




**ST JOSEPH'S SCHOOL – TIMARU
STRATEGIC PLAN (2009 – 2011)**

 <p>Our Mission</p>	<p>Enter to Learn – Live to Serve</p>
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 <p>Our Charism</p>	<p>Service – Compassion – Concern for the Needy Respect – Justice - Hospitality</p>
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<p>Our Vision</p>	<p>At St Joseph's School we acknowledge that Catholic Education is part of a life-long process leading to a full and rewarding life.</p>
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To achieve this our students will . . .

- grow in friendship with Jesus Christ and walk in his footsteps
- use numeracy and literacy skills as a foundation to successful learning
- make informed decisions and solve problems
- communicate effectively and relate to others
- be confident in their ability to realise their dreams
- make a difference in the school and community

<p>Our Shared Values</p>	<p>To live the Gospel values, especially . . .</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Caring and empathy • Respect • Inclusiveness • Happiness • Commitment • Acceptance of individual differences
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<p>CORE BELIEFS</p>	<p>At St Joseph's we acknowledge that Catholic education is part of a life-long process leading to a full and rewarding life. We believe this will be achieved by:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • fostering faith, hope and love • promoting the dignity of each person within a caring community • providing a rich and relevant learning environment • helping individuals reach their potential • encouraging interaction between family, school, parish and the wider community • striving for excellence and celebrating success
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Student Achievement Goals	Students' development of the Key Competencies will be enhanced as they strive for excellence through <ul style="list-style-type: none">• giving priority to the provision of Literacy and Numeracy programmes to promote student achievement• developing the use of effective assessment practices to improve student learning.• developing a skills profile for students at St Joseph's School at each level as the St Joseph's School Curriculum is developed.• reviewing and developing teaching and learning strategies which promote higher level thinking through the Integrated Studies programme
Building Capabilities Goals	Develop the capability of our high quality professional staff to focus on meeting the spiritual, educational and administrative needs of the school through <ul style="list-style-type: none">• providing professional development that is meaningful and that informs teaching and learning through whole staff development• investigating using teachers curriculum strengths to develop specialisation in some areas Develop the leadership skills of all students through <ul style="list-style-type: none">• providing opportunities to practice and develop leadership and service through participating in groups such as the Green Team, Health Team, School Council, Vinnies etc
Resourcing Goals	Provide a safe, welcoming and professional learning environment that meets the current and future needs of students and teachers. through <ul style="list-style-type: none">• developing a multipurpose building with the Proprietor that meets the needs of our Curriculum with a variety of teaching spaces• develop ICT resources that meet students future learning needs Have a physical environment that reflects our Catholic special character and use of environmentally friendly practices. <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Develop environmentally friendly practices through following the Enviroschools model
Special Character Goals	To ensure St Joseph's School is identified as a quality Catholic School in the life of the Catholic Parish of Timaru North by <ul style="list-style-type: none">• developing and maintaining closer links with the parish community• delivering a quality Religious Education Programme that is closely aligned with the New Zealand Curriculum