

# **Guidelines for Communication at Karratha Primary School**

Karratha Primary School acknowledges that effective communication is the key to success in building a positive relationship between home and school. We achieve this through our relationships, good communication and working together.

Respectful Engagement	It is expected that parents and carers and/or visitors to our schools will:	Parents and carers and/or visitors to our schools demonstrate this by:
Culture	recognise every student is important to us     contribute to a respectful school culture     promote and model good behaviour     work together with staff to resolve issues or concerns     respect the right of staff to disconnect from work outside of school hours     share responsibility in creating safe and secure learning environments	<ul> <li>respecting the diversity of our schools and the right to an education for every child</li> <li>always communicating respectfully about our schools and our staff</li> <li>not engaging in malicious or judgmental gossip in person, in writing, or on social media; about our students, staff and school community members</li> <li>raising concerns early with a staff member, the principal or the Department of Education directly</li> <li>understanding sometimes compromises are necessary, to find an acceptable solution to concerns raised</li> <li>understanding that obstacles, barriers and disappointments are part of the growth journey supporting children and young people to work through difficulties and build resilience</li> </ul>
Communication	be mutually respectful     act as positive role models     actively help to solve concerns     use the school's communication channels and processes to address concerns	<ul> <li>appreciating that school staff may not be available to respond immediately</li> <li>knowing that staff will respond to appropriate communication when they are able</li> <li>requesting a meeting to discuss any concerns about your child's education — allowing staff time to prepare and appreciating their time may be limited</li> <li>not using offensive, insulting and derogatory language; and inappropriate conduct</li> <li>being kind when interacting with others</li> </ul>
Collaboration	work with the school to provide a safe and productive learning environment     ensure your child attends school ready to learn     know and support the school's Student Good Standing Policy     schedule meetings at an agreed time, for an agreed purpose	maintaining professional relationships that are open, honest and respectful     taking responsibility for your child arriving and leaving school safely on time every day     supporting your child to understand and follow the Student Good Standing requirements     scheduling an appointment to meet with the teacher or principal

# Before contacting the school with a concern, parents are encouraged to:

- · talk with family or friends to clarify your concern
- write down your concern
- make a list of all relevant information specific to your concern
- make an appointment with the most appropriate person at Karratha Primary School to assist with your concern. In most instances, speak with your child's classroom teacher first by booking a meeting through the front office, via the staff members email or Classroom Connect page. Please refer to the Contacting Karratha Primary School guide.

# Discuss your enquiry or concern with the class teacher if it is about your child's:

- academic progress
- · general behaviour
- · social or emotional wellbeing
- assessment
- attendance
- homework

### In your discussion with the teacher:

- discuss all possible outcomes for addressing your enquiry/concern, including your own suggestions.
- settle on an option that can be achieved with input from you, the teacher and your child.



The guide below will assist you with who to contact at KPS



## **PASTORAL CARE**

(Social/Emotional/Peer)

#### 1. CLASSROOM TEACHER

OR if the inquiry is about a Specialist Class:

- Science/Design Technology Miss Kay
- The Arts Ms Sheedy
- Indonesian Miss Middleton
- Physical Education Miss Pasquale



#### 2. CHAPLAIN JUDE

Provide a listening ear with confidential, non-judgemental pastoral care.

Contact your child's classroom teacher for a referral.

#### 3. DEPUTY PRINCIPALS

Kindergarten-Miss Piacentini
Pre-Primary to Year 3-Mrs Woodvine
Years 4 to 6-Miss Piacentini

First Point of Contact

**Second Point of Contact** 

Further Contact

# ACADEMIC ACHIEVEMENT

(Progress/Classroom)

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PRINCIPAL - Mrs Navarrete

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