



Siena Catholic Primary School

Child Safety Information Sheet Student Edition!

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Our Vision

With Jesus in our heart, and in the spirit of St Catherine of Siena, we aspire to be a community of love and courage where learning and harmony flourish.

Introduction

At Siena Catholic Primary School we value respect, safety, and responsibility. Everyone has the right to feel safe at school and each student is encouraged to speak up when they feel unsafe.

Our school values diversity and encourages different cultures, backgrounds, abilities, and beliefs to be welcomed into our school community.

Every student, staff member, family members and people in our community should feel safe so that they can learn and flourish through the footsteps of Jesus.

Purpose

The staff at Siena Catholic Primary School are committed to making a learning environment that is safe for all students. The students at Siena Catholic Primary School are taught to value each person and their diversity. At Siena, safety is a priority that's why all our staff, volunteers and any community members who join us have read our 'Child safety policy'. These people understand the importance of keeping students safe and cared for.







Principles

The most important job at Siena Catholic Primary School is to keep students safe and cared for. We also believe that each student is valued by;

- Being safe
- Being respectful
- Being responsible
- Showing love, courage, learning and harmony

Our School Commitments

All students at Siena Catholic Primary School has the right to feel;

- Safe
- Cared for
- That they belong
- Respected
- Have the courage to speak up
- Have potential
- Feel welcomed
- Be protected when they feel unsafe.



Expectations of our School Staff

At Siena Catholic Primary School we expect all staff, volunteers, replacement teachers, priests, visitors, and tradies to make sure all students are safe at all times. All these members of our school community have agreed to work together to keep students safe and act immediately if they have any concerns about any child.

A copy of the 'Safeguarding Children and Young People Code of Conduct' is available on our school website and in the school office. All visiting community members are required to wear a lanyard, to sign in to the office and to keep students safe.

Student Participation

At Siena Catholic Primary School, students are taught how to interact with others, self regulate their own emotions and encouraged to help create a safer environment for all. This is done through Circle time, Social and emotional learning (SEL), daily meditation, daily prayer, and open dialogue to encourage students to be courageous to speak up.

Reporting and Responding

Staff at Siena Catholic Primary School have agreed to report and respond to any concerns about a student they may have.

Hiring Staff and Staff Training

Everyone who is employed at Siena Catholic Primary School has agreed to ensure the safety of all students. Before employing staff and volunteers, Siena Catholic Primary School ensures that every person working in our school community has had relevant checks and inductions. Each person needs to have:

- A current Working with children's check (WWCC)
- No criminal record
- Signed the code of conduct
- The leadership team speak with people who have worked with them before to make sure that they keep others safe



Professional Learning for School Staff

Siena Catholic Primary School staff regularly spend time working together to make sure they know the best ways to keep students safe. Staff are regularly involved in meetings that discuss the importance of child safety and how best to manage safety at our school.

Risk Management

Siena Catholic Primary School works diligently to make sure all students feel safe and cared for. The school staff look for and record any problems concerning the safety of students and work to fix these issues straight away. Everyone at Siena Catholic Primary School is encouraged to show courage to speak up if they see an issue. Staff are continuously investigating new ideas, resources and approaches to make sure student safety is a priority.



Communication

Siena Catholic Primary School staff and the student leadership group have helped to create this student edition of our Child Safety Information Sheet. Staff will spend time reading this document with their students. A copy of this document will be kept in the school office as well as on our website. The school community of Siena Catholic Primary School will be made aware of this document through our newsletter, website and other communication channels.

Review

This Information Sheet will be reviewed every 2 years and will incorporate suggestions from the students, teachers, staff volunteers and our wider community.

"Be who God wants you to be and you will set the world on fire". St Catherine of Siena

