CODE OF CONDUCT POLICY

RATIONALE

The staff and students of the School have a set of guidelines known as the “School Rules” which provide a framework for acceptable standards of behaviour between students, staff, and staff and students.

The school rules ensure that students and staff have consistent guidelines for behaviour that ensure their safety and comfort in a positive environment.

The School values and actively encourages volunteers to participate within the classroom, on excursions and camps, and at sporting events. The school also has many visitors who may be there for either maintenance issues, or for interaction with staff or students.

It is important that there is consistency in the standards of behaviour for interaction between volunteers or visitors to the school, and students and staff.

PURPOSE

To provide a common set of standards of behaviour for interaction between volunteers, or visitors to the school, and the staff and students of the school.

To provide a safe, harmonious and secure learning environment for the students and staff of the school.

To comply with DEECD directives and guidelines.

DEFINITIONS

The School Rules:

1. Move and play safely
2. Care for yourself, others and property
3. Resolve problems calmly, sensibly and fairly
4. Respect others through your speech and manners
5. Work as well as you can and allow others to do the same.

Definitions of volunteers and visitors are given in the Volunteers Policy and the Visitors Policy.
GUIDING PRINCIPLES

1. Volunteers and visitors to the school are required to be aware of the school rules and behave in accordance with the substance and spirit of the school rules. This includes language, manner of speaking, respect for personal space and property and care with any physical contact.

2. Concerns about the behaviour of an individual within the school are to be addressed to the supervising teacher or to the Assistant Principal or Principal.

3. The Principal of the School or his/her nominated representative may ask a person who is a volunteer or visitor to the school to leave if their behaviour is not in accordance with the content and spirit of the school rules.

4. To be read in conjunction with the Privacy Policy, Volunteers Policy, Visitors Policy and Internet Usage Policy.

REVIEW

This policy will be reviewed towards the end of 2011.