

# Make Jesus Real

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BULLETIN

## SOME GREAT MJR IDEAS FROM AROUND AUSTRALIA

### Making Your Own MJR T-Shirts

At Our Lady of Lourdes, Devonport, Tasmania, instead of buying leavers t-shirts from commercial sellers, the students designed their own MJR shirts.

They chose one MJR theme, acronym or statement that appealed to them, and used special waterproof crayons to write and draw it on their shirt.

Super idea and great modelling in these photos!



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## MJR Surf Day

The students from St Brigid's Catholic School, New Norfolk, Tasmania, recently took part in a MJR surf day where all things MJR were emphasised.



There was lots of encouragement, resilience when they didn't succeed, seeing the 'Spirit of Jesus' moments all around them, mental toughness and searching for the secrets we all hide, including our talents.



The class had a number of students who had never surfed before and the celebrations when they succeeded were special God moments that will be remembered for many years to come.



**HINT** – next year, why not name a sporting carnival an MJR event, eg *W.E.S.T. Athletics Carnival*. But be sure to educate parents and students beforehand about W.E.S.T. – one of my parents thought we were sponsored by John West salmon!

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# MEMORIES OF A GREAT MJR<sup>ER</sup>!

## Paul DGLISH

Mitch recently sent us a beautiful photo of the stunning Paul DGLISH commemorative garden at the St John the Baptist Catholic Primary School, Gladstone, Queensland.

Paul taught, and was a Principal in a number of places around Australia and he lived the many virtues espoused by MJR.

He was loved by staff, students and his school communities for his positive, happy attitude, his love of music and his constant ability to see the 'Spirit of Jesus' all around him.

It is great to see that his memory lives on in a garden where the students and staff can relax and take in nature.



## A REMINDER

### Please Remind Your Staff, Students and School Community That ... Christmas is the Best Time to 'Make Jesus Real'

What an excellent time of the year to reinforce the many great messages from the teachings of Jesus, that are continually highlighted in the grades 5/6 Make Jesus Real book, the grades 3/4 The Spirit of Jesus book and the soon to be released My Friend Jesus for the younger grades.

These include

- Being a giver rather than a taker.
- W.I.I.F.M. – What's in it for me?
- W.E.S.T. – Welcoming, Encouraging, able to say Sorry & Thank You.
- T.E.A.M. – Together everyone achieves more.

Plus, what a beautiful time to emphasise that, 'The little things in life are often the big important things'.

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## YOUTUBE LINKS

Another two great YouTubes to view

**B.I.Y – Believe in Yourself:**

[www.youtube.com/watch?v=AjZ0KbJcav0](http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=AjZ0KbJcav0)

**Empathy with Mark Ruffalo and Sesame Street:**

[www.youtube.com/watch?v=9\\_1Rt1R4xbM](http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=9_1Rt1R4xbM)

## CHRISTMAS WISHES

So to all the MJRers around Australia we wish you a safe and restful Christmas and holiday period.

We look forward to seeing many of you in Hobart for the 2nd MJR Conference on the 10th & 11th of May 2018.

If you are moving to a new school please take the MJR message with you and remember to go to the [www.makejesusreal.com.au](http://www.makejesusreal.com.au) website and change your email address so we can keep in contact.



**Merry Christmas and a  
Joyous New Year  
from the MJR Team  
Marty, Mitch, Jason, Rose,  
Charmaine and Alex**

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