



SCHOOL PHILOSOPHY POLICY

At Abbotsford Primary School, our students learn in a supportive and caring environment. We are recognised for our commitment to developing the whole child, whether that is their academic, social or emotional learning.

Vision

Abbotsford Primary School is awesome due to the respect and high expectations we hold for each other.

Our School community learn together in a vibrant, safe and inclusive environment.

Our quality teaching equips our students for success.

Values

Respect, Success, High Expectations, Inclusiveness.

Expectations

I come to school to learn.

I am polite and I use my manners when talking with others.

I use appropriate language at school.

I share equipment and use equipment carefully.

I listen to others when they are speaking.

I help others that need help.

Guidelines

In accordance with the principles outlined in the *Education and Training Reform Act 2006 (Vic)*, as a Victorian government school, the programs of, and teaching at Abbotsford Primary School will support and promote the principles and practices of Australian democracy including a commitment to:

- An elected government
- The rule of law
- Equal rights for all before the law
- Freedom of religion
- Freedom of speech and association
- The values of openness and tolerance

Also, in accordance with the *Education and Training Reform Act 2006 (Vic)*, the school will provide a secular education and will not promote any particular religious practice, denomination or sect and is open to adherents of any philosophy, religion or faith.

Implementation of School Philosophy

This school philosophy will be central to all:

- school initiatives, policies and practices;
- teaching and learning programs;
- internal and external interactions;
- organisational structures and practices; and
- dealings with parents, the School Council and the community.

Regular evaluation processes will be in place to measure performance in all areas of the school with respect to the implementation of the vision and values of the school.

Related Policies

Abbotsford Primary School Student Engagement and Inclusion Policy, 2016.

Abbotsford Primary School Bullying and Harassment Policy, 2016.

Evaluation

This policy was ratified by School Council in September 2016.

This policy will be reviewed as part of the school's four-year review cycle.