

STATEMENT OF SCHOOL PHILOSOPHY

RATIONALE

At Amsleigh Park Primary School our purpose statement and core values guide our School Philosophy. Our purpose and values are used to support and guide strategic planning and as a reference point in discussion and formulation of school policy. All members of the school community are expected to abide by our school values at all times.

GOALS

- To ensure that the school purpose and values are understood and upheld by all members of the school community and reflected in all teaching and learning programs, policy documentation and implementation.
- To meet the requirements of the Child Safe Standards.

GUIDELINES

 Our core purpose will sit at the centre in all teaching and learning programs, in all documents, in all practice by students and teachers and in work with the School Council and the community.

Our Purpose:

To provide a supportive, engaging learning environment through high quality teaching that enables all students to reach their full potential as lifelong, resilient learners well prepared for an evolving global future.

The school purpose and values are dynamic and can be reviewed as the school needs and context change. They will also be formally reviewed to coincide with the school self-evaluation, school review and strategic plan development. The next school review will be conducted in 2019.

School Values:

- Respect
- Integrity
- Motivation
- Inclusion
- Resilience
- The school will review our commitment to the Child Safe Standards annually and ensure we continue to provide a high quality, safe and caring school environment.

Our school philosophy includes a firm commitment to ensuring child safety and wellbeing and ensuring that our school meets all the requirements of the Child Safe Standards inclusive of the following:

- 1. strategies to embed an organisational culture of child safety, including through effective leadership arrangements
- 2. a child safe policy or statement of commitment to child safety
- 3. a code of conduct that establishes clear expectations for appropriate behaviour with children
- 4. screening, supervision, training and other human resources practices that reduce the risk of child abuse by new and existing personnel
- 5. processes for responding to and reporting suspected child abuse
- 6. strategies to identify and reduce or remove risks of child abuse
- 7. strategies to promote the participation and empowerment of children

ACHIEVEMENT MEASURES

- Parent Feedback as provided through the Parent Opinion Survey.
- Community feedback
- Compliance with VRQA requirements related to the Child Safe Standards.

STATUS:

Reviewed: July 2016 Ratified: August 2016 Next Review: July 2019