


Warwick Central State School

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Principal's foreword

Introduction

We are providing to our parents and school community a set of information that is common for all state and non-state schools in Queensland.

At Warwick Central State School we provide a high quality inclusive educational curriculum that connects our community to learning and being. Our strong inclusive practices engage our students in gaining a variety of educational outcomes that serve individuals in our community.

At Warwick Central State School we value in our school community;

The rights, responsibilities and diversity of all members within our supportive school environment:

A climate of mutual respect and co-operation

Collaborative and consultative decision making

Tolerance of individuality

A common understand of appropriate behaviours, agreed upon limits and consequences of inappropriate behaviours

At Warwick Central State School we believe;

That we offer a diverse and supportive curriculum that caters for all individuals

That feeling respected, safe and being valued promotes a positive school culture

That all members of our school community have an opportunity to be involved in decision making using a collaborative and consultative approach

Our curriculum plans and school culture reflect tolerance of diversity and needs of individuals.

Future outlook

The key strategic Directions of Warwick Central School 2009 - 2010 are:

Review of our school strategic plan by undertaking and implementing the school Triennial School Review.

Continued refinement of Warwick Central State School's curriculum plan with emphasis on the alignment between teaching/learning assessment and reporting
Continued focus on Information Communication and Technology Practice

Continued emphasis of ensuring that Warwick Central State School is the school of choice.

Continued enrolment growth.

Continued improvement in the teaching and learning conditions for our students and teachers.

Continued improvements in learning outcomes for all students

Continued strong emphasis on supporting children socially, emotionally and academically.

Our school at a glance

School Profile

Warwick Central State School is situated within the central business district of Warwick. The school provides a co-educational learning experience from Prep to Year seven for 241 children. Our school provides a high quality inclusive educational curriculum that connects our community to learning and being. Our strong inclusive practices engage our students in gaining a variety of educational outcomes, that serve individuals and our community. Our school curriculum is based on the eight Key Learning Areas, specifically literacy, numeracy, Science and integrated studies. Our school distinctively bases its class structure on a multi-age philosophy.

Curriculum offerings

Our distinctive curriculum offerings

Warwick Central State School's curriculum is based around the eight KLA's. Our school has taken a very proactive approach in developing school based programs that reflect the requirements of the KLA's in particular Maths, English (Warwick Central State School - English, Reading and Spelling Programs). Integrated Studies (SOSE, Technology, the Arts, Health and Physical Education) and Science (based on 'Primary Connections'). Our school offers Inter-cultural Investigations based around the Japanese culture to students in Years 5, 6 and 7. P.E. and Music are taught by specialist teachers.

Extra curricula activities

Instrumental Music
Inter-School Sport
School choir
Project Club

How computers are used to assist learning

Computers are used for whole of class activities, group activities and individual access through our main computer lab, library mini lab and in each classroom.

Social climate

Warwick Central State School prides itself on safe and inviting facilities. Our school atmosphere promotes a caring and supportive learning and working environment.

Involving parents in their child's education.

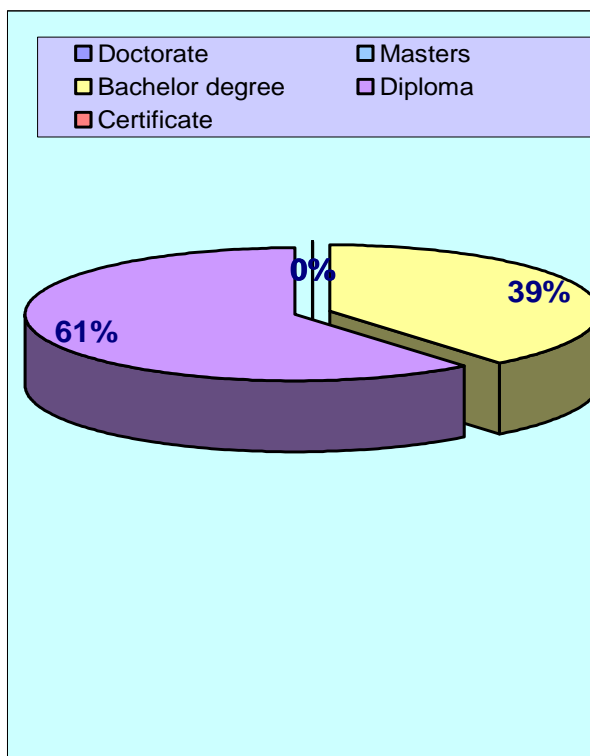
Warwick Central State School uses a range of strategies to involve parents. These include:
Newsletters
Student centred activities at school eg parades, information sessions etc.
Parent teacher interviews
School promotion
Parent and Citizens Association
Triennial School Review and School Annual Operational Plan



