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Principal's foreword

Introduction

Glenvale Christian School has consolidated the spiritual, social, academic and personal growth of its students and the support base of parents, staff and board. A caring, safe and nurturing environment is a feature of the school with great parent and community involvement. This year (2009) will see much infrastructure activity with the proposed building of more parking area, a new multi-purpose tennis court, a 2.2 kW photovoltaic solar system, a 7000 L water tank and landscaping around classrooms including an enclosed vegetable garden area for students. A main 90000 L concrete water tank is planned to be built with an extensive distribution system set to be completed early in 2010. We thank God for these anticipated provisions and for His work in the school and its people.

Future outlook

We look forward to the future with continued growth including the building of the library, which is anticipated to be completed by July 2010. We also anticipate the establishment of a kindy during the latter part of 2010, which will ensure further growth.

Our school at a glance

School Profile

Total student enrolments for this school: 60

Year levels offered: Prep to Yr 7

Coeducational or single sex: Coeducational

Curriculum offerings

Our distinctive curriculum offerings: Solid literacy and numeracy program with LEM Phonics throughout the school. Thematic term approach integrating all subject areas. There is a Special Needs program

Extra curricula activities:

Swimming

Gymnastics

Athletics

Gross Country

Upper Grade Excursions

Senior Primary School Camp

Computers are used to extend learning focusing on basic literacy and numeracy and Research in assignments and projects.

Social climate

Glenvale Christian School is a close knit community with very good relationships between students and staff. Parent involvement and feedback is high between parents and teachers with a high level of satisfaction.

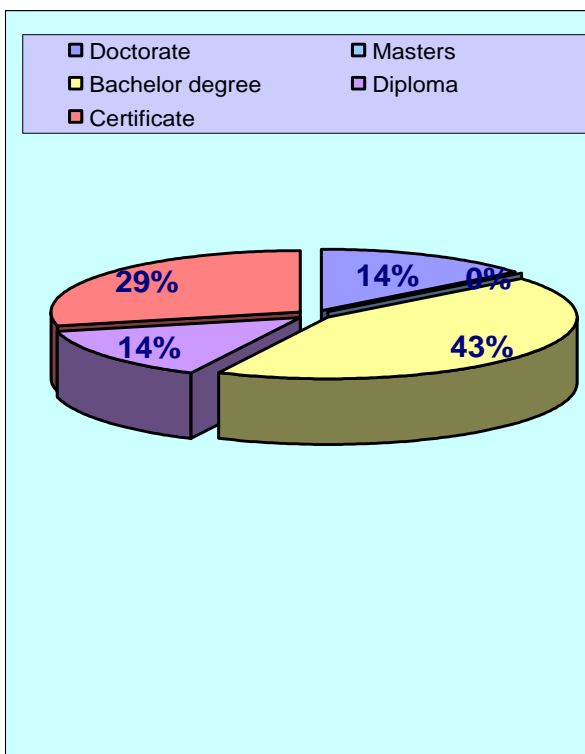
Involving parents in their child's education.

There is high parent involvement with the school and its various classroom and extra-curricular activities. There is an open school policy whereby parents or prospective parents can come and see what is happening and also be involved in the children under the direction of teachers. In the upper grades parents are encouraged to give feedback on students' classwork and homework.

Our staff profile

Qualifications of all teachers.

Highest level of attainment	Number of classroom teachers and school leaders at the school
Doctorate	1
Masters	0
Bachelor degree	3
Diploma	1
Certificate	2



Expenditure on and teacher participation in professional development.

- The total fund expended on teacher professional development in 2008 was \$3540. The major professional development initiatives are as follows: Teacher conferences, curriculum development, autism Spectrum, ADHD
- The involvement of the teaching staff in professional development activities during 2008 was 100 %.

Average staff attendance

- For permanent and temporary staff and school leaders the staff attendance rate was 96% in 2008.

Proportion of staff retained from the previous school year.

- From the end of the 2007 school year, 75 % of staff were retained by the school for the entire 2008 school year.

Performance of our students

Student attendance

The average attendance rate as a percentage in 2008 was 95%.

Key outcomes

National Assessment Program – Literacy and Numeracy (NAPLAN) results - our reading, writing, spelling, grammar and punctuation, and numeracy results for the Years 3, 5, 7 and 9.

Domain	Measures		Yr 3	Yr 5	Yr 7	
Reading	Average score for the school		352	470	459	
	Average score for Queensland		371.1	466.1	528.1	
	For the school the percentage of students at or above the national minimum standard.	2008	63 %	78%	100 %	
Writing	Average score for the school		389	474	465	
	Average score for Queensland		391.8	468.9	522.7	
	For the school the percentage of students at or above the national minimum standard.	2008	100%	100%	100%	
Spelling	Average score for the school		365	449	533	
	Average score for Queensland		366.7	462.0	528.0	
	For the school the percentage of students at or above the national minimum standard.	2008	75 %	78%	100 %	
Grammar and Punctuation	Average score for the school		336	469	483	
	Average score for Queensland		370.4	476.6	518.0	
	For the school the percentage of students at or above the national minimum standard.	2008	50%	89%	100 %	
Numeracy	Average score for the school		354	480	476	
	Average score for Queensland		367.9	458.2	539.0	
	For the school the percentage of students at or above the national minimum standard.	2008	63%	89%	100%	

Performance of our students

Results in the Year 2 Diagnostic Net	No Results
	Percentage of students not requiring additional support
Reading	
Writing	
Number	

Value added

A number of activities like the bus trips to PCYC and the local swimming pool and sporting ovals involving gymnastics, basketball, self-defence, swimming lessons and athletics add value to the children's school experience .

Parent, student and teacher satisfaction with the school

Feedback from parents through talking and writing letters to staff and the board indicate satisfaction with the school.