

INDUCTION DAY FOR STAFF
new to Good Samaritan Schools, 2005

“Shaping our Good Samaritan Story”

Key Aims:

That this Day is an opportunity for staff

- to learn about the Good Samaritan network of schools
- to gain insights into elements of Good Samaritan history
- to engage with some of the key values of the Good Samaritan/ Benedictine tradition
- to connect with each other
- to be invited to become part of the shared journey of Good Samaritan Schools

PROPOSED FORMAT OF THE DAY

8.30 Arrival and cuppa – Nice coffee / tea, Name tags, folders with names on them
(Lucie to facilitate)

9.00 Welcome – house keeping, introductions, icebreaker conversations
(Lucie to facilitate)

9.15 Opening Prayer and Ritual of Gathering *(Mark)*

9.20 Session 1: The Network of Good Samaritan Schools

* Refer to booklet contents

* Powerpoint presentation featuring a **snapshot of the network** of schools

Buzz with a person nearby you don't know, regarding anything from the powerpoint / what you already know about the network

Facilitator invites a few comments from the group then links this to the question – who were these Good Samaritan Sisters / what prompted them to embark on this journey? This leads to an introduction of Sr Margaret-Anne Kelly

(Mark to facilitate)

* An insight into the History of the Good Samaritan Sisters

Presentation by Sr Margaret-Anne Kelly

* Facilitator thanks Sr Margaret and **wraps up session** by affirming the inductees have now become a part of this history, this journey

(Mark)

10.45 – 11.15 Morning Tea

11.15 Session 2: Being Educators formed by Benedict

Refer to booklet pages on Ben spirituality

Presentation by Sr Catherine Slattery on the Key principles/ themes that inform our Good Samaritan approach to life and education including reference to Benedictine spirituality. This presentation will be interactive and include opportunities for discussion / reflection and prayer (including a “lectio divina” walk in pairs towards the end of the session) Sr Catherine will bring the group back together before lunch and gather any insights from the group.

Before lunch the invited **guests are introduced** and welcomed as we move to lunch
(Lucie)

12.30– 1.30 Lunch

1.30 Session 3: Shaping the Good Samaritan Story

Catherine makes a link to the last session

Facilitator **introduces** invited guests with a brief biography (Lucie)

Invited guests share how their experience of the Good Samaritan/ Benedictine story motivates them and shapes who they are as educators and people
Facilitator invites questions from the inductees. (Lucie)

Small Group chat – small groups of 4/5 inductees facilitated by Sr Catherine / Sr Margaret-Anne, Invited guests / Mark – depending on how many groups needed
(Lucie free to float around and coordinate the groups returning)
Chat focused on (i) What has touched you from the stories And (ii) How could you keep shaping the story?

Facilitator brings small groups **back together to wrap it up** and invite any to share of their small groups insights (Lucie)

2.30 Session 4: Sending Forth

Recap by facilitator of the day’s content and key themes (Mark)

Quiet time for individual reflection on the day and what they would like to remember, the possible influence of today on their future contributions to their school community

Blessing and Sending forth Ritual for inductees including the distribution of a blessing card (Mark)

2.50pm Evaluation (Lucie)

Affirmation of inductees participation (Lucie)

3.00 Depart