The St Mary MacKillop value of Gratitude is embedded to influence the religious and pastoral life of the school and to assist students in their understanding of the story of St Mary MacKillop.

In 2016 our school will undertake a process of validating our Religious Education program. To assist in this regard, a Religious Life of the School Committee will be formed to guide and enhance our school’s Catholic identity through contextual symbolism.

Consistency of approach to planning Religious Education units that will see allocated planning time with Education Officer – Religious Education. Review Component 1.4.....Social Action & Justice

Mission & Religious Education

This report presents a summary of the significant goals for the 2016 year. These have been discerned from the broader Strategic Renewal Plan (2013-2016) and draw on our annual review processes that identify specific strategies for school improvement.

St Mary MacKillop Primary School continues a rich tradition of renewal through consultation, discernment and connection with Brisbane Catholic Education, students, staff, parents, the parishioners of Birkdale and the local Community. Our school has much to be proud of and the realising of these goals will be achieved through students, staff and parents uniting together.

Learning & Teaching

With the Capital program (MMK Project 2020) established – projects to be realistically costed and appropriate loans sought to see completion.

Additional school improvement projects including:
* Selected painting of decks and coloured ends of classroom buildings
* Installation of artificial lawn to Prep Area
* Upgrade of school entrance

ICT Committee to investigate access of infant classes to iPad technologies with relevant apps.

Review and respond to needs that surface in relation to ‘Home Reader’s’ in the Early Years.

Strategic Resourcing

The Behaviour Support Plan will be reviewed to further support all students. In this regard our school will look to adopt the new BCE Behaviour Database.

Introduce a Parent Portal into the school to aid communication by allowing parents to access information about events, announcements, forms, policies, school contact details etc.

Continue to grow Performance Development processes for staff by providing multiple opportunities for peer observation and feedback.

Undertake the BCE Staff Satisfaction Survey and tie in.
Review Component 3.2..... Work Culture and what this means for our school.

Professional Practice & Collaborative Relationships

GOALS AND ACTIONS FOR 2016