



## Child Code of Conduct

### **Purpose**

Woodline Primary is committed to ensuring a respectful learning environment that is safe, positive and supportive for all children.

It is the intention of Woodline Primary to provide clear guidelines to all children regarding the conduct expected of them whilst at school, engaging in school related activities or representing the school. Children are expected to uphold Woodline's core values at all times.

### **Application**

This Code applies to all Woodline Primary children. The application of this Code is not limited to the school site and school hours. It extends to all activities and events that are school-related and when representing or acting on behalf of Woodline. The Code also requires that a child's actions do not bring Woodline into disrepute at any time regardless of whether the action occurs within or outside of school activities.

### **Definition of a 'Child'**

For the purposes of this policy, a 'Child' of Woodline Primary shall be considered to be a current child of Woodline Primary until they withdraw from Woodline or are no longer enrolled.

### **Conduct and Bearing of All Children**

It is expected that every child will:

- uphold the school's core values at all times
- behave in a manner that does not endanger the health, safety and wellbeing of themselves or others
- abide by all health and safety rules and procedures operating within Woodline and other locations at which the child may visit
- ensure that their actions do not bring Woodline into disrepute
- respect the authority of Team members and observe school guidelines as required
- strictly adhere to the school's policies and procedures as required
- be respectful and supportive of the school's beliefs and values
- behave with courtesy and consideration for others. In particular, children must refrain from all forms of bullying and harassment (see also: Managing Child Wellbeing – Bullying and Harassment Policy)



- refrain from behaviour which would interrupt the learning of any group or hinder the learning opportunities of other children
- refrain from activities, conduct or communication that would reasonably be seen to undermine the reputation of Woodline, Team members or Children of the School (including activities on social media)
- respect Woodline property and the property of Team members, contractors, visitors and other Children
- be punctual and attend all sessions
- remain in the school grounds during the school day unless otherwise approved

### **Unacceptable Conduct**

Unacceptable conduct includes, but is not limited to:

- touching, handling, pushing or otherwise physically or sexually engaging with Children or others in a manner which is not appropriate and may endanger the health, safety and wellbeing of that person
- any form of physical or verbal violence including fighting, assault or threats of violence
- language or conduct which is likely to offend, harass, bully or unfairly discriminate against any child, teacher, contractor or visitor
- theft, fraud or misuse of school resources
- the use of inappropriate or profane words or gestures and images
- unacceptable attendance level

### **Reporting**

It is expected that all children will report any cases of non-compliance with this Code to a Guide or the Principal (in confidence).

### **Breach**

The observing Team member will reiterate the guidelines with the Child who breached the Code of Conduct in accordance with the Behaviour Management Policy.

Children who continue to breach the Code will meet with a member of the Executive Team. Appropriate action, which may include Individual Plans, mediation or a reset day will be discussed with the Principal and is at the discretion of the Principal.

Ongoing breaches may lead to the termination of the Child's enrolment at Woodline Primary.

The Police and/or Department of Human and Health Services will be informed of any unlawful breaches of this Code in accordance with applicable legislation and the Woodline's Child Protection Policy.