

# St Kevin's Catholic Primary School, Dee Why Vision Statement

## United in love and challenged by our call to Catholic discipleship, we are committed to developing a community of learners in a safe school environment where the values of acceptance, compassion, dignity and hope are embraced and cultural diversity is celebrated.

Therefore our aim is to:

### Promote Catholic discipleship by

- proclaiming, witnessing and celebrating the Gospel message of Jesus Christ
- providing opportunities, through prayer and liturgy, for personal and communal response to God
- sharing knowledge and developing an appreciation of Catholic history, traditions and rituals in a contemporary setting
- acknowledging our place as part of St Kevin's Parish, the Broken Bay Diocese and the wider Catholic Church.

#### Nurture a rich learning environment which

- fosters the partnership between home and school
- develops and celebrates the gifts and talents of all members of our community
- provides meaningful learning experiences that recognise individual differences
- promotes learning which is respectful, relational and encourages responsibility
- supports, challenges and encourages students to take risks
- recognises that mistakes and failures are invitations to change and learn
- promotes a culture of reflection
- envisages learning as a life long process
- acknowledges the importance of appropriate resources to support learning.

#### Foster a safe school environment which

- promotes positive self esteem
- encourages respectful relationships
- ensures that individuals feel secure in their identity within the school
- promotes confident sharing of ideas and opinions
- enables free and safe movement within the limited school environment.

#### Build a culture where the values of acceptance, compassion, dignity and hope

- are witnessed along with all Gospel values
- are present in our acknowledgement of the heritages, traditions and beliefs of different cultures
- underpin our policy and practice.

## Embrace and develop a school community

- promoting positive interactions and communication among the school, parish and the wider community
- fostering a culture of hospitality and welcome
- providing opportunities to celebrate as a community
- raising an awareness of social justice issues and calling individuals to action.