

## 2023 Yearly Teachers Report

CSMA Inc

2023 saw a consolidation of the work done in previous years. The SRE classes in both years had a consistent number of students and in each class there was good interaction from the majority of students. The staff were supportive and this helped with having steady numbers in each class. The Period 5 lesson before the lunch break was good and it meant the students were a little more focused in class.

In aid of teaching SRE at MHS I started in a chaplaincy role 1 day per week and spent 2 days per week as an SLSO (Teachers aid). This allowed me to build a better relationship with the students throughout the whole school and in many cases reconnect with former students. I was surprised to see that the time spent teaching SRE meant that I had a greater acceptance in the school with the students as I was not a stranger coming in and the overall student body had a positive response to me being there.

We continued to use the Think Faith curriculum set up by Youthworks for both year 7 and 8.

### Year 7

Year 7 held a consistent number of students of around 20 students each week. With others joining classes when they remembered or felt like it. Throughout the year there was a continued growth and understanding of bible principles and themes. This was encouraging to see.

### Year 8

The Year 8 class was consistent in numbers to the previous year and allowed for me to build on the previous years work and move into 2023 with little disruption to the normal patterns in schooling as they were used to it. Despite some times of disruptive behaviour the overall mode of the class was good and we had some good discussions around the topics that we were looking at.

### Praise points:

- SRE is still in the school and although there is opposition to SRE being there it is widely accepted by the staff.
- The year 7 class numbers were up on previous years.

### Prayer Points

- For the students who have moved into year 9 that they will find God interacting in their lives and know that He is working in the world.
- For the new year 7 students that they will continue to settle into the structure and routines of high school well.

- For the staff of MHS that they will have an open heart to the things of God.
- For the current interim principal – that he will have a positive attitude to SRE in the school.

Thank You for all your prayers and support for SRE in Monaro High School.

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