



# North Melbourne Primary School

## Child Safety

### Student Code of Conduct

Approval date:

Renewal Date:

North Melbourne Primary School is committed to the safety and wellbeing of children and young people. Our school community recognises the importance of, and a responsibility for, ensuring our school is a safe, supportive and enriching environment. Our conduct respects and fosters the dignity and self-esteem of children and young people, and enables them to thrive in their learning and development.

This Student Code of Conduct aims to outline clear expectations of student behaviour at North Melbourne Primary School.

The Principal and school leaders of North Melbourne Primary School will support implementation and monitoring of the Student Code of Conduct, and will plan, implement and monitor arrangements to provide inclusive, safe and orderly schools and other learning environments. The Principal and school leaders of North Melbourne Primary School will also provide information and support to enable the Student Code of Conduct to operate effectively.

All students at North Melbourne Primary School are required to comply with the Student Code of Conduct by observing expectations for appropriate and inappropriate behaviour below. The Student Code of Conduct applies in all school situations and environments, including school camps and also in the use of digital technology and social media.



## **Acceptable behaviours**

Students of North Melbourne Primary School are responsible for their own actions and behaviors by:

- Upholding the school's values (Responsible, Inclusive, Sagacious & Ethical)
- Treating other students and families in the school community with respect both within the school environment and outside the school environment.
- Listening and responding to the views and concerns of others
- Be inclusive of all, regardless of disability, age, gender, race, culture, vulnerability, sexuality or ethnicity
- Reporting any concerns of any wrong doing to a teacher
- Behave in a manner that does not endanger the health, safety and wellbeing of themselves or others
- Respect the authority of members of staff and observe school rules as required
- Respect school property and the property of staff, contractors, visitors and other students
- Remain in the school grounds during the School day unless otherwise approved
- Complete work set by teachers promptly and to the best of their ability and to take full advantage of the educational opportunities offered at the school



## **Unacceptable behaviours**

Students who breach the Code of Conduct may be sanctioned by a teacher or member of leadership within the school as deemed appropriate given the nature of breach. Appropriate action, which may include behavioural contracts, mediation or internal/external suspension, is at the discretion of the school leadership team.

Students must not:

- Treat anybody unfavourably because of their disability, age, gender, race, culture, vulnerability, sexuality or ethnicity
- Photograph or video anybody else without permission
- Demonstrate any forms of bullying and harassment
- Behave in a way which would interrupt the work of any class or hinder the learning opportunities of other students
- Touch, handle, push or otherwise physically or sexually engage with students or others in a manner which is not appropriate and may endanger the health, safety and wellbeing of that person
- Demonstrate any form of physical or verbal violence including fighting, assault or threats of violence
- Demonstrate any form of cyber bullying or cyber abuse
- Send inappropriate, offensive or explicit text messages, photos or videos
- Use language or conduct in a way which is likely to offend, harass, bully or unfairly discriminate against any student, teacher, contractor or visitor
- Misuse school resources
- Use inappropriate or profane words, gestures or images
- Smoke, consume alcohol or use illicit drugs at school, on school excursions or in transit between school and home