

St Anthony's Parish Primary School, Kedron

Enrolment Policy

St Anthony's Kedron was established by the Franciscan Sisters and Friars and the people of the Kedron Parish to provide for the educational needs of the children of Parish families. The primary purpose of the school is to nurture and educate the whole child through and by the principles, traditions and teachings of the church and within a Franciscan community of faith. Enrolment at St Anthony's is Prep to Year 4 for boys and Prep to Year 6 for girls.

Applications for enrolment (at all levels) are welcomed during any time of the school year. In assisting the school to plan for each year, the following procedures exist for prep enrolments and all other year level enrolments.

Prepatory year (Prep):

An invitation to enrol siblings for Prep is provided through the school newsletter and on the website at the beginning of the school year prior to them starting prep. All parents who want their enrolment to be considered under the enrolment priority criteria 1 will be required to complete appropriate enrolment procedures by 28th February of the year prior to the commencement of Prep.

After this date, sibling enrolments will be processed with the other applications through priority criteria 2-6.

All other year levels:

Applications for enrolment may be submitted to the school at any time. An interview with the Principal will be held to determine the availability of places in the year level of enrolment. Once a vacancy has been confirmed, and an interview has occurred, a letter of offer will be posted to the family.

Enrolment at St Anthony's Kedron does not guarantee acceptance of enrolment at Padua or Mt Alvernia.

In recognition of the importance of the relationship between the Catholic School and the Parish Community, and with due reference to Archdiocesan policies and practices, the following criteria are adopted to establish priorities for accepting enrolments.

Enrolment Priority Criteria

- 1. Siblings of students already enrolled at and attending St Anthony's.
- 2. Child is a Baptised Catholic whose family can demonstrate ongoing involvement in the life, worship and service of the Parish of Kedron and reside within the parish boundaries.

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- 3. Child is a Baptised Catholic whose family can demonstrate ongoing involvement in the life, worship and service of the Parish of Kedron and reside outside the parish boundaries.
- 4. Child is a Baptised Catholic whose family can demonstrate ongoing involvement in the life, worship and service of another Parish outside of Kedron.
- 5. Child, though not Baptised Catholic, belongs to a family with a demonstrated affiliation with Christian values and traditions residing within Parish boundaries.
- 6. Child, though not Baptised Catholic, belongs to a family with a demonstrated affiliation with Christian values and traditions residing outside Parish boundaries.

The Principal may exercise discretion regarding applications where pastoral considerations apply, and therefore, may determine a child's eligibility beyond the stated criteria.

Conditions of Enrolment

- 1. Families accept the St Anthony's School enrolment policy.
- 2. The student participates in the school curriculum which includes nine key learning areas, camps, excursions and sport.
- 3. Parents commit to:
 - a. continue their involvement in the life, worship and service of the parish and give their child every opportunity to experience the fullness of their faith.
 - b. Support and encourage the living out of the Gospel values.
 - c. Accept and support all school policies and procedures, including uniform and behaviour, to ensure effective management of school and safety and welfare of children and visitors.
 - d. Working in cooperation with school personnel for the benefit of the child.
 - e. Payment of school fees and charges.
 - f. Taking responsibility to disclose all relevant information regarding a child's diverse needs at time of making application for enrolment.