



St Mary MacKillop Catholic Primary School, Bannockburn

Child Safety Policy (Student Version)



Everyone has the right to be safe and be protected from unsafe behaviours.

No one should behave in a way that makes you feel unsafe or afraid, including anyone in your family anyone at your school or anywhere else in the community.

Introduction

Our school will do anything to keep children safe.
The school helps and looks after all students; old and young, students with different beliefs and different backgrounds. The school has many ways to keep us from harm.

Purpose

The teachers have committed to keep children safe.
This means that the kids at the school feel safe and not worried or scared that something bad will happen to them. The teachers and staff in the school know what to do if a student says that they feel unsafe.

Commitment to Child Safety

All students and young people attending St Mary MacKillop Catholic Primary School have the right to feel safe.
The school tolerates no bullying or any kind of unsafe behaviour.

Risk Management

St Mary MacKillop Catholic Primary School knows that it is important to keep our school safe.
The school looks for problems or things that might be unsafe and then if there are any problems the school will fix them straight away.
We should always tell someone if we see a risk.

Code of Conduct

St Mary MacKillop Catholic Primary School makes sure there is a Code of Conduct for all teachers, learning support officers, receptionists, Parish Pries , emergency teachers, parent helpers, other volunteers and workers that clearly outlines the behaviour that they need to show.
This Code of Conduct is available on the school website and in the office.

Hiring Staff and Staff Training

Before employing new staff and helpers, the principal checks the background to see if person is suitable to work with children.

Some of the things the school does to make sure they are right for the school are:

- Check if there is a police criminal record
- Make sure that they sign the Code of Conduct

- Make sure they are nice to kids
- Make sure they follow the rules as well
- Check that they have a Working with Children Check
- See what they did for their last job
- Talk to the people that worked with them last to see if they're safe people.

Once they have settled into St Mary MacKillop Catholic Primary School they get more information and training about child safety.

Inclusion and Empowerment for all Students and Young People.

All the staff and teachers at our school help the kids understand that they have a right to feel safe and secure.

The Student Leaders play an important role in making sure that we know that we all have rights including the right to be safe.

Classroom activities like **Circle Time** help us understand our rights.

There are displays and posters in the school informing us what we can do if we feel unsafe.

Student at St Mary MacKillop Catholic Primary School can speak up! We have a Voice! We know who to talk to!

Valuing Differences

St Mary MacKillop Catholic Primary School values differences and does not put up with any kind of teasing because people are different.

The school helps and looks after **ALL** students;

- students with different cultural backgrounds
- students that are different shapes and sizes
- students with different beliefs
- students that like different things
- students that have different abilities