



St Joseph's School
CHELSEA

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**ARE YOU INTERESTED IN FINDING OUT MORE ABOUT YOUR CHILD'S
SCHOOL?**

**ARE YOU INTERESTED IN HAVING INPUT INTO THE FUTURE DIRECTION OF
ST JOSEPH'S PRIMARY SCHOOL CHELSEA?**

**COME ALONG TO THE SCHOOL ADVISORY COUNCIL ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING
ON**

Tuesday 26th March at 6.15pm 2024 Sharp IN THE LIBRARY.

An outline of the functions of SACs can be obtained below
[SACS Terms of Reference](#).

Meetings are 6 times a year (an hour or so) and you just need to be interested in the welfare of the School to join.

School Advisory Councils are advisory bodies which form an important expression of the educational partnership that exists between parents, schools, parishes and the wider community to support all students.

This partnership is reflected in the ex-officio membership of both the principal and the parish priest on the council. What the council does is directed by the MACS board through the Terms of Reference for School Advisory Councils.

The School Advisory Council provides a forum for discussion and discernment, where parent voice and community perspective are available to influence and support the decisions made by the principal and parish priest for the good of school and parish where students' wellbeing and outcomes are paramount.

The Board of Melbourne Archdiocese Catholic Schools Ltd (MACS) has responsibility for the strategic direction and oversight of the operation and management of MACS schools, including St Joseph's PS Chelsea. Clear lines of authority, reporting and delegation from the MACS Board through the MACS Executive Director delegate the day to day operational management of St Joseph's PS Chelsea to its principal.

In keeping with the objects of the MACS Constitution, which states “The good work Of educating the young, undertaken in the light of the Gospel, is a co-responsible task led by every member of the Catholic school community” the School Advisory Council provides a crucial point of connection between the wider school community and school leaders.

While the School Advisory Council does not have governance responsibility or decision-making authority, it supports the principal and school leadership and provides an important connection to the parish. It is not a governing body but its role is to support the overall governance of the system as it “is to give consideration to, and advice on, important school matters in order to support the principal and the strategic interest of the school.” (Working Together in Mission p.11)

Current members of the Council include:

Fr Kevin Williams, June Pereria, Kevin Pound, Gavan O'Donnell, Lisa Kniese, Chris Espinoza, Greig Barrow, Franklin Foot

If you wish to nominate for the Council please complete this form:

[Expression of Interest to be a Member of the School Advisory Council 2024 - St Joseph's Chelsea](#)



All nominations will need to be made within 24 hours of the Annual General Meeting on the above form.

PLEASE NOTE: ALL APPLICANTS WILL NEED TO BE INTERVIEWED BY MEMBER/S OF THE SCHOOL ADVISORY COUNCIL. NOMINATIONS MUST BE RECEIVED BEFORE THE AGM Tuesday 26th March 2024

SCHOOL ADVISORY COUNCIL (Previously Parish Education Board) ACTIVITIES OVER THE LAST COUPLE OF YEARS.

- Building and Refurbishments
- Finances - Funding
- Supporting the establishment of PEAT (Parent Engagement Action Team) - Conversation Hour
- Setting of Fees and Levies
- Curriculum Development
- School policies
- School Structures
- Enrolments
- Student Well Being
- St Joseph's Twilight Fete
- St Joseph's Market Day
- Annual Report to the Community
- Community Events
- After School Care onsite
- Faith Development of the Children