

PROMOTING CHILD EMPOWERMENT AND PARTICIPATION STANDARDS SEVEN CRESWICK PRIMARY SCHOOL



Rational:

Child Safe Standard Seven requires schools to develop strategies to deliver appropriate education about:

- standards of behaviour for students attending the school;
- healthy and respectful relationships (including sexuality);
- resilience; and
- child abuse awareness and prevention.

Implementation

Creswick Primary School will ensure the following policy and curriculum initiatives are in place and reviewed regularly to ensure Child Safe Standard Seven is fully implemented:

- Student Wellbeing and Engagement Policy – That highlights the maintenance of a safe, supportive and inclusive school environment.
- Code of Conduct for all school users that highlights the expectations of behaviour and is based on Restorative Practice
- Curriculum programs and initiatives are implemented to support student development – eg:
 - Health and Human Relations for the Grade Five and Six students – implemented by Hepburn Health trained staff
 - Life Education Van visits bi-annually
 - Cyber Safety – Creswick Primary is a Cyber Safe/ESmart School
 - Using the Department of Education Resilience Rights and Respectful relationships documentation to guide curriculum programs
- Values Education – The school values underpin how everyone in the school interacts. The Code of Conduct, Behaviour Matrix, School Wide Positive Behaviour Awards and Classroom Agreements are all based on the school values of: Respect, Resilience, Safety, and Personal Best.
- Health Education programs are promoted and parents encouraged via the newsletter to send children to school with healthy foods.
- Regular training, retraining, induction of people who work with students to ensure they understand and meet the requirements of Child Safe Standards
- Encourage input from students to empower them and have input into improving their environment – eg:
 - Junior School Council
 - School Student Leadership Program
 - Gardening Club
 - Super Cyber Safety Squad

Policy Evaluation and Review

This policy will be reviewed every two years and/or following significant incidents if they occur.

For further information on child safe standards go to childsafestandards@dhhs.vic.gov.au

This policy was approved by School Council on 8th August 2018 and is scheduled for review in August 2019.