

# **SECTION 1 : MISSION & ETHOS**

## **1.3 MSC ETHOS**

### **RATIONALE**

The charism of religious congregations gives a special quality to the life of the institutions which they establish. Daramalan College, founded in 1962 by the Missionaries of the Sacred Heart, has been blessed with a distinct MSC Ethos which makes it different from other schools. A key function of the Board is to identify measures by which that Ethos can be maintained.

### **POLICY**

In order to maintain and strengthen the MSC Ethos at Daramalan, time is spent by staff and students reflecting and learning about the Missionaries of the Sacred Heart, their history and their spirit.

### **APPLICATION**

1. Staff are encouraged to participate in the courses run at Douglas Park for staff of MSC schools and other programs of the Chevalier Institute team.
2. Staff will have the opportunity throughout the year to reflect at Daramalan on aspects of the MSC Ethos.
3. Through their studies, particularly Religious Education courses, retreats and liturgical celebrations, all students are given an opportunity to gain an understanding of MSC history and spirituality.
4. Staff and student prayers will focus on aspects of a Spirituality of the Heart.
5. Membership of the Lay MSC Association and the Young MSC Association will be encouraged.
6. During the school year there will be liturgies which focus on aspects of the MSC Ethos.

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