

Code of Conduct Policy

1. Introduction

Child Side School is committed to providing and ensuring a respectful and safe environment that is safe, positive and supportive for all people in the school. Child Side School expects all school community members including staff, volunteers, children, parents, caregivers, visitors and contractors to share this commitment. The aim of this Code and all other Child Side School Codes of Conduct are in line with the National Principles for Child Safe Organisations to ensure that the school is a safe and pleasant place for children and young people in which learning takes place.

The property and reputation of the school is protected and that children (students) develop self-discipline and consideration for others. The expectation is that adults already have the self-discipline and consideration for others and demonstrate this.

2. Scope and application

The purpose of this code of conduct is to remind ourselves of the commitment we make, as members of Child Side School and Playgroup to provide a safe, kind and creative environment for our children. The School Motto is 'BE SAFE, BE KIND, BE CREATIVE' and is physically displayed in the school and in our school documentation eg. Parent and Staff Information Packages as a constant reminder of the commitment we all make to the school. It is expected that when we are employed or enrol at the school or playgroup the 'Code of Conduct' will be adhered to by all. It should also be noted that it is expected that the 'Code of Conduct' be adhered to by community groups using school facilities, visitors, volunteers or any other individuals or community groups on the school site. The code applies to all activities and events that are school-related and when representing or acting on behalf of the school. The code also requires that our (children's, staff's, parent's, care-givers, governing council member's, visitor's, contractor's) actions do not bring the school into disrepute at any time regardless of whether the action occurs within or outside of school activities.

This policy will be reviewed and amended in accordance with Child Side School Policy on Policies and Policy Guidelines and Procedures Contents Schedule.

The use of the word child/children in this policy refers to students in the context of the school environment.

3. Related legislation, policies and guidelines, documents

- SW Learning Community Association Inc Constitution
- Privacy Act
- Privacy Policy
- Staff Code of Conduct
- Parent Code of Conduct
- Child Code of Conduct K Yr6
- Young Adolescent Code of Conduct
- Governing Council Member Code of Conduct
- Communication Procedure
- Grievance Policy

- Guiding Children's Behaviour
- Anti-Bullying Policy
- Enrolment Policy
- Child Side Curriculum Map
- Child Side Child Safe Organisation Framework

4. Policy Statement

The school expects staff, parents and children to behave in a manner that is consistent with our commitment to being safe, kind and creative through our words and our actions.

The school expects that everyone within the school community will practice courtesy, respect and thoughtfulness in their behaviour towards themselves, others and their environment and, in particular, adults will model this behaviour within the school in their interactions with each other. Each group within the community has their own specific code of conduct: Staff Code of Conduct, Parent Code of Conduct, Child Code of Conduct kindy – Year 6, Young Adolescent Code of Conduct, Governing Council Member Code of Conduct, to comply with.

Version Management

VERSION	DATE REVIEWED	DATE RATIFIED	CHANGES MADE	AUTHOR OF CHANGES	NEXT REVIEW DATE
1	Oct 2011	26/10/2011	Policy formulated	KM	
2	March 2013	20/3/2013	Name changes - GC	KM	
3.	May 2016	29/6/2016	Remove reference to FLA	KM	
4.	March 2017	29/3/2017	Include reference to Child Side School Staff Code of Conduct	KM	
5.	September 2018	28/11/2018	Reviewed and Re- formatted for consistency, Enrolment process added, more specific detail in child code	KM	
6.	Feb 2019	27/2/2019	Code of conduct for each school group separated from overarching policy	KM	Term 1 - 2022
7.	June 2022	20/07/2022	Added standard reference to regular review of policy and the use of the word "children" in the scope	LF	Term 2 - 2023
8.	Oct 2022	09/11/2022	Reference to Child CoC separated in 2 one for kindy-year6 and one for Young adolescence.	KM	Term 3 - 2024