

# PICNIC POINT PUBLIC SCHOOL

## ACCESS POLICY



**“Strive to Excel”**

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### **Purpose:**

To ensure the safety and wellbeing of students, staff and visitors of Picnic Point Public School.

### **Aims:**

- To maximise the safety of all students, staff and visitors;
- To ensure all visitors to the school conduct themselves in an appropriate manner;
- To ensure that students, staff, parents and other visitors are not subjected to aggressive, hostile or violent behaviours; and
- To ensure the rights of students, teachers and parents are respected and upheld.

### **Implementation:**

*Parents and visitors to the school are expected to:*

1. Treat all persons associated with the school with respect and courtesy
2. Make appointments in advance for interviews
3. Allow staff to supervise, investigate and manage students without interference
4. Never directly approach another person's child, as issues between students will be dealt with accordingly under the school's Discipline and Welfare policies
5. Leave the grounds if requested by the Principal or nominee
6. Follow school procedures governing entry and behaviour on school
  - a) grounds, including any restrictions that may be imposed
  - b) All visitors must sign in at the front office and obtain a visitor's pass.
  - c) After the visit all visitors must sign out at the front office and return the pass.
  - d) School functions involving large numbers of visitors are precluded from signing in procedures.

**Breaches:**

Any person contravening this Code of Conduct is advised that the provisions of the *Inclosed Lands Protection Act (1901) and its Amendments* will be used in the event of the following:

- Actual physical assaults or threatened physical assaults on students, staff, parents or community members at the school or during the course of school activities.
- Behaviour in the presence of students, staff, parents or other visitors to the school that causes alarm or concern to students, staff, parents or other visitors.
- Use of offensive language (i.e. swearing) in the presence of students, staff or other visitors to the school.
- Any interruption to the learning environment of the school such as entering the school interior without permission.
- Persistent entry to the school site without permission or legitimate reason.

Under the terms of the Act, the Principal (or nominee) has the legal authority to:

- Direct the person to immediately leave the grounds.
- Call the police to remove the person should he/she refuse.
- Restrict or withdraw future permission (by letter) for the person to enter the grounds without permission of the Principal.