

Make Jesus Real

First National 'Make Jesus Real' (MJR) Conference

Venue: St Kevin's Catholic School, 312 Benowa Road, Benowa, Queensland, 4217

Date: Thursday 4th & Friday 5th of May 2017

Thursday - Gather by 8.30 for a prompt 8.45 start

SESSION ONE 8.45 – 10.45

1. Prayer
2. Acknowledgement of country
3. Brief Welcome & Opening of Conference
4. 'Brief history of MJR' – Peter 'MITCH' Mitchell author of MJR
5. What is MJR? – Using a fun Kahoot with Marty Ogle (Tas)
6. 'Where is MJR at?' (Update of books, website, blogs, etc)- Jason Perry (Vic)
7. 'UBUNTU & MJR & School Wide Positive Behaviour' - John Leyden (Principal, St Andrews Primary School -Ferry Grove Q'land),
8. Regina Lane from Garratt Publishing

MORNING TEA 10.45 – 11.15

SESSION TWO 11.15 – 12.30pm

'Rapid fire sharing' – Four rotating sessions (10-15 mins each) with a variety of presenters

12.40 – 1.30 'On the Couch' with Guest Speaker - Matt Bevilacqua (Tas) Twice World Paddleboard Champion & Ironman who states 'I use the MJR philosophy everyday in my training and competition.'

LUNCH 1.30 – 2.15

SESSION THREE 2.15 – 3.45

2.20 - 3.30pm 'SHARING' – What is Working at our Schools? – Jason Perry to MC with teachers sharing what they have been doing with MJR at their schools. All participants will have the opportunity to share and collect ideas.

Finale... 3.30 Gathering together –'What I have learned today that I will implement as soon as I get back to my school?'

[Please note: participants to make their own arrangements for dinner]

Friday - Gather by 8.30 for a prompt 8.45 start

SESSION ONE

Prayer – Marty Ogle with Song from St Mary’s College Tas

Refresh from Day ONE – What did I take away from Yesterday?

Class demonstration sessions

1. **9am – 9.45 ... Grade 5/6** ‘Make Jesus Real’ – Jason Perry
2. **10.am - 10.45 ... Grade 3/4** ‘Spirit of Jesus’ – Peter Mitchell

PLEASE note while this 2nd Primary session is taking place, there will be a Secondary School session introducing the new MJR/Pastoral Care lessons.

MORNING TEA 11am to 11.30

1. **11.30 – 12.15pm** K – Grade 2 ‘My Friend Jesus’ – Marty Ogle. (activities in the spirit of MJR)
2. **12.30 – 1.30pm** Hands on activities

LUNCH 1.30 - 2.15

1. **2.15 – 3.15** AFTERNOON SESSION – Round circles about ‘What am I going to take away to my school and use on Monday?’
2. **Finale** – Peter ‘Mitch’ Mitchell

Peter ‘Mitch’ Mitchell

Mitch developed the MJR philosophy whilst conducting school camps with Tasmanian in the 80’s and 90’s. Since then he has positively ‘infected’ thousands of students with the Gospel values of compassion, justice, humility and forgiveness. This has been done with the clever use of acronyms such as W.E.S.T. (Welcome, Encourage, able to say Sorry & Thank you) and T.E.A.M. (Together Everyone Achieves More). He ‘retired’ at the end of 2015 but continues to spread the good news of MJR across Australia.

Marty Ogle

Marty first came across MJR in the 1990’s when first introduced to Mitch. He has since taken the MJR philosophy to Darwin, WA and the Philippines and is currently the Catholic Identity and Values Education officer in Tasmania. For the next three years he has been engaged to take MJR from Kinder to Year 12 - a challenge to ‘Live it, Love it, Share it, Embed it’ but is excited to spread the message!

Jason Perry

Jason has used and loved MJR since he started teaching in Tasmania 17 years ago; where he worked as an MJR facilitator. He is now based in Melbourne, where he works with teachers and students on MJR across 26 schools. He is the author of Spirit of Jesus (SOJ) and works regularly with whole schools to implement the MJR philosophy from Prep to Grade 6. Jason has seen the development of MJR through the partnership with Garratt Publishing and is looking to continue that growth throughout Australia.

John Leyden

John first came across MJR in the late 1990’s when he was first introduced to ‘Mitch’ when he had Long Service Leave and worked with him and Grade six students from throughout Tasmania. John saw the need to make it a school wide way of life and introduced it first to St Anthony’s School at Kedron then to St Andrew’s School at Ferny Grove when he moved there as Principal ten years ago. John firmly believes MJR is our foundation in all that happens at St Andrew’s, whether it is to do with the Learning Vision, Behaviour Management or any other aspect of school life. It is the reason that the school family is thriving and succeeding in whatever they undertake.