# **DRUG EDUCATION POLICY**



#### **Rationale:**

The use of drugs including alcohol, tobacco, illicit and pharmaceutical drugs is common in our society. Our students may be exposed to drug-related issues at home, school and in the wider community. Eaglehawk North Primary School is committed to providing a safe and supportive environment where students are given appropriate

skills and knowledge to minimise drug-related harm.

### **Purpose:**

- 1. To provide a planned and consistent drug education program within the Eaglehawk North Primary School curriculum.
- 2. To establish principles of harm minimisation in dealing with drug issues.

## **Guidelines for Implementation:**

- 1. Drug Education will be a component of Teaching and Learning programs from Prep to Grade 6, as well as a formal drug education unit in grade 5.
- 2. The school will provide ongoing and relevant professional development for staff so that they feel confident in implementing these procedures.
- 3. Guidelines for dealing with drug-related incidents will be established within the context of the Student.
- 4. Curriculum programs will include activities promoting the School Values program, cooperation, self-discipline and self-esteem throughout the school.
- 5. The school will work collaboratively with members of the wider school community.
- 6. Links with community Support Services will be maintained and utilised.
- 7. Responsibility for administering and recording first aid and medication will be given to qualified staff.
- 8. Clear guidelines for the management, recording and administering of first aid and medication are detailed within the Medication Administration Policy.
- 9. The Welfare Committee will be provided with a Resource Budget.

#### **Resources:**

- Eaglehawk North Drug Education Strategy Plan. ENPS Drug Education Plan 2010
- Drugs, Legal, Issues, Schools.
- Get Real
- Get Wise

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