



Child Safe Standard 7: Child Empowerment

Rationale

Children have the right to give their views and opinions about decisions that affect them and to be listened to. Empowerment is about helping children to have their say. Children are more likely to speak up about their concerns about feeling unsafe, or make a complaint, if they feel their views are valued and welcomed.

Implementation

Hesket Primary School will develop strategies to deliver appropriate education about:

- standards of behaviour for students attending the school;
- healthy and respectful relationships;
- resilience; and
- child abuse awareness and prevention.

Hesket Primary School will promote the Child Safe Standards in ways that are readily accessible, easy to understand, and user-friendly to children.

Hesket Primary School delivers appropriate education about **Standards of Behaviour** by

- ensuring clear expectations for appropriate and inappropriate behavior are monitored
- having an up to date Student Engagement and Inclusion Policy

Hesket Primary School delivers appropriate education about **Healthy and Respectful Relationships** by

- implementing a comprehensive Health and Physical Education program
- promoting mental health and wellbeing through the KidsMatter initiative

Hesket Primary School delivers appropriate education about **Resilience** by

- promoting, modeling, teaching, acknowledging and celebrating resilience.

Hesket Primary School School delivers appropriate education about **Child Abuse Awareness and Prevention** by

- relevant information for parents and community published in the school newsletter
- holding parent information sessions on a needs basis when appropriate.

Evaluation

- This policy was last updated in October 2018.