

## **ST IGNATIUS TEACHER PROFILE**

St Ignatius Catholic School looks for the following characteristics in the teachers it appoints to work in its school.

A Role Model for Catholic Education.	<ul> <li>The teacher is an educational leader who encourages excellence in all students through best practices, infused with Catholic social teaching.</li> <li>The teacher understands, supports, and implements the mission of Catholic education in St Ignatius Catholic School.</li> <li>The teacher collaborates and cooperates with other members of the staff in promoting and enhancing the religious character of the educational experiences provided for students.</li> <li>The teacher understands and applies essential skills, central concepts and integrates Catholic social teachings and Gospel values in their subject matter and in interactions with students and the school community.</li> </ul>
A Commitment to pupils and their learning, guided by Catholic values.	<ul> <li>A positive and disciplined approach is used at all times, mutual respect is continually fostered.</li> <li>Planning is completed punctually according to school guidelines.</li> <li>Teaching shows good understanding and use of the school's written curriculum and policies.</li> <li>There is appropriate preparation and use of resources.</li> <li>Lessons are suitably differentiated for levels of ability and learning styles.</li> <li>Pupils understand lesson objectives and have an opportunity to reflect on and evaluate their learning.</li> <li>Opportunities are made for pupils to develop skills in teamwork and collaborative learning.</li> <li>Effort is made to make lessons enjoyable and relevant to the pupils.</li> <li>Opportunities are made to promote intercultural understanding.</li> <li>Classroom is organised, stimulating and attractive.</li> <li>Pupils' work is well displayed and changed regularly.</li> <li>Pupils are encouraged to continue their learning independently.</li> <li>Additional staff are included within planning and utilized efficiently.</li> </ul>

## An ability to create a successful learning environment.

- Values scholarship and enjoys engendering the love of learning in others.
- Enjoys working collaboratively with students in the pursuit of knowledge.
- Gives generously of his/her time to support students academically.
- Teaches students how to learn, how to evaluate information, how to develop sound judgment, and how to make wise choices.
- Assists students to acquire the skills and attitudes necessary for success in further education and employment in a highly competitive world.
- Facilitates the development of a Catholic social perspective and an appreciation of our calling to help others through service.

- Pupils' progress is continuously assessed using a variety of methods.
- Records of progress are maintained which can communicate success and development to pupils, parents and colleagues.
- School requirements for record keeping and assessment are completed punctually.
- Pupils' success and next steps are communicated to them and their parents effectively.
- Monitoring the well-being of each child and recording any significant information.
- Providing opportunities for pupils to discuss personal and social issues e.g. organization of class meetings / circle time.

## A commitment to reflection and improvement of personal practice.

- Participation in the school's performance management programme.
- Sharing expertise with colleagues.
- Collaborating with colleagues in planning and reflective practise.
- Seeking opportunities to extend expertise and keep abreast of current ideas.
- Participation in in-service activities, external courses and conferences.

## An active involvement in the school as a whole and in its on-going improvement.

- Supporting and promoting the school's mission statement.
- Maintaining co-operative, supportive professional relationships with the entire school community.
- Taking an active role in school improvement initiatives.
- Attending and contributing to all required meetings.
- Performing break-time supervision as directed.
- Contributing to the school's extra-curricular programme.
- Encouraging parental interest and involvement in the school and supporting HSA events.
- Being familiar with school policies and being able to answer everyday queries of parents.