# Margaret River Senior High School



# Strategic Plan 2015-2017

Accepted and Endorsed by School Board 19th June 2015

### **School Context for Business Plan**

Margaret River Senior High School is a vibrant school that aims to maximise the full potential of all our students. The school is regularly placed in the "top performing Schools" awards that recognises schools in Western Australia with exceptional student achievement, in both tertiary and non tertiary pathways of study.

At Margaret River Senior High School we believe that a quality education is not just about academic achievement but also about nurturing, encouraging and challenging our students to be active and responsible contributors to our community.

Our aims are to provide an education:

- For the whole person
- At levels above state standards
- That enables students to participate in the world beyond school.

Our experienced and dedicated staff provide an exceptional curriculum that is diverse, challenging and caters for the wide range of our student needs.

The School offers a comprehensive curriculum in lower school and has an extensive range on Tertiary and Non Tertiary courses in Year 11 and 12, including several Vocational Programs.

Our co-curricular programme is exceptional, providing challenging and enjoyable activities such as drama, debating, photography, dance, outdoor education, music, information technology and visual arts and an extensive range of sports.

We believe that our well-planned, proactive Pastoral Care programs ensure that students feel safe, nurtured and supported; vital prerequisites for learning. The School provides intensive and personal expert support services when required. Our teachers strive to recognise individuality, encourage personal excellence and provide learning relevant to each student's future life. Meeting individual needs is our number one priority.

A major strength of the School Community is its strong links and partnerships with parents and the local community. Parents play a key role in planning for the future and participate in all aspects of school life. The strong sense of community and quality of relationships makes Margaret River Senior High an exceptional School.

The school has established partnership with the members of the Margaret River Education Campus (MREC) which includes Edith Cowan University, Curtin University and Southwest Institute of Technology. Shared facilities and expertise have lead to new and innovative programs that enable students to link to TAFE studies, Universities and Workplace Learning.

## MARGARET RIVER SENIOR HIGH SCHOOL - BUSINESS PLAN 2015-2017

#### **School Ethos**

The purpose of our school is to ensure that the academic, creative, social and personal potential of each student develops to the highest possible level.

#### **School Values / Attributes**

We aim to achieve our purpose by developing and displaying the following values and attributes:

- 1. Respect Respect for self, others and the environment
- 2. Honesty
- 3. Independence
- 4. Responsible and Motivated students
- 5. Literate and Numerate students
- 6. Resilient and adaptable students
- 7. Students who aspire for excellence
- 8. Prepared to successfully participate in community membership, education/training and work engagement

#### School Priorities: 2015 – 2017

- 1. Academic Standards High standards of achievement for all students at MRSHS including Education Support and Indigenous students.
- Enrichment
- Student Engagement
- 2. Staff Development
- Peer Review
- Instructional Intelligence
- 3. Student Health and Wellbeing
- Positive Behaviours
- Student Support

#### Maintenance

#### School Promotion – Developing community confidence in MRSHS

- Quality Communication
- Increasing enrolment at MRSHS

#### **Curriculum Planning and Development**

- Australian Curriculum and New WACE Course Development
- Year 7's into High School

### **STAFF BELIEFS**

- 1. At Margaret River Senior High School we care about our students.
- 2. At Margaret River Senior High School we will work together to enhance staff and student development.
- 3. We are proud of Margaret River Senior High School and will actively promote the school, students and wider community.
- 4. We will be enthusiastic, committed to excellence and respectful of self and others.
- 5. We will provide a wide range of learning opportunities to meet the needs of all our students.
- 6. We aim to develop positive life long learners who will actively contribute to our community

#### Overview of self-assessment

Margaret River Senior High School holds regular self-assessment reviews each semester to identify areas of strength, areas for improvement and areas that need strategic planning to cater for future educational trends. Student performance in the Upper School is monitored closely with students being provided with predicted ATAR scores regularly, WACE progress, VET progress and Individual Pathway progress.

The school focuses on encouraging and supporting staff and community members to continue to develop and maintain a wide range of School based and Community based programs and activities to attract and retain students to our school.

The Business Plan and the IPS review are tools for the school's administration to move forward in the period 2015 -2017 and demonstrate that it is a highly successful school. The Review process from the 2012-2014 Business Plan has been the starting point for the 2015 - 2017 Plan.

While self-assessment will focus on gathering appropriate data to make judgements about our performance and inform our strategies for improvement in the indicated focus areas of the document, it will also aim to address the dimensions of a successful school which will form a construct for the external review. This review will be reported to the board on a twice yearly basis and form data for the school's annual report.

