Parental Code of Conduct

Introduction

St Dympna’s School is a Catholic School within the Archdiocese of Brisbane.

Our School Vision

St Dympna’s seeks to provide a quality Catholic learning environment reflecting the Josephite spirit, so that its students are faith filled and prepared to make a difference.

We aspire to be a community which truly reflects the vision of God’s love for all.
This Code of Conduct is intended to provide school community members with guidelines for the effective conduct of meetings and the development of positive relationships within the school community.

The school recognises that parents have the primary role as educators of their children thus collaboration between parents and school is necessary for effective learning within the school community. The school acknowledges the variety of gifts parents bring to the school community including active participation in the school community and involvement in the decision making of the school.

**General Conduct**
Community Members agree to;

a. Support the principal and staff in the development of a Christ-centred learning community based upon the principles of Catholic doctrine;

b. Support the school’s policies and procedures developed in consultation with all stakeholders. The principal has the responsibility to implement these policies;

c. Acknowledge life giving value of collaboration. Accept responsibility for their child’s/children’s progress and work with the teaching staff to deal promptly with areas of concern;

d. Treat all members of the school community with respect and courtesy; and

e. Acknowledge and affirm success in individual and school achievement.

**Conduct at Meetings**
The regular Parents and Friends Association meeting is an opportunity for community members to contribute to discussion on issues and to take decisions that will have a positive impact on the school community.

There are other contexts in which parent groups meet and make decisions.

To ensure that these are carried out effectively, community members agree to;

a. participate in P&F Association meetings and other community activities and meetings in a constructive manner and respect the views of others,

b. conduct activities in accordance with the Constitution of the P&F Association,

c. acknowledge that the decisions taken and actions proposed at the P&F Association and other groups are representative of the majority of the school community,

d. adhere to the processes available to have issues addressed and decisions reviewed,

e. support the President and Members of the P&F Executive when they are required to make decisions on behalf of all parents in the school community, and

f. use appropriate conduct when participating in meeting discussions and promote positive personal relationships among community members

**Conduct Unbecoming**
If a community member is in breach of this code, the president of the P&F Association or the convenor of any other group meeting will meet with the principal to decide appropriate action. The principal’s decision will be final and binding on community members.