allows students to not only feel



SURFING AT GOOLWA

A final celebration. surfing provides students with the opportunity to demonstrate the independence and confidence they have gained across the TOEP program.

LEADERSHIP POSITIONS



SCHOOL CAPTAIN

Display a positive attitude towards the school, including a commitment to the school's mission and values.



HOUSE LEADERS

Model the values of our House Patrons at key events throughout the year including Sports Day.



SPIRIT LEADERS

Be a positive role model with the ability to inspire other students and gain the respect of their peers.



MUSIC CAPTAINS

Demonstrate a willingness to help coordinate specific music events throughout the year.



ECO WARRIORS

Display a keen sense of responsibility and a demonstrated commitment to caring for the environment..



STUDENT LEADERS

Demonstrate a high level of motivation including a willingness to work with and learn from their peers.

BUILDING INDEPENDENCE



YEAR 3
TEAM BUILDING

This is a whole day excursion to Woodhouse. Here students develop the resilience as well as confidence to take on Challenge Hill.



YEAR 4
1 NIGHT CAMP

This camp provides students with the opportunity to begin to develop strong connections with their peers. It is a great start to their senior years of primary school.



YEAR 5
2 NIGHT CAMP

This two night camp to Wirraway is focussed on developing independence. Students participate in a range of activities that are designed to push them out of their comfort zone in a supportive environment.



YEAR 6
3 NIGHT CAMP

The three night four day camp to Kangaroo Island is strongly focussed on creating a unique Year 6 experience for our students. Kicking off our TOEP program this camp allows students to grow in both independence and confidence.

Thank you

If you have any questions, please come
and speak to us now or feel free to
email Emma Fowler or Jodie Higgins