

CORMSAA Committee of Religious Institute and Ministerial PJP School Authorities Australia Strategic Priorities 2023

Synodality is our foundational understanding and way of being church.

CORMSAA is committed to *subsidiarity, dialogue, discernment, inclusion, consultation, transparency and accountability*



Priorities

CO-RESPONSIBLE MISSION-FOCUSED RELATIONSHIPS

External Engagement

- › Revise the 2021 CORMSAA Position Paper by 2024
- › Support the active participation of the CORMSAA nominee on National Catholic Education Commission (NCEC)
- › Ensure RI-MPJP membership on appropriate NCEC national working parties such as:
 - Political Advocacy Taskforce
 - Enrolment Strategy Working Party
- › Publicise the scope and unique contribution of RI-MPJP schools
- › Inform leaders of Church Authorities of the work of CORMSAA

ENGAGED PARTNERSHIPS IN MISSION WITH ALL RI/MPJP SCHOOL AUTHORITIES

Internal Engagement

- › CORMSAA representative to actively engage with RI-MPJP School Authorities in their State
- › Assist the establishment of a structure in WA and SA for RI-MPJP School Authorities
- › Inform CRA, AMPJP and RI-MPJP School Authorities and state-based RI-MPJP entities about the work of CORMSAA
- › Use annual forum of RI-MPJP School Authorities and other processes to hear issues and determine common responses
- › Encourage national professional engagement of RI-MPJP School Authorities

Strategies

Summary of data on RI and MPJP School sector

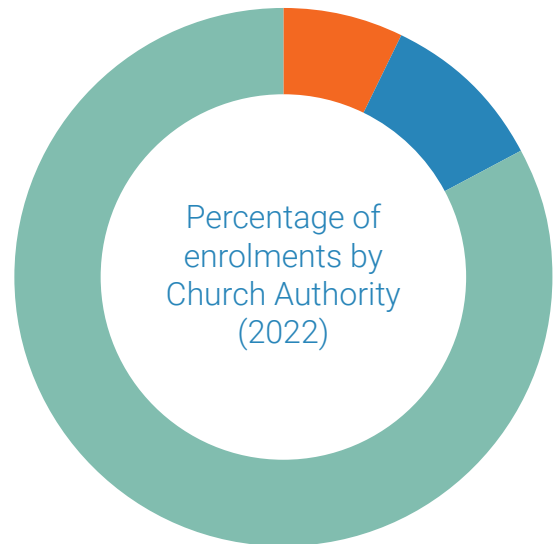
- › There are **59 RI schools** and **106 MPJP schools** in Australia
- › There are **62,689 RI enrolments** and **87,505 MPJP enrolments**
- › There are **24 RI school authorities** and **8 MPJP school authorities** (58% of RIs have only one school in their care).
- › RI and MPJPs operate **10%** of Catholic schools
- › RI and MPJPs have **19% of Catholic enrolments**
- › MPJP enrolments exceed RI enrolments in all States. The difference ranges from **54% MPJP enrolments** in NSW/ACT to **83% MPJP enrolments** in QLD.
- › **Between 2020 and 2022:** One MPJP has opened two new schools. One new MPJP commenced. Four RIs ceased being responsible for schools (sixteen of their schools were transferred to MPJPs and two to a diocese)

Western Australia

RI Schools **6**
MPJP Schools **8**

South Australia

RI Schools **6**
MPJP Schools **10**



● Diocesan Enrolments 81% ● Ministerial PJP enrolments 11%
● Religious Institute enrolments 8%

Northern Territory

RI Schools **0**
MPJP Schools **1**

Queensland

RI Schools **6**
MPJP Schools **30**

NSW & ACT

RI Schools **22**
MPJP Schools **26**

Victoria

RI Schools **18**
MPJP Schools **29**

Tasmania

RI Schools **1**
MPJP Schools **2**