

# Trinity Catholic School Child Safety Policy 2020



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*In Unity Strength*

# Introduction And Purpose

Our school is responsible for our care, safety and wellbeing.

We have a Child Safe Policy so that everyone is respected and feels safe.

It is important that we are listened to and have an opportunity to share our thoughts and opinions.



The purpose of this policy is to make sure that all students feel comfortable with the people around them.

Our teachers care about us and also make sure that we feel safe when we are at school, excursions, on camps and anywhere else in the community.

The teachers and staff in the school know what to do if a student says that they feel unsafe.

# Rights And Responsibilities

## EXPECTATIONS

- Students have the right to be safe
- Students have the right to be respected
- Everyone has the right to learn

Speak  
Appropriately

Follow  
Directions

Move Safely

Listen To The  
Speaker

Care For All  
Property

Keep Hands,  
Feet and  
Other Objects  
To Yourself



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# Commitment To Child Safety And Managing Risks



Our school is committed to keeping our students safe from unsafe behaviour and bullying

Every student has the right to feel and be safe.

## RISK MANAGEMENT

The school keeps us safe by-

- closing the gates
- teachers on yard duty who wear bright vests
- 'children only' toilets

Adults at our school must use adult toilets / visitor toilets

- Before every event, excursion or camp our teachers think about how to avoid situations that might be dangerous or that may hurt us.
- We should always tell someone if we see a risk

# Visitors Must Sign In To The Office

All adults in our school need to sign in to the office.

If you see an adult without a school lanyard / name badge you should let a teacher/ LSO know so they can take that person back to the office to sign in to our visitors register.

This includes:

- Parent helpers
- Visitors
- Maintenance people like electricians, plumbers and builders
- Guest speakers



# Code of Conduct

Our school makes sure there is a **Code of Conduct** for all teachers, helpers, office staff, Fr Huy, Emergency Teachers, parent helpers, other volunteers and workers that describes how they should behave.

Just like we have the school rules for students, the Code of Conduct is the expectation for adults and can be found on the school website and in the office.



# Inclusion And Empowerment For Students

Trinity Catholic School works with students to-

- ensure that they are empowered to understand their rights
- recognise what abuse is
- encourage them to speak up when they feel uncomfortable or afraid
- all students have a voice and will be listened to

Trinity Catholic School values everyone's individuality.

We look after children with different abilities, backgrounds, beliefs and appearances.

TCS aims to make everyone feel comfortable.



# Feeling Safe Program

At Trinity we build student capacity to:

- Identify when we feel safe and unsafe, and when we are at risk
- Can identify safe and unsafe touching
- Promote personal safety (avoid harm where possible)
- And to seek help using identified safety networks

The “Feeling Safe Program” gives students the skills, strategies and confidence to prevent abuse and keep safe

## Protective Behaviours





# Responding And Reporting

Our teachers as well as other adults will listen to our problems on the yard, in the classroom and if we are having an issue at home.

If it is a big problem sometimes other people are called in to help us solve the problem



The Principal and teachers at Trinity Catholic School understand that it is important for all students to feel safe.

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

- tell your class teacher or Learning Support Officer (LSO)
- tell the teacher on yard duty
- tell another trusted adult at school
- tell a buddy/ friend