

STUDENT DEVELOPMENT POLICY

1.0 PURPOSE

- 1.1 To create learning environments within the classroom and the school generally, as well as beyond, which encourage students in their pursuit of personal excellence.
- 1.2 To maintain openness and flexibility in the school's approach to students' different needs. To encourage acceptance of all individual differences.
- 1.3 To provide stimulating and challenging activities to enrich students' learning in one or more intellectual, academic, creative and physical fields.
- 1.4 To provide guidance for children to enable them to recognise and embrace their talents and learn strategies which will encourage their continued development.
- 1.5 To acknowledge the achievements of students and the positive contribution they make to the enrichment of the school and wider community.

2.0 GUIDELINES FOR IMPLEMENTATION

- 2.1 Provide a diversity of open-ended classroom activities, accessible to all, with challenges for all students.
- 2.2 Provide multi-age group activities or programs and special activity days.
- 2.3 Seek out ways in which the wider community may be involved in broadening students' horizons.
- 2.4 Facilitate individual students to attend specific activities at their level. (*Refer to Special Event Student Selection Policy*)
- 2.5 Promote the development of special interest groups, which may operate within the regular classroom or outside class time.

3.0 BASIS OF DISCRETION

- 3.1 Student participation will be decided on the basis of a procedure designed by the Principal with staff in accordance with DEECD guidelines.

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