

Guidelines for Parents / Carers about Safeguarding Students and Children

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St Michael's Collegiate School (Collegiate or School) is committed to creating an environment where all of its community can enjoy participation in our activities and events without experiencing abusive, insulting, threatening or other anti-social behaviour.

We call on all parents / carers associated with Collegiate to:

- observe these School's guidelines for parents / carers;
- when necessary, politely and respectfully remind others of their obligations under these guidelines; and
- in the event of serious or ongoing breaches of these guidelines by another person, to report the matter to the School so that appropriate action can be taken.

Our Guidelines for Parents / Carers

All students and children's safe participation in, and enjoyment of their time at Collegiate are our primary consideration. As parents and carers your role is to support these outcomes by:

- acting in line with our key values of Courage, Integrity, Compassion;
- modelling respectful and transparent communication with other members of the Collegiate community: staff, students and families;
- encouraging your child's participation in a positive and respectful manner;
- not engaging in behaviour that discriminates against any other person on the basis of gender, race, ability, colour, religion, language, politics or national or ethnic origin;
- advising the School of any special needs that your child may have, or develop, during the course of the program (for example, they may suffer from asthma or allergies, or have hearing difficulties), so that we can assist in their safe participation in the program;
- promptly reporting any child safety concerns to the appropriate school staff; and
- advising the School of any changes in contact information for use in the event of an emergency.