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## **HISTORY OF ASSUMPTION**

Prior to the foundation of Assumption Catholic Primary School there had been two attempts made by the Presentation Sisters to establish a Catholic School in Mandurah. In 1955, two sisters started a school in the Parish Church. This continued until 1959 when, due to the drowning of three Presentation Sisters in a boating accident, the sisters were forced to close the school.

In 1962, just three years later, the Presentation Sisters again opened a Catholic School in Mandurah - this time in a small cottage on land adjoining the present site of the Presentation Convent. Due to declining numbers of students and extreme financial hardship without Government assistance, the sisters were again forced to close the school.

Assumption Catholic Primary School is the third and most successful establishment of a Catholic School in Mandurah. It was planned by the Catholic Education Commission that a new Catholic systemic school would be developed in stages. It was to be under the Principalship of a Presentation Sister.

In 1982, the school opened with 91 children from Years 1 to 6. The following year, the enrolments increased to 150 with the addition of a Year 7 class. An on-going

building programme over subsequent years has seen the school develop to a two-streamed Kindergarten - Year 6 school. In 1998 our school came under the leadership of its first lay principal.

The Primary School is situated on a 10 acre site in Gordon Road, Mandurah. Students are mainly drawn from the Mandurah area.

## **FACILITIES**

Assumption Catholic Primary School is a modern, well equipped Primary School including a new Library, large Undercover Assembly Area, Multi Purpose Room, Art area and fully equipped Computer Lab.

## **BOARD OF MANAGEMENT**

Responsibility for the overall Financial Management of Assumption Catholic Primary School is entrusted by the Catholic Education Office to a School Board. The School Board includes parents and other community members.

All matters relating to the curriculum, discipline and the running of Assumption is the responsibility of the Principal. The school has a shared Leadership Model with two Assistant Principals (Administration and Religious Education) assisting the Principal in organising the internal operations of the school.

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## **PARENTS & FRIENDS ASSOCIATION**

The P & F plays a very important role in the life of the school. It promotes the Catholic ethos of the school through all it is involved. The Association raises funds for school resources, organises social events for the School Community, assist the Canteen and Uniform Shop, and organises busy bees. All parents are encouraged to become members of the Association and are expected to support its many activities.


## **ENROLMENT POLICY**

Assumption Catholic Primary School is committed to total development of the child within a caring environment based on Catholic ideals and principals. Enrolments follow the philosophy and procedures of our school's Enrolment Policy. A copy of the Enrolment Policy is given to each enrolling family and it is essential that this be read prior to enrolment.

Parents of children must have an appreciation of the Christian values for which the school stands and promote and support these values.

If a child other than Catholic is admitted to the school, he/she will be permitted to continue throughout the Primary School. Admittance does not guarantee enrolment at a Catholic Secondary School.

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## ACADEMIC SUBJECTS

An emphasis is placed on communication skills, literacy and numeracy skills, physical education, science, social studies, health, computers and cultural development.

## GROOMING POLICY

Assumption Catholic Primary School has a Policy that correct uniform must be worn at all times and that children present themselves well. All items of school uniform, except shoes, can be purchased through the school.

## FEES

Assumption Catholic Primary School is a fee paying school. Fees are compulsory and payable in two equal instalments as follows:

*First Semester Fee* payment is due and payable six weeks from commencement of Term 1.

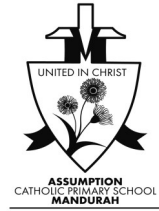
*Second Semester Fee* payment is due and payable six weeks from commencement of Term 3.

Variations to these terms of payment can only be made through an appointment with the Principal. Attempts to vary terms of payment via notes or telephone calls to the office cannot be accepted.

An Application fee of \$35 applies to each new enrolment application.

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