

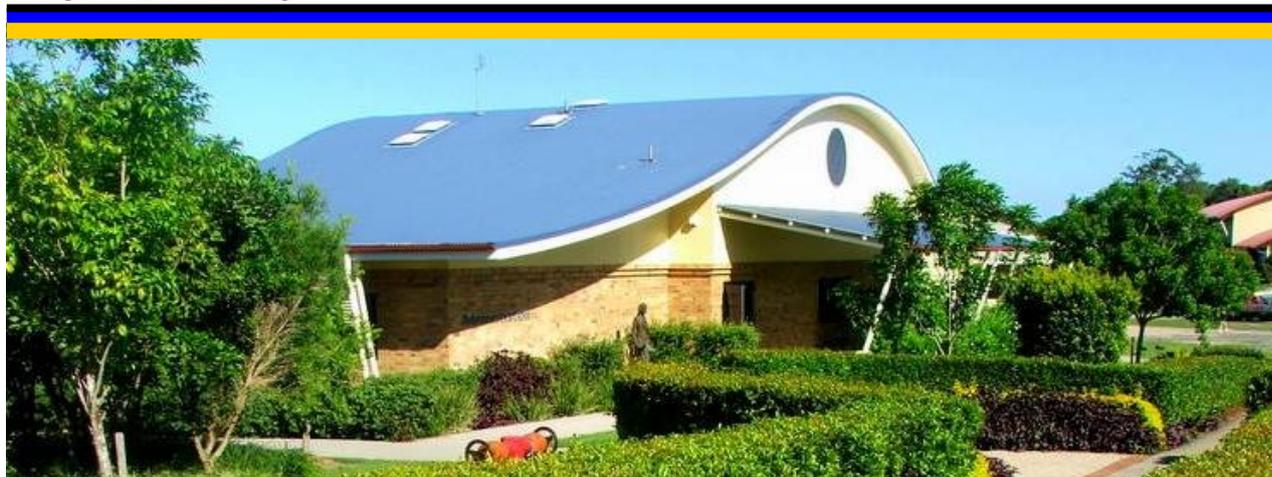


*Siena*

*Catholic Primary School*

*58 Sippy Downs Drive*

*Sippy Downs*



## 2007 ANNUAL SCHOOL REPORT

### MANDATORY REPORTING

All schools in Queensland are required to report basic information to parents and the school community on an annual basis. This information provides parents, staff, children and the community with meaningful information about the school's activities throughout each school year. Our Siena Primary Annual School Report complies with government requirements with the following headings.

### DESCRIPTIVE INFORMATION

Siena Catholic Primary School is an Archdiocesan co-educational P-7 school. It is administered by Brisbane Catholic Education. Siena is located at the back of the Sunshine Coast waterfront at Sippy Downs, next to the University of the Sunshine Coast. Siena Primary shares the same school site as Siena Catholic College. School details are:

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### 2007 ENROLMENTS

School population for 2007 was 563 students with enrolments in these classes:

	PREP	Yr 1	Yr 2	Yr 3	Yr 4	Yr 5	Yr 6	Yr 7	TOTAL FTE
<b>Numbers</b>	50	81	81	81	90	60	60	60	563
<b>Streams</b>	2	3	3	3	3	2	2	2	20

## CURRICULUM OFFERINGS

- Siena Primary School implements an outcomes based curriculum following the Queensland Studies Authority syllabus documents. Our emphasis firstly is to enjoy wanting to come to school before cognitive learning is able to be established. Developing the basic fundamentals of Literacy and Numeracy is at the core of developing a platform for establishing early learning success. Curriculum across the school is organised into:

Religious Education  
 English  
 Mathematics  
 Connected Units (The Arts, Science, SOSE, Technology and Health)  
 Music  
 Physical Education  
 Italian



- Extra Curricular activities** offer a diverse range of additional learning opportunities for children in the school with the following activities on offer:

