GOVERNANCE

St. Patrick’s Catholic School is a systemic, parish school within the Archdiocese of Hobart. It operates under the authority and mandate of the Archbishop of Hobart. Systemic schools are under the direct supervision and management of the Director of the Tasmanian Catholic Education Office as an agent of the Archbishop.

The Tasmanian Catholic Education Commission advises the Archbishop and the Director on educational matters and is the systemic authority for the receipt, distribution and accountability of major elements of Government funding.

The curriculum development, staff selection and general organisation of the school are the responsibility of the Principal. The Tasmanian Catholic Education Office provides assistance with these functions and determines the school’s budget allocation. The director has appointed a Head of Schools (North) who has immediate supervision of the principal of the school. The principal is appointed on the Archbishop’s direction by the Director. The principal appoints staff when vacancies occur, including assistant principals (Religious Education, and Learning and Teaching).

The school’s Board of Management provides advice to the Principal and is responsible for the school’s financial administration and it is required to account for and administer all income and expenditure, keep the books of accounts and provide to the TCEO an annual audited statement.

Diagrammatic Representation of Governance at St. Patrick’s Catholic School
At St. Patrick’s Catholic School we believe it is important for our students to celebrate themselves, community, life and cultural diversity.

Celebration of various religious feast days throughout the year helps us remember our Christian call to reach out to others and is a vital component of our approach to Religious Education. Feast days may be celebrated in individual classrooms, as a whole school celebration of the Eucharist or as a Service of the Word.

Individual student or class achievements are celebrated at regular assemblies. Cultural diversity is celebrated during NAIDOC week and on Harmony Day. The school’s birthday is also celebrated every year.

SCHOOL SPORT HOUSES
Currently the school has three sporting houses, Dooley, Byrne and Martyn. These houses compete in cross country and athletics each year. These sports houses have been named after our three founding sisters……