These dimensions include:-

- 1. Teacher Development
- 2. Curriculum Development
- 3. Academic Standards
- 4. School Promotion

**Target Areas 2015- 2017** 

Target Area	Benchmark Targets	Aspirational Targets
<ul><li>Year 9 NAPLAN</li><li>Year 9 WAMSE</li></ul>	<ol> <li>Above like schools mean in all 5 categories of NAPLAN testing.</li> <li>Above State mean in 4 out of 5 areas of NAPLAN testing.</li> <li>Above national mean in 4 out of 5 areas of NAPLAN testing.</li> </ol>	<ul> <li>Above Australian Mean in all 5 test areas.</li> <li>Measure of progress as a Target</li> <li>30% in top band</li> <li>Less than 15 % in bottom band</li> <li>At least one standard</li> </ul>
	1. Above "like" schools in the area of progress from Year 7 to Year 9 in NAPLAN testing 3 out of 5 areas	<ul> <li>Above "like" schools in the area of progress from Year 7 to Year 9 in NAPLAN testing in all areas</li> </ul>
<ul><li>WACE/ATAR</li><li>1. Median ATAR</li></ul>	<ol> <li>Median ATAR above like schools</li> <li>Median ATAR above Government Schools average</li> <li>Median ATAR above 77.</li> </ol>	Median ATAR above 80
2. Graduation Rate	1. Graduation rate above 90%	• 100% graduation rate
• VET – Completion Rate	<ol> <li>90% of whole Year 12 VET cohort to achieve full completion of Certificate II and above courses.</li> </ol>	All non ATAR students to complete a Certificate II or above course
Attendance Rate	<ul> <li>Average attendance above state average and Like Schools.</li> <li>65% of students with Regular attendance</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Average attendance rate above 92%</li> <li>70% of students with regular attendance</li> </ul>
National Attainment Rate	1. 5% of students achieving above national average	• 90% National Attainment

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## Operational Plan 2015-2017

Focus Area	Operational Strategies	Milestones / Indicators of Success
Academic Standards Enrichment/ Engagement	<ul> <li>Prioritise FTE usage from SFSA for an Enrichment and Engagement Coordinator.</li> <li>Enrichment and Engagement as Performance Management priority</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Annual appointment of Enrichment and Engagement Coordinator</li> <li>Annual Whole School Enrichment Audit undertaken as part of school self- assessment process.</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>Use of internal and external data systems to identify targeted students for enrichment.</li> <li>Develop Annual Whole School Enrichment Opportunity Calendar.</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>All school priorities embedded into staff Performance Management</li> <li>Every Learning Area has developed strategies to meet the enrichment needs of identified students by 2014</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>Refine future audit information to include:</li> <li>1. Students involved</li> <li>2. Effectiveness of strategies</li> </ul>	An increase in participation in Enrichment and Engagement focused curricular activities and opportunities.
	<ul> <li>Learning Areas to develop procedures and strategies for student enrichment in context.</li> <li>Budget for Enrichment and Engagement Priority area.</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Learning Area Reviews outlining strategies that have been used and analysis of their effectiveness.</li> <li>Audit of Enrichment and Engagement activities that have been financially supported by MRSHS.</li> </ul>
	Alignment of the school's Enrichment strategy to assist students to achieve	Number of students achieving a final scaled score of above 75%

75+ final scaled score in ATAR subjects	• 90% of students complete class work / assignments / homework on a regular basis.
<ul> <li>Use of Good Standing Policy to support student engagement.</li> <li>Development of whole school</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Improve levels of attendance in line with the targets outlined in the business plans.</li> <li>Reduction of negative referrals on the school's Behaviour Management data system.</li> </ul>
strategies to assist with Engagement of all students.	
<ul> <li>Develop Individual Pathway plans for identified students.</li> </ul>	
<ul> <li>Development and implementation of Individual Behaviour Plans for targeted students.</li> </ul>	Number of students who are on Individual Learning or Behaviour plans.
	<ul> <li>Use of Good Standing Policy to support student engagement.</li> <li>Development of whole school strategies to assist with Engagement of all students.</li> <li>Develop Individual Pathway plans for identified students.</li> <li>Development and implementation of Individual Behaviour Plans for</li> </ul>

