



# MJR Bulletin - MJR National Conference Edition



I am very excited to bring you details of the upcoming 2024 MJR National Conference in Perth – the first conference since Covid.

Over two incredible days, you'll discover how you can transform your school's faith, culture, and learning outcomes using the MJR workbooks.

**The MJR National Conference has been designed for experienced MJRers, newcomers to MJR, and those who do and don't teach RE.**

You'll meet and learn from secondary and primary teachers from across Australia who have real, in-classroom experience of teaching MJR, and have witnessed not only the transformation of students within their classroom, but their entire school community!

Plus, you will have many opportunities to ask questions, comment, and be physically involved – not on Zoom!

### DISCOVER (P: Primary S: Secondary):

- » MJR in action (P, S)
- » Theology, Science, and the Magic of MJR (S)
- » Ways to connect to today's youth (P, S)
- » The Sunday Gospel and MJR (S)
- » MJR and Behavioural Management (P)
- » MJR 24/7 for secondary school (S)
- » How to introduce and embed MJR into your School (P)
- » What's happening in Australian schools (P, S)

### PRESENTERS:

- » Madeline Forde, Youth Ministry Adelaide (SA)
- » Marty Ogle, MJR National Co-ordinator (Tas)
- » Maryanne Hacker, REC (NSW)
- » Geri O'Keefe, Principal (WA)
- » Eugene Lee, Ex Principal (WA)
- » Lloyd Reidy, REC (WA)
- » Peter Mitchell, creator of MJR (Tas)
- » John Rose, Principal (WA)

Their full biographies can be found on the next page.

**Now is the time to approach your leadership teams and principals about attending this ground-breaking conference.**

I don't know of any conference around Australia where two days costs \$295 – even cheaper if you take advantage of the early-bird and group discounts!

If you have any questions, don't hesitate to contact the friendly staff at Garratt Publishing at [sales@garrattpublishing.com.au](mailto:sales@garrattpublishing.com.au)

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### EVENT DETAILS

#### When

15 & 16 April 2024

#### Time

8:30-3:30pm

#### Where

Holy Rosary School  
35 Williamstown Road  
Doubleview, Perth WA 6018

### PRICES

#### TWO-DAY TICKETS

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- 1 x Two-Day – Early Bird: \$275
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## Be the Spirit of Jesus

### 2024 MJR NATIONAL CONFERENCE

#### SPEAKERS



#### Madeline Forde

Maddy is a passionately driven person who has been involved in a variety of experiences within the education, disability, youth work, and volunteer sectors. Through her experiences and encounters, she places a

high emphasis on inclusivity, with a strong belief in upholding respect through kindness and patience by walking alongside people in their journey, ensuring dignity for all.



#### Maryanne Hacker

Maryanne is a primary school teacher with 20 years' experience – as a classroom teacher and in several leadership roles. She is currently the REC at St Patrick's Primary School, Lochinvar, NSW, and has introduced MJR and incorporated MJR concepts into the

school's Positive Behaviour Support framework. Maryanne is passionate about connecting faith and wellbeing and promotes the use of MJR as a social and emotional learning tool.



#### Eugene Lee

Eugene grew up on a small dairy farm in south-west Victoria. He was sent off to school a year early to boost the total enrolment to nine and prevent the school from closing. Eugene moved across to WA for one year – 34 years ago! He has taught

at ten schools in England, Victoria, and WA – 24 as Principal. In the four schools as Principal, he and his dedicated teachers implemented MJR. He is a strong advocate on the positive, faith-filled transformations on school communities that MJR has and believes MJR is a highly successful way of life that our unchurched generation can easily relate to.



#### Peter (Mitch) Mitchell

Mitch, author of MJR, ran MJR camps in the 1980-90s based on the Ignatian Spirituality of 'Action and Reflection'. The aim was to make participants aware of the presence of Jesus in their hearts and in the lives of others. Mitch soon realised that 'The MJR

Way of Life' worked for parents, students, and teachers. Previously employed by the CEO Tasmania, he has been teaching and travelling around Australia introducing MJR to schools for over 20 years.



#### Marty Ogle

Marty is a teacher, ex-principal, and National Coordinator of MJR. He is grateful for the opportunities to positively influence and engage with students in Catholic schools across Australia. In his book MJR 24/7 –

co-written with Gemma Thomson – he has strived to collect relatable and thought-provoking materials that will be attractive to young minds to help them explore and discuss teenage issues. He is married to Karen and father to Tessa & Cassie.



#### Geri O'Keefe

Geri has worked in Catholic Education for 50 years, including 28 years as Principal. She has worked in primary and secondary schools in Victoria & WA across metropolitan, country, and remote Kimberley areas. Geri is the Foundation

Principal at Mother Teresa Catholic College, Baldvis Perth – a Pre-Kindergarten to Year 12 College in its tenth year since foundation. Geri has implemented MJR from Kindy to Year 9.



#### Lloyd Reidy

Lloyd is regional teacher with 17 years teaching experience as a Primary & Secondary school educator. Lloyd has spent his teaching career at St Mary's College, Broome and St Joseph's School, Northam WA where he currently enjoys the role

of K-12 REC. Lloyd believes his job is the best in Catholic Education – as he gets to chill with Year 1s chatting about Jesus in one period, followed by deep faith conversations with Year 12s in another.



#### John Rose

For the last 30 years John has worked at Catholic schools across WA, from the Kimberley to Albany in the south – the last 17 years as Principal. John was introduced to MJR at his last school and was amazed at the effect on positive culture

to both staff and students MJR had. MJR assists everyone in having a growth mindset to remind us all to be grateful and appreciative for everything we have each day. John is currently Principal at St Lawrence Primary School, Queens Park, Perth.

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*Peter 'Mitch' Mitchell summed it up by saying...*

**Come and be inspired by the presenters and be involved by the simple, easy and effective MJR way of life that you can start in your schools.**

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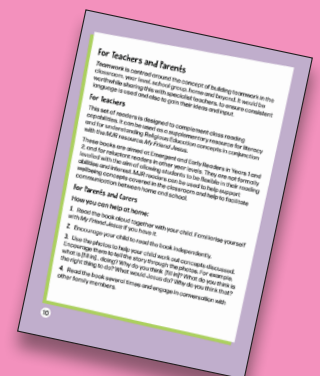


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