

City Beach Primary School *Each of us.*

Chaplaincy Program @ City Beach Primary School.

Pastoral care is the practice of looking after the personal needs of students, not just their academic needs, through general support and advice. School chaplaincy services are designed to form part of the already existing wellbeing and pastoral care services provided within the City Beach Primary School community. School chaplains **respect, accept and are sensitive to other views, values and do not provide religious instruction or religious counselling.**

Participation in the school chaplaincy program by public schools and students is voluntary. In 2021 the government provided additional funding to support the chaplaincy program in schools across the state. In 2022 we have been very fortunate to have appointed Nicola Harvey as our school chaplain. Nikki has already implemented a very popular gardening club on Tuesday and Thursday lunch times. Nikki and the students have worked hard on planting a variety of plants as well as a fairy garden that children can visit to help them feel calm. She has submitted a Woolworths Junior Land Care Grant to gain funding to re-establish the Hearts and Minds Garden and works with Mrs. Tina Ingraham to support students in the Social and Emotion Learning program on a Tuesday.

Nikki has been trained by Youth Care to offer confidential, non-judgmental pastoral care and programs based on respect, compassion and service. YouthCARE Chaplains:

- ✿ *Hold all necessary Department of Education qualifications, certificates and checks as per their role.*
- ✿ *Complete a comprehensive Induction Program.*
- ✿ *Are trained in Child Protection policy and procedures.*
- ✿ *Are selected to compliment each schools' culture.*
- ✿ *Collaborate to meet the outcomes of the school's business plan.*
- ✿ *Undertake ongoing relevant Professional Development.*
- ✿ *Receive professional supervision to support their self-care.*

For more information: https://www.youthcare.org.au/wp-content/uploads/2022/01/School_Chaplaincy_Brochure.pdf

You can withdraw you child from the program by advising the school. If you do not wish your child to be a part of the chaplaincy program at City Beach Primary School please send an email to Alison.Jenkins@education.wa.edu.au to let us know yu wish to opt out of this

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