



Watson Road State School Chaplaincy Services



Chaplaincy Services provide spiritual, ethical, and personal support to school communities. SU Qld Chaplains provide positive adult role models for students. Chaplains are present in schools at the invitation of the Principal, in consultation with the local community and with the support of the P&C Association.

What does a School Chaplain do?

A School Chaplain is a safe person for young people to connect with at school and provides a listening ear, caring presence, and a message of hope. Chaplains run positive, fun activities for students and assist in fostering supportive, caring school communities.

Working with other members of the school's support team, the Chaplain cares for students struggling with issues such as difficult relationships with other children or family members, poor self-esteem, family breakdown and depression.

The partnership between the school and the Chaplaincy Service, supported by local churches, businesses and community organisations, provides a network of local support and assistance. These positive relationships help young people to face difficult issues, provide hope, connection, meaning and purpose.

The Chaplaincy Service is available to everyone in the school community regardless of their religious beliefs.

What will Chaplaincy look like at Watson Road State School?

Assisting with sporting and cultural programs, attend school camps, assist in classrooms, run programs that help students develop social and life skills and run a lunchtime interest club. Students may request to see the Chaplain on an individual basis for support in personal matters. All students will be required to seek parental permission should they wish to be involved in spiritual programs.

Will my child be involved?

Involvement with the Chaplain is entirely voluntary and students choose whether or not they want to be a part of the activities that are offered. Parents will be consulted if their child wishes to be involved in ongoing one-to-one meetings with the Chaplain or in any program or group involving spiritual or ethical content. Parents have the right to refuse permission for their child to be involved in any Chaplaincy activity or event.

How can I contact the Chaplain?

Please call Administration on (07) 3715 2333. Our Chaplain works a flexible roster and actual days on site may change through the year. Generally, the Chaplain will be available to return your enquiry when they are on site.

Chaplaincy Services – Permission Form

I _____ agree to my child _____ accessing Chaplaincy services.
(Parent Name) (Child's Name)

Details of the Spiritual program my child will be involved in:

- I understand that the Chaplain will communicate with me should concerns arise during contact
- I understand that if I have concerns I can raise these with the Chaplain or Principal / Deputy Principal.

Signature: _____

Date: _____