Sport Policy

Rationale

Sport in our society has an important social role. It helps to maintain the general level of fitness and health. It is a major source of entertainment and use of our leisure time.

Sport is a vehicle for teaching desirable values such as consideration for others and fair play.

Positive attitudes, self-esteem, leadership and good sportsmanship are traits fostered through sport.

Implementation

1. A program of intra and inter school sport will be provided.

2. Physical and sport education is mandated for these times, for all students:
   - Foundation-Gr.3 : 20-30 minutes daily.
   - Gr.4-Gr.6 : 3 hours/week, with a minimum of 50% of that time P.E.

3. Supervising teachers are First Aid Trained.

4. Teachers have recommended qualifications and experience for sport education and supervising and teaching specialist areas, such as high jump and gymnastics.

5. Students with special abilities will be encouraged and facilitated to compete at a higher level, for example District Trials.

6. Equipment items are safe, regularly inspected, repaired and maintained. Records of such are kept.

7. Standard precautions and safety measures will be taken to minimise any potential risk to students.

8. Swimming instruction will be made available each year.

9. The After School Basketball Competition will be actively fostered.

10. Teams will be entered in Mc Donald’s Hooptimes, AFL 9's etc if suitable.

11. Parents and Student Mentors will be encouraged to help with sport programs.
12. Students and parents will be advised as to the benefits of mouthguards in contact sports.

13. Support staff and students to use a combination of sun protection measures when UV index levels are 3 or higher (Sept.-April>3) and allow sun exposure when UV levels are below 3 (May-August av. UV <3). Students will help monitor UV alerts and report daily sun protection times each day. Participate in SunSmart Programs.

**Responsibility**

Principal, Co-ordinator.

*Ratified at School Council :*

*Due for Review :* First School Council Meeting after the AGM each year.