Our staff profile

Qualifications of all teachers

Highest level of attainment	Number of classroom teachers and school leaders at the school
Doctorate	0
Masters	0
Bachelor degree	9
Diploma	14
Certificate	0



Expenditure on and teacher participation in professional development.

- The total funds expended on teacher professional development in 2008 were: \$7865.39.
- The major professional development initiatives are as follows
- First Steps
- Essential Learnings
- Elearning
- QCAR
- Early Years Literacy Training
- Learning through the senses
- The involvement of the teaching staff in professional development activities during 2008 was 100 %.

Average staff attendance

- For permanent and temporary staff and school leaders the staff attendance rate was 97% in 2008.

Proportion of staff retained from the previous school year.

- From the end of the 2007 school year. 92% of staff were retained by the school for the entire 2008 school year.

Performance of our students

Student attendance

The average attendance rate as a percentage in 2008 was 92 %.

Key outcomes

National Assessment Program - Literacy and Numeracy (NAPLAN) results - our reading, writing, spelling, grammar and punctuation, and numeracy results for the Years 3, 5, and 7.

Domain	Measures	Yr 3	Yr 5	Yr 7
Reading	Average score for the school	319	401	494
	Average score for Queensland	371.1	466.1	528.1
	For the school the percentage of students at or above the national minimum standard.	2008 74%	53%	91%
Writing	Average score for the school	324	426	473
	Average score for Queensland	391.8	468.9	522.7
	For the school the percentage of students at or above the national minimum standard.	2008 70%	79%	74%
Spelling	Average score for the school	306	400	483
	Average score for Queensland	366.7	462.0	528.0
	For the school the percentage of students at or above the national minimum standard.	2008 74%	69%	83%
Grammar and Punctuation	Average score for the school	293	403	484
	Average score for Queensland	370.4	476.6	518.0
	For the school the percentage of students at or above the national minimum standard.	2008 68%	72%	83%
Numeracy	Average score for the school	347	418	512
	Average score for Queensland	367.9	458.2	539.0
	For the school the percentage of students at or above the national minimum standard.	2008 87%	73%	97%

Performance of our students

Results in the Year 2 Diagnostic Net	
	Percentage of students not requiring additional support
Reading	63%
Writing	75%
Number	75%

Value added

Warwick Central State School provides opportunities for many additional activities that 'value add' to our students education. For 2008 these included:

Extra Curricula Activities for Students

Arts Council, Instrumental Music, Tallebudgera Camp, Inter school Sport, Project Club

Student Centred Learning

Proactive intervention by our support team

Provision of teaching and learning that is child centred, purposeful and real.

Quality Facilities that enhance our environment

Completion of installation of underground water tanks to improve water savings and efficiency.

Staff Professionalism

Motivated, enthusiastic staff members who focus on student achievement and well being.

Community Perception and Involvement

Growing student enrolment

Parent, student and teacher satisfaction with the school

School Opinion Survey results (2008) show high levels of satisfaction amongst our parents, students and staff. For example:

73% of parents/caregivers were satisfied that Warwick Central state School is a 'good' school

77% of parents were satisfied that their children were getting a good education at Warwick Central State

83% of students were satisfied that they were getting a good education at Warwick Central State School

96% of staff indicated they were happy working at Warwick Central State School