

1.0 PURPOSE OF THIS POLICY

- 1.1 To provide enjoyable first hand learning opportunities and experiences.
- 1.2 To promote leadership, social interaction, cooperation, and interdependence with peers, teachers and parents.
- 1.3 To extend the students' environment and range of experiences.
- 1.4 To foster independence.
- 1.5 To develop skills relevant to the nature and purpose of the camp.

2.0 PRINCIPLES

The camping program should:

- 2.1 provide developmental experiences relevant to the student's maturity and capabilities;
- 2.2 enhance school curriculum;
- 2.3 be available to all students in years 3 -12;
- 2.4 involve parents where appropriate;
- 2.5 concern staff directly associated with the year level involved and allow additional staff to attend on a voluntary/rotational basis.
- 2.6 include a person medically qualified to administer medication wherever possible.
- 2.7 Any volunteer staff/parent attending will have a current 'Working With Children'
- 2.8 Camp records will show evidence of this.

3.0 HOW THIS POLICY WILL BE PUT INTO PRACTICE

The program will include:

- 3.1 appropriate pre-skills and learning activities;
 - a Year3 local camp, fully catered for 2 nights during term 4 in cabin- style accommodation;
 - a Year 4 urban camp, fully catered for 2 nights during term 4 in hostel-type accommodation;
 - a Year 5 outdoor adventure camp, for 3 nights during term 2, focusing on outdoor education.
 - a Year 6 leadership camp, focusing on leadership and team work.
 - a Year 7 orientation camp to support the transition into secondary school.
 - a Year 8 Surf Camp at *Anglesea* , fully catered for 2 nights in bunk house-style accommodation during term 4.
 - Year 9 a series of outdoor education camp experiences made available to students, nature and venue determined by conditions, student interests and available staff.
 - a year 10 Urban experience (*Melbourne*) camp for 2 nights/ 3 days.
 - a year 11 Urban work experience (Melbourne).
 - a year 12 orientation/motivational overnight camp.
- 3.2 The program will adhere to Ministerial Policy regarding camps and excursions.
- 3.3 Details of camps may vary due to changing circumstances.
- 3.4 A contingency fund will be maintained by the Principal to provide financial assistance if required.