The School Motto, *Spiritus Scientiae* is taken from (1 Corinthians Chapter 12). Saint Paul regarded the *Spirit of Knowledge* as one of God's gifts to His people and, as such, this motto seemed eminently in keeping with the School's objective of imparting knowledge to its students through the auspices of the Holy Spirit.

**SCHOOL MISSION STATEMENT**

Within a framework of Christian values provide the challenging and supportive learning experience that achieves the best outcome for the individual. The School offers an education that caters to the individual needs of its students and proudly promotes Christian values. To ensure the development of each student, emphasis is given:

- discipline that is firm but fair;
- to respect and be responsible for oneself and for each other;
- to participate in co-curricular activities and service;

The combined intention of which is the development of a commitment towards responsible citizenship.

There is a strong tradition of co-operation and friendship between parents and staff in the School. The process of education is a combined operation, with School and home each playing an important part. The School expects to contribute to the full intellectual, physical, social, aesthetic, moral and spiritual development of each student.
Co-curricular Activities:
Our vibrant co-curricular program is inclusive of various sporting clubs, chess, arts & crafts, science club, artists in residence, visiting performers and an Outdoor Education program aimed to develop our students’ decision making, sense of team, communication skills, and resilience along with a healthy dose of good fun.

Highlights of the Junior School calendar include Grandparents morning, International Day, Science Week (CSIRO), Fun With Maths, Book Week, Outdoor Education/Activities Week, Under Eights Week, Eisteddfod, Days of Excellence, a number of community Service activities, Artist in Residence and the Schools ‘Splendour of the Arts’ and Literary Festival.

Sport
A number of sporting clubs offer a range of skills and experiences throughout the year, including Netball, Football, and Basketball supplemented by Auskick, Milo Cricket, Rookies to Reds and our Inter-House Sports program. The Inter-House Sports program involves sub-School and whole School Inter-House activities such as athletics, ball games, and swimming. There is an emphasis on fun and participation in the majority of these events.

Other Activities
There are a number of other after-School pursuits for Junior School students to engage in apart from sport; these include Science Club, KidsPlus (arts & crafts), Brainiacs, Choir and Dance. In Year Four, students are invited to be part of the Junior School OptiMinds groups competing against other Mackay schools.

Outdoor Education/Activities Week
Students in Years Three and Four are introduced to the School’s Outdoor Education program with off-campus camps of two to three nights. There is an emphasis on team building, problem solving, collaborative activities, environmental issues, and outdoor pursuits leading to the development and enhancement of the foundations of cooperation, persistence and resilience as well as conservation.

Kindergarten to Year Two spend Activities Week at School pursuing a variety of off-campus and school-based activities including arts & crafts, environmental education, overnight sleep overs, beach activities and fishing excursions.

Outside School Hours Care and Vacation Care
Before & After School Care and Vacation Care is offered to families with students in the Junior School. Before & After Kindergarten Care is another service provided for families.

In-School excursions
All excursions are specifically organised to enhance and enrich the subjects under study for all year levels; they will occur at various times throughout the year in conjunction with appropriate subject areas.
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LIVING by FAITH
LEADING with SERVICE