Glenmore State School’s Chaplaincy Service

Chaplaincy Services provide spiritual, ethical, and personal support to school communities. SU Qld Chaplains provide positive adult role models for students. Chaplains are present in schools at the invitation of the Principal, in consultation with the local community, and with the support of the P&C Association.

What does a School Chaplain do?

A School Chaplain is a safe person for young people to connect with at school and provides a listening ear, caring presence, and a message of hope. Chaplains run positive, fun activities for students and assist in fostering supportive, caring school communities.

Working with other members of the school’s support team, the Chaplain cares for students struggling with issues such as difficult relationships with other children or family members, poor self-esteem, family breakdown, and depression.

The partnership between the school and the Chaplaincy Service, supported by local churches, businesses and community organisations, provides a network of local support and assistance. These positive relationships help young people to face difficult issues, and provide hope, connection, meaning, and purpose.

The Chaplaincy Service is available to everyone in the school community regardless of their religious beliefs.

Who is the Glenmore’s School Chaplain?

The school chaplain for Glenmore State School is Melissa Frost. Melissa is at the school on Tuesdays and Wednesdays.

What does Chaplaincy look like at Glenmore State School?

As the chaplain, Melissa will be part of school activities, be getting to know the children at the school and supporting the teachers, students and wider school community. She will assist in the classrooms, be involved in school camps, sporting and cultural programs, run lunchtime activities and help students with social and life skills.

Students may request to see the chaplain in an individual basis for support in personal matters. Parental consent forms will be needed for these support sessions.

Will my child be involved?

Involvement with the Chaplain is entirely voluntary and students choose whether or not they want to be a part of the activities that are offered. Parents will be consulted if their child wishes to be involved in ongoing one-to-one meetings with the Chaplain or in any programme or group involving spiritual or ethical content. Parents have the right to refuse permission for their child to be involved in any Chaplaincy activity or event.

How can I contact the Chaplain?

Melissa Frost is available on Tuesdays and Wednesdays and can be contacted through the school office on 4923 0666.