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Teacher Development	<ul> <li>In School Professional Development for teachers with a clear focus on:</li> <li>I. Instructional Intelligences</li> <li>II. Peer review</li> </ul>	All staff incorporating Instructional Intelligences strategies in classroom practice on a weekly basis.
	(75% of total PD budget expended in this area)	All staff involved in Peer Observation / Peer Support Review.
	EBA meeting time linked to Peer Observation / Support / Review and Instructional Intelligences collaborative learning.	Lesson observation protocol for Peer Observation used by all staff.
	CAT trained staff members to implement Train the Trainer model to enhance feedback for Peer Review strategy	
	<ul> <li>Induction/Mentoring of new staff at MRSHS</li> </ul>	Each new staff member has been linked to an onsite mentor teacher in their first year at MRSHS.
	Implementation of agreed staff commitment to school based procedures.	All staff implementing Staff Consistencies into daily practice.

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Student Health and Wellbeing	Positive Behaviour focus to be included as part of Managing Student Behaviour across the school.	BMiS Policy revamped to include Positive Behavior Strategy by end of 2015.
	Harlibard Wallbara Bar Carata ad Danala a cara	<ul> <li>Three key areas of focus for positive behaviour:</li> <li>Respect</li> <li>Responsibility</li> <li>Resilience,</li> <li>To be incorporated into school's BMiS Plan.</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>Health and Wellbeing Professional Development of key staff, with a focus on Student Services personnel.</li> </ul>	All staff to have been provided PD in relation to Positive behaviours by the completion of 2016.
	<ul> <li>Maintain current resourcing through the Oneline budget in Student Services to provide pastoral support for students.</li> </ul>	
	<ul> <li>Budget allocation to support Positive Behaviours in comparative budget beginning in 2016.</li> </ul>	
	Development of Positive Behaviours Matrix.	
	<ul> <li>Increased use of external agencies to support MRSHS staff in maintaining student wellbeing.</li> </ul>	Audit of number of students accessing support from external providers.
	<ul> <li>Physical re-structuring in Student Services to enable students with Pastoral Care issues the ability to safely access personnel.</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Increase number of students accessing Student Services for Pastoral Care and Health and Wellbeing needs.</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>Adapting Attributes on Reporting to Parents to address Positive Behaviour Matrix</li> </ul>	School reporting against the Positive Behaviours Matrix.

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Curriculum Development West Australian Curriculum	<ul> <li>Development of whole school implementation plan for the Australian Curriculum</li> <li>Targeted External Professional Development for Implementation of Australian Curriculum</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>School to be prepared for the implementation of the West Australian Curriculum phase 2 and 3 across the lower school by the end of 2015.</li> <li>Structured Overview of Implementation of Australian Curriculum to be revised and implemented by 2016</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>Development of OTLS across the school with a focus on sourcing Australian Curriculum resources and support.</li> <li>Networking with contributory Primary Schools to share teaching resources and strategies.</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Phase 1 learning areas review fully developed implementation programs and put modifications in place by the end of 2015.</li> </ul>
Year 7's into High School.	<ul> <li>Development of school timetable and delivery mode for Year 7 into High School.</li> <li>Audit of Year 7 teaching strategies to assess effectiveness of meeting student needs.</li> </ul>	
WACE Courses		New WACE Courses fully implemented by 2016.
	<ul> <li>Development of Year 11 and 12 WACE course and incorporation into the curriculum by 2016.</li> <li>Adapting school subject counselling procedures to accommodate changes to new WACE and WACE Courses.</li> </ul>	Subject Counselling for both Year 10 and Year 11 incorporated into school operations.

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School Promotion	Develop range of promotional activities to increase enrolments at Margaret River Senior High School.	<ul> <li>Increase enrolments on yearly basis by 2017 to 900 students.</li> <li>98% transition from Primary Feeders to Year 6 by 2017.</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>Development of opportunities to increase parent participation in school activities.</li> <li>Enhance communication protocols between school and Parents</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Target 700 interviews at school Reporting Night to Parents.</li> <li>Increase parental involvement in school activities.</li> <li>Utilise SEQTA software to provide direct e-mailing to parents by ball staff</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>Marketing of school in local community events and newspapers.</li> <li>Creation of School Promotions Officer position.</li> <li>Use of school website as promotional and</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Maintain AMR Agricultural Show exhibition, Cabaret and Creating Identity Exhibition.</li> <li>Number of articles in Augusta-Margaret River Times.</li> <li>Increase in number of hits on School Website.</li> </ul>
	marketing tool for the school	