

Mission Statement

MARY HELP OF CHRISTIANS SCHOOL AND STUDENTS

Mary Help of Christians School:

- Values the worth of each child.
- Encourages students' faith development.
- Is a place where students are encouraged to uphold Christ's values in their daily lives.
- Challenges each student to strive for personal excellence in all areas of human growth.
- Values, accepts and respects each student as a unique creation of God.
- Provides a variety of learning opportunities to develop competency in the range of knowledge and skills necessary for the student to participate fully as Australian Catholics and Christians in contemporary society.
- Endeavours to cater for students with special needs.
- Promotes a sense of belonging to all students regardless of culture and background.
- Assists each child to develop a sense of their own worth.
- Encourages students to respect and care for the gift of God's creation.

MARY HELP OF CHRISTIANS SCHOOL & PARENTS

Mary Help of Christians School:

- Acknowledges parents as the prime educators of their child.
- Endeavours to work together in partnership with parents in the education of their child.
- Accepts the diversity of family units in contemporary society.
- Encourages parents to participate in all aspects of school life.
- Invites parents to become involved in the decision making process of the school.
- Endeavours to provide parents with up-to-date information regarding school.
- Considers families in need with regard to such issues as enrolment, collection of fees, uniform, excursions and time of crisis.

MARY HELP OF CHRISTIANS SCHOOL & STAFF

Mary Help of Christians School:

- Aims to uphold Christ's values in the way they relate to one another, the students, the parents and the school community.
- Is committed to the Religious Education and faith development of the students in their care.
- Works together with the parish community to promote and celebrate the mission of the Catholic Church.
- Aims to maintain a high standard in the performance of their work.
- Administers discipline with regard to the dignity of the human person.
- Endeavours to listen to and understand local community concerns.

MARY HELP OF CHRISTIANS SCHOOL & PARISH

Mary Help of Christians School:

- Operates in partnership with the parish as a centre of religious education and faith development.
- Acknowledges the role and responsibility of the Parish Priest in the faith development of students.
- Acknowledges its role as part of parish community and encourages participation in parish events.
- Provides easy access to school facilities by parish community.
- Aims to maintain and foster its relationship with the parish community.

MARY HELP OF CHRISTIANS SCHOOL & COMMUNITY

Mary Help of Christians School:

- Is a caring community committed to building quality relationships.
- Aims to promote the development of God's Kingdom on earth by upholding Gospel values.
- Aims to develop an awareness of the need to strive for peace and justice both in our own community and globally.
- Fosters an awareness of the role and responsibility of the individual as part of a community.
- Fosters the development of civic and national pride.
- Fosters links with the wider community.

MARY HELP OF CHRISTIANS SCHOOL & RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Mary Help of Christians School:

- Believes that the Catholic school has Christ as the centre of its life and purpose.
- Recognises that Religious Education within the school has both an evangelical and catechetical role.
- Fosters the growth of faith at the personal and community levels through the celebration of Christ's presence in prayer and liturgy.
- Provides a Religious program at appropriate levels of understanding.
- Provides opportunities for students, parents and teachers to deepen their knowledge and love of Jesus Christ.
- Recognises that faith development is a life long process.
- Fosters the development of attitudes and values within the school community encouraging growth in faith.
- Promotes development of personal prayer life and a sacramental relationship with God.