### CULTURAL

Art Classes  
 School Choir  
 RAW Art  
 Piano  
 Guitar  
 Brass and Wind  
 Violin  
 Arts Council  
 Musica Viva  
 Eisteddfod

### SPORT

Rugby  
 Soccer  
 Tennis coaching  
 Netball  
 Swimming  
 Surf Skills  
 Cross Country  
 Aus Kick  
 Year 7 Dancing

### ACADEMIC

Readers Cup  
 Life Education  
 Book Week Activities  
 Class Camps  
 Voices on the Coast  
 Excursions  
 Culminating Days  
 Chess Club  
 Robotics  
 TOM  
 Maths Enrichment  
 Maths Solve It



- At Siena, the word CARE is integral to who we are and what we do. Care of Self, Care of Others, Care of our Learning and Care for our School become the fundamentals of our Behaviour Management Policy. This is used to assist focusing on who we are and how we treat others. Developing common understandings about how we care for ourselves and others assists in creating **productive partnerships** that foster a vibrant school atmosphere that encourages active high quality teaching and learning. All children are regularly exposed to a program called *You Can Do It* to assist in developing responsible choices with their behaviours.
- Parents are respected as the first and foremost educators of their children. Many opportunities exist in the school for parental participation at both the **operational and organisational** aspects of school life. The daily classroom support received from parents enriches the quality of learning happening across the school. Parents contribute with organisational aspects of school life with the Siena Schools Board, Parent and Friends, Class Parent Reps, Finance and Education Committees. Such contributions add value to the richness of skills a community brings to developing Productive Partnerships that benefit children's learning. This knowledge of learning comes from having an explicit understanding of the what and how of learning happening in the school.

**PROFESSIONAL ENGAGEMENT**

- **Teaching Qualifications**

Qualifications	Numbers	Percentage
Doctorate/Post Graduate	1	3%
Masters	6	17%
Bachelor/Graduate Diploma	34	97%
Diploma	25	71%
Certificate	4	11%
<b>Total Teaching Staff</b>	<b>35</b>	



- **2007 Professional Learning**

Teacher Release days 105 days

Funding allocated to Professional Learning \$ 43,500

Professional Learning emphasis:

- P M Benchmarking using technology
- First Steps Reading & Writing
- Prep Reporting
- Year Level Curriculum Planning
- Hands On Maths
- Mission
- Induction of New Staff
- Gifted Education
- Technology Support
- Special Education Support
- Reggio Emilia Conference
- Ian Lillico Homework Grid
- Permaculture Gardening
- Arts Workshop
- NET Training
- School Literacy Program
- Rainbows Support
- Spirituality



- **Staff attendance** for 2007 was 96.35 %

- **Staff Retention** for 2007 was 93.33%





### KEY STUDENT OUTCOMES

- Average **student attendance** for the year: Males 95.2 %  
Females 95.6 %
- **2007 Learning Benchmarks**  
The 2007 Queensland Test Results indicate student performances in Year 3, 5 and 7 Qld Tests with the following results:

CLASS	LEARNING AREA	SCHOOL AVERAGE	STATE AVERAGE	ABOVE NATIONAL BENCHMARK 2006	ABOVE NATIONAL BENCHMARK 2007
YEAR 3	NUMERACY	514	521	95%	97%
	READING	534	527	99%	96%
	WRITING	533	523	97%	95%
	SPELLING	529	528	N/A	N/A
YEAR 5	NUMERACY	592	588	91%	86%
	READING	616	606	95%	90%
	WRITING	620	600	98%	97%
	SPELLING	630	603	N/A	N/A
YEAR 7	NUMERACY	694	648	86%	97%
	READING	702	672	93%	95%
	WRITING	693	681	100%	98%
	SPELLING	711	676	N/A	N/A

- **Strategic Renewal Report**  
A full report of 2007 Goals and Achievements is accessible on the school website [www.sienaprimary.qld.edu.au](http://www.sienaprimary.qld.edu.au) and click on Strategic Renewal.

