



Broadmeadows Valley Primary School

Identifying, Reducing and Removing Risks of Child Abuse

Child Safety Standard 6

RATIONALE

Broadmeadows Valley Primary school will develop, implement, monitor and evaluate risk management strategies to ensure child safety in the school's environments in accordance with clause 12.

IMPLEMENTATION OF CLAUSE 12

1. Broadmeadows Valley Primary school will develop and implement risk management strategies regarding *child safety in school environments*.
2. The school's risk management strategies regarding *child safety* will identify and mitigate the risk(s) of *child abuse in school environments* by taking into account the nature of each *school environment* (including camps, excursions and incursions), the activities expected to be conducted in that environment (including the provision of services by contractors or outside organisations), and the characteristics and needs of all children expected to be present in that environment.
3. If Broadmeadows Valley Primary school identifies risks of *child abuse* occurring in one or more *school environments* the School Council will make a record of those risks and specify the action(s) the school will take to reduce or remove the risks (risk controls).

Explanatory note: Different risk controls may be necessary for particular groups of children depending on the nature of the risk and the diversity characteristics of children affected by the risk.

4. As part of its risk management strategy and practices, Broadmeadows Valley Primary School will monitor and evaluate the effectiveness of the implementation of its risk controls.
5. On an annual basis, Broadmeadows Valley Primary school will ensure that appropriate guidance and training is provided to the individual members of the *school* and *school staff* about:
 - a. individual and collective obligations and responsibilities for managing the risk of *child abuse* ;
 - b. *child abuse* risks in the school environment; and
 - c. the school's current *child safety* standards.

Evaluation:

This policy will be reviewed every three years and following significant incidents if they occur. We will ensure that families and children have the opportunity to contribute. Where possible we do our best to work with local Aboriginal communities, culturally and/or linguistically diverse communities and people with a disability.

The policy will be next reviewed 2019

This policy was adopted at the School Council meeting held at Broadmeadows Valley Primary School on

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Ratified on (Date)

School Council President – Raymond Drew