National School Chaplaincy and Student Welfare Program SCHOOL WEBSITE REPORTING.

Jamestown Community School’s Chaplaincy Service is funded by the Australian Government Department of Education, Employment and Workplace Relations (DEEWR) through the National School Chaplaincy and Student Welfare Program (NSCSWP) for a school chaplaincy service by employing a Christian Pastoral Support Worker (CPSW).

1. The aim of the chaplaincy service is to offer pastoral support to students, staff and the school community.

2. The CPSW has three main roles: Pastoral, Referral, and Resource.

3. The chaplaincy service offered by the CPSW is accessed by school community members on a voluntary basis.

4. At Jamestown Community School (JCS) the CPSW is line managed by the Principal, and complements, enhances and collaborates with the school well-being team, counsellors, other school support staff, etc.

5. JCS’s CPSW, Graeme Painter, is funded by the NSCSWP and community funding.

6. In general circumstances, the CPSW is free to engage with members of the school community. However, in every case where, as part of their role, a CPSW is asked to work in an ongoing way with an individual or group of students, informed, written parental/care giver consent must first be obtained. Parents may also make a request to the Principal for their child to be excluded from any service provided by the CPSW.

7. Students are able to access the CPSW through Student Services.

8. A Grievance Procedure for any formal complaint is available from the Principal.

9. JCS’s Governing Council was consulted about the NSCSWP and made the decision to proceed with an application for NSCSWP funding for a chaplaincy service. Please refer to the relevant Governing Council Meeting Minutes for further details.

10. Disclaimer: The views expressed herein do not necessarily represent the views of DEEWR.

11. Acknowledgement: This project was funded by DEEWR.