

# St Joseph's Catholic Primary School, Warragul

## Child Friendly Child Safe Policy

School community  
Take responsibility  
Act safely

Respectful 



# Introduction

All adults that work at St Joseph's Primary School have a responsibility to keep students safe and protected at all times.



# Purpose of this policy

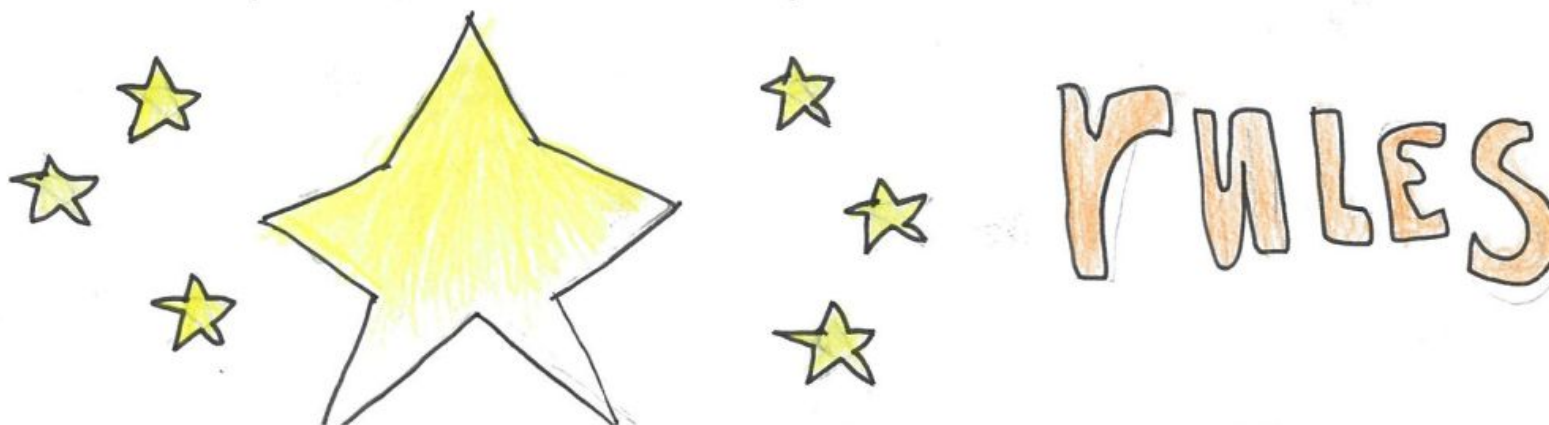
The reason for this policy is to make sure that all students of St Joseph's know they have a right to feel and be safe at school, on excursions and at camp.



# Principles



- At St Joseph's we are a community who take responsibility, act safely and are always respectful (STAR).
- All students must be safe at all times.
- The adults at St Joseph's work hard to keep our school environment safe, inclusive and supportive.
- Adults follow child safety rules.
- Children at St Joseph's know that if they feel unsafe, the adults will help them.



# Commitment to Child Safety

All students have the right to feel safe.

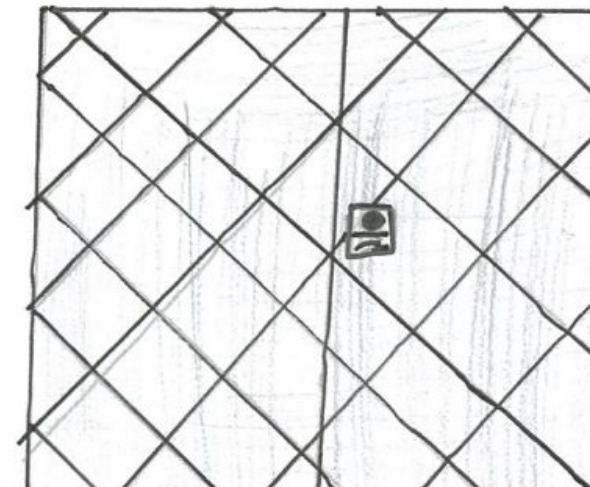
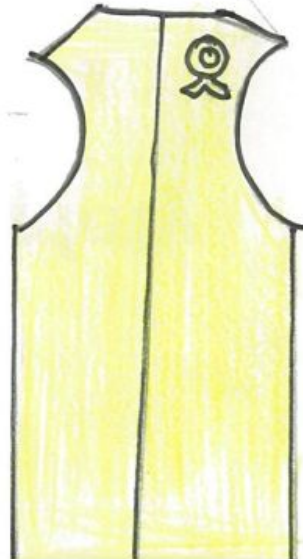
Our school is committed to keeping all students safe from poor behaviour and abuse (harm).

The staff at St Joseph's listen to students and take their concerns or problems very seriously.



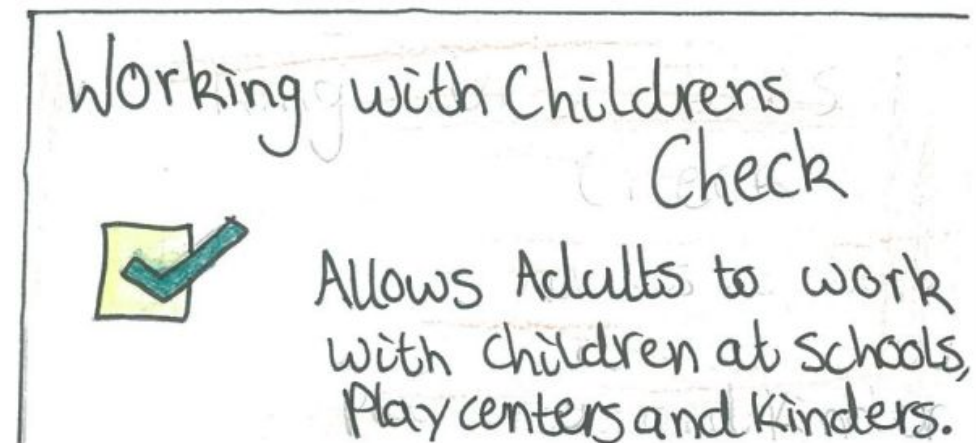
# How we manage risks to our safety

- St Joseph's has a fence around the school perimeter to keep the students safe.
- Gates are always locked during school hours.
- Staff on yard duty wear yellow vests for children to see easier.
- There are children only toilets around the school, adults must use the adult toilets .



# How we manage risks to our safety

- Before an excursion, camp or event, staff think carefully how to avoid situations that may cause any danger to students.
- Visitors must always sign in through the office and will wear a sticker badge.
- All people that work for or visit St Joseph's have gone through a special safety check called a Working With Children Check (WWCC) or hold a special registration with the Victoria Institute of Teaching (VIT).
- Sometimes we may practice emergency drills to help students know what to do in an emergency.



# Hiring of Staff to work at St. Joseph's

At St Joseph's, our Principal makes sure the right person gets a job here and are committed to keeping children safe at all time.





# What to do if you don't feel safe

If you don't feel safe at school you can:

1. Talk with your classroom teacher.
2. Talk to the staff member on yard duty.
3. Tell another trusted adult at school.
4. Tell a friend.
5. Speak with Mrs Joyner or Mr Redi

The staff at St Joseph's will listen to your problems in the classroom, on the playground and at home. Sometimes if it is a big problem, other people may be called in to help solve the problem.



# Always remember

Always remember that we are a **SCHOOL COMMUNITY**, who takes **responsibility**, acts **safely** and are always **respectful**.

