

# Community Code of Conduct

# Introduction

Parents and carers are an integral part of the Noosa Pengari Steiner School community, working alongside teachers and staff to maintain a safe and respectful learning environment for all pupils. The school actively encourages a close association and interaction amongst the parents and carers, teachers, pupils and staff and expects them to display standards of behaviour that will uphold a harmonious school culture. The School Community Code of Conduct sets clear standards of behaviour, which are expected of all members of the school community. These standards apply to all school-authorised events on and off campus, including excursions and camps.

# Noosa Pengari Steiner School Interpersonal Values

All members of the school community are expected to conduct themselves in a manner which:

- Values respect and dignity for each other
- Values co-operation, civility and responsibility
- Values safety and is supportive of the school's philosophical ethos

## The Role of Parents and Carers

Parents and carers should act in good faith, in line with the school values. They have a responsibility to:

#### 1. Support the ethos of the school -

Parents and Carers should support the work of all teachers and uphold the principles, values and educational philosophy which guide them.

#### 2. Support and comply with all policies of the school -

Parents and Carers are expected to comply with school policies and reasonable directions including those related to health and safety and communications within the school community. They should actively encourage their children to follow school rules.

#### 3. Maintain an active interest in their child's school life -

Parents and carers should work in partnership with teachers to encourage their children to be positive members of their class community, following instructions and working co-operatively with other pupils to enhance the best learning outcomes for everyone.

#### 4. Treat all members of the school community with respect and dignity -

Parents and carers should always act in a respectful manner by supporting teachers and staff in maintaining a safe, secure and respectful learning environment for everyone. They must act appropriately on school grounds and not contribute to the inappropriate behaviour of others. Threatening behaviour and harassment of staff, students, parents and community members is unacceptable and will not be tolerated.

Parents are not to raise issues with other parents regarding their children or matters that have arisen at school. All matters to be referred to the class teacher in line with the communication pathway.

## **Breaches of the Code of Conduct**

All parents and carers are expected to follow this Community Code of Conduct. Serious breaches of this code, or repeated breaches of a less serious nature, which constitute a breakdown in the relationship between the family and the school, may lead to a discontinuation of the enrolment.

## All decisions in matters concerning the Community Code of Conduct rest with the Principal.