

PASTORAL CARE POLICY

Aim

Students achieve their full potential when they feel safe, and when their social and emotional needs are taken care of. Social and emotional wellbeing is as important as academics and physical health when considering the pre-requisites for a motivated, positive learner. Pioneer Village School staff support students so they feel safe and secure, with a real sense of belonging and trust.

Staff will also perform best if they feel safe and secure. The care and support of all staff is critical to ensure a flow on effect to the students of the school. Staff should experience a positive professional environment in which they feel valued and supported.

The PVS Pastoral Care Action Plan guides pastoral care decisions. The school values Perseverance, Excellence, Integrity, Fairness and Respect and are integrated in daily school life and taught explicitly to support the pastoral care of all community members. This program provides a context for everything that occurs in the school as well as outlining the expectations for all interactions. Both guide the development of attitudes towards others, the learning environment, and behaviour.

Pioneer Village School students are:

- Guided to understand their own value and dignity.
- Taught to appreciate the value and dignity of others.
- Encouraged to develop affirming and positive relationships with each other and members of the wider community.
- Taught the values, attitudes and skills that enable them to become self-directed, contributing members of society.
- Taught to develop a caring attitude toward all those needing help and support within our school community and the wider community.

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