

1. PURPOSE:

- 1.1. The welfare and discipline policy aims to ensure the teachers achieve the educational and social goals of the students in a positive and caring environment.

2. DEFINITION:

- 3.1 All members of the school community have rights and responsibilities which must be respected by all.
- 3.2 Teachers should be able to teach and assist students without being disrupted.
- 3.3 Students should have every chance to learn and play without being disrupted, harassed or interfered with.
- 3.4 Students should follow the '6 Life Choices' at all times, in conjunction with the 'You Can Do It!' program:
 - Treat everything appropriately
 - Keep hands and feet to yourself
 - Listen to the speakers
 - Follow directions
 - Speak appropriately
 - Move safely
- 3.5 Students should follow the guidelines regarding cyber safety as set out in the eLearning and Anti-bullying Policies.

3. GUIDELINES:

- 3.6 The school's discipline policy is based on the '6 Life Choices' and the 'You Can Do It!' Program.
- 3.7 Rules and consequences for general classroom behaviour will be made by teachers in consultation with the students, based on the '6 Life Choices' and the 'You Can Do It!' principles.
- 3.8 Rules will be kept to a desirable minimum and stated clearly. They will be based on the '6 Life Choices' and reflect safety for others, safety of self, respect for the rights and privileges of others, and maintenance of school facilities.
- 3.9 Positive and appropriate behaviour will be consistently reinforced by verbal or written recognition, e.g., Student of the Week certificates.
- 3.10 Inappropriate classroom behaviour is followed by a series of hierarchical consequences, which are clearly documented and displayed. Students and parents will be made fully aware of these.

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- 3.11 Inappropriate behaviour in the yard will be followed by a demerit point system, depending on the severity of the behaviour. When giving a demerit point, teachers will discuss with the student the choice they have made and guide them towards making better choices in the future.
 - 3.12 Students who receive three or more demerit points in a term will incur further consequences and parents will be made fully aware of ongoing behavioural issues.
 - 3.13 Inappropriate communication by students or cyber bullying in the online community via computers and/or iPads will result in the loss of access at the teacher's discretion, and parents will be informed.
 - 3.14 All teachers must follow mandatory reporting procedures as set down by Government Legislation regarding the personal safety of students.
 - 3.15 In-servicing courses will be organised to keep staff informed regarding current trends in welfare and discipline.