

Vision

At Tanjil South Primary School, we believe in fostering each child's desire to learn as we develop creative thinkers, strategic problem solvers, collaborative team members and independent, confident learners who are equipped for future success.

Values

Tanjil South Primary School has three values: Be Safe, Be Respectful, Be a Learner. These values are aligned with our commitment to School-Wide Positive Behaviour Support (PBS) and promote health, wellbeing and social inclusion for every member of the School community.

Statement of commitment to child safe standards

Tanjil South Primary School is committed to the safety and wellbeing of all children and young people. This commitment will be the primary focus of our decision-making processes, and in the care of our students. Tanjil South Primary School has zero tolerance for child abuse.

Tanjil South Primary School is committed to providing a child safe environment where children and young people *are* safe, *feel* safe, and their voices are heard regarding decisions which affect their lives. Particular attention will be paid to the cultural safety of Aboriginal children and children from culturally and/or linguistically diverse backgrounds, as well as the safety of children with a disability.

Every person involved with Tanjil South Primary School has a responsibility to understand the important and specific role he/she plays individually and collectively to ensure that the wellbeing and safety of all children and young people is at the forefront of all they do and every decision they make.

Rationale:

Children have the right to express their views and opinions about decisions which affect them, and to be listened to. Empowerment is about helping children to have their say. Children are more likely to speak up about their concerns about feeling unsafe, or make a complaint, if they feel their views are valued and welcomed.

Implementation:

Tanjil South Primary School will 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.

Tanjil South Primary School will promote the Child Safe Standards in ways that are readily accessible, easy to understand, and user-friendly to children. The School delivers appropriate education about Standards of Behaviour by:

- Ensuring clear expectations for appropriate and inappropriate behaviour are monitored using the school's "Standards of Behaviour and Expectations" matrix
- Having an up to date Student Engagement and Inclusion Policy involving students in decision making through the Junior School Council forum.

Tanjil South Primary School delivers appropriate education about Healthy and Respectful relationships by:

- Implementing a comprehensive Health and Physical Education program;
- Promoting emotional health and wellbeing through the Respectful Relationships initiative incorporating; promoting, modelling, teaching, acknowledging and celebrating resilience throughout the whole school'

Trafalgar Primary School delivers appropriate education about Child Abuse Awareness and Prevention through:

- Teaching via the respectful Relationships program through all school levels,
- Relevant information for parents and community published in the school newsletter;
- Holding parent information sessions, on a needs basis, when appropriate.

Evaluation:

This policy will be reviewed as part of the school's three-year review cycle.

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