Child Safe Standards Risk Register

WAYI SCHOOL

School name:	**Wayi School**		**Responsible staff member:**	**Leanne Sinnadurai**
Date endorsed:	**July 2022**		**Endorsed by:**	**Leanne Sinnadurai (Principal)**
Next review date:	**Term 1 2023, post-operational commencement**		**File location:**	

RISK TITLE AND DESCRIPTION	RISK ASSESSMENT		EXISTING CONTROLS	CONTROLS ASSESSMENT	NEW TREATMENTS AND WHO IS RESPONSIBLE?	BY WHEN?
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Child Safe Standard 1 – Aboriginal cultural safety						
Risk Title: Culturally safe environments **Description:** There is a risk that the school fails to establish a culturally safe environment in which the diverse and unique identities and experiences of Aboriginal children and students are respected and valued **Risk type:** Situational, Organisational	• Racism, discrimination and bullying not adequately managed and addressed • Ignorance/lack of awareness • Curriculum that doesn't include Aboriginal Australians • An unwelcoming environment for Aboriginal students • Policy development and review is not consultative	• Aboriginal students are less likely to trust school staff which may result in them being less likely to report abuse by adults or peers, and make them more vulnerable to harm • Aboriginal students do not feel welcome, safe, respected or valued for their diverse and unique identifies which may result in them being less likely to report abuse by adults or peers and make them more vulnerable to harm • Physical and psychological harm as a result of child abuse	• Our Child Safety and Wellbeing Policy outlines the controls in place to establish a culturally safe environment and is implemented • Our Action Plan for Aboriginal Learning, Wellbeing and Safety outlines the measures we have in place to maintain an inclusive and culturally safe school for Aboriginal children and students • Other documents that address Aboriginal cultural safety include: - Student Wellbeing and Engagement Policy - Bullying Prevention Policy - Inclusion and Diversity Policy - Department of Education and Training's Koorie Education Policy • Controls to address racism, discrimination and bullying are outlined in the Bullying Prevention Policy and the Student Wellbeing and Engagement Policy. • Our Child Safe Standards Action List identifies actions we have taken to address Standard 1 and Ministerial Order 1359	Yes	• Staff complete the Community Understanding Safety Training (CUST) (Principal) • Ensure that actions identified in Child Safe Standards Action List have been completed (Principal)	Term 2 2023 Term 1 2023
Child Safe Standard 2 – School leadership, governance and culture						
Risk Title: Leadership, governance and culture **Description:** There is a risk that child safety and wellbeing is not embedded in the school's leadership, governance and culture **Risk type:** Organisational, Propensity	• Child safety is not prioritised • Decision-making power concentrated in one individual • Unclear accountabilities • Staff and volunteers are unaware of the school's expectations relating to their conduct and role in supporting child safety and wellbeing • Culture of secret keeping • Poor management of conflicts of interest • Lack of leadership on child safety • Poor understanding of the foreseeable risks relating to child abuse • Poor understanding of recordkeeping and information management	• Increased risk of child abuse occurring, remaining undetected and not being responded to appropriately because the school does not have a culture of child safety and reporting of child safety incidents or concerns • Increased risk of child abuse occurring, remaining undetected and not being responded to appropriately because staff and volunteer roles and responsibilities are not clear • Poor practices and understanding of information sharing obligations may result in staff or volunteers not sharing important information to reduce the risk of child abuse or conversely, sharing sensitive information inappropriately contributing to further harm. • Poor records and record-keeping practice can contribute to delays or failures to identify and respond to child safety risks	• Our Child Safety and Wellbeing Policy outlines the controls in place to ensure a child safe culture is embedded across the school and is implemented • Our Child Safety Code of Conduct is adopted and actively enforced by school leadership. Inconsistent staff, contractor or volunteer conduct is swiftly addressed • Our Child Safety and Wellbeing Policy and Code of Conduct are publicly available and promoted in the school community • This risk register is reviewed annually and after any significant child safety incident or concern • Our Volunteers Policy supports volunteers to understand their obligations on information sharing and recordkeeping • Records management obligations are met through adherence to the Records Management - School Records Policy and all staff and relevant volunteers understand their obligations on information sharing	Yes	• Nominate a Child Safety Champion to lead the school's child safety approach. Assign responsibility to the Child Safe Champion within the Leadership Team to review and update the Child Safety Risk Register annually (Principal) • Develop and display PROTECT posters and student accessible adapted pictorial versions around the school (Principal) • School Council members to complete School Council PROTECT Training (Principal) • School Leadership Team to model child safety behaviours, embed child safe culture and communicate that everyone is responsible for child safety (Principal) • Ensure that actions identified in Child Safe Standards Action List have been completed (Principal)	Term 1 2023 Term 1 2023 Term 2 2023 Term 1 2023 Term 1 2023

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	• Poor child safety messaging	and incidents and can obstruct survivors seeking information about their time at our school. It can also compromise the school's ability to monitor for systemic issues that required changes to policy, procedure or practice. • Physical and psychological harm as a result of child abuse	and record keeping through induction, training and support from leadership. • Our Child Safe Standards Action List identifies actions we have taken to address Standard 2 and Ministerial Order 1359			
Child Safe Standard 3 – Children are safe, informed and actively participate						
Risk Title: Student empowerment **Description:** There is a risk that students will not be empowered about their rights, participate in decisions affecting them or be taken seriously **Risk type:** Vulnerability	• Students don't know how to make a complaint or raise a concern or don't feel confident that they will be listened to • Students don't understand their rights • Student input in decision making is not supported or valued • Student contributions or concerns are not taken seriously • Students are not offered sexual abuse prevention education • Students are coerced or silenced by adults at the school • Lack of friendship or peer support	• Abuse is more likely to happen if students do not feel supported to participate in decisions that affect them and do not feel like they will be listened to. • Failure to empower students with information about their rights, child safety risks, and sexual abuse prevention will increase the risk of abuse going unidentified and unspoken • If students do not feel confident or empowered to raise a concern, they will be unwilling to report abuse • Lack of friendship or peer support may increase vulnerability to abuse • Lack of friendship or peer support increases the risk that the student will not feel confident to discuss concerns with their peers, making it more likely that abuse will go unidentified and unspoken • Physical and psychological harm as a result of child abuse	• Our Child Safety and Wellbeing Policy outlines the controls in place to support child and student empowerment and is implemented • Complaints Policy details how students can raise complaints and concerns and is promoted widely to parents and students • Student Wellbeing and Engagement Policy outlines the controls in place to ensure student wellbeing is supported and prioritised • Students are provided with age-appropriate sexual abuse prevention programs and relevant related information through Resilience, Rights and Respectful Relationships teaching and learning materials • Students are educated about their rights through Personal & Social Capabilities Curriculum, School Wide Positive Behaviour Support Framework, and Bully Stoppers program. • Friendship and peer support are promoted through the Personal & Social Capabilities Curriculum, School Wide Positive Behaviour Support Framework • Our school values – Voice, Choice, Independence – promote student empowerment and are embedded across our school • Our Child Safe Standards Action List identifies actions we have taken to address Standard 3 and Ministerial Order 1359	Yes	• Employ a 0.2FTE Mental Health Practitioner (Principal) • Nominate a SWPBS Coordinator (Principal) • Identify Student Representative Council members (Principal) • Use the Bully Stoppers survey tool to assess bullying in your school (Principal) • Ensure that actions identified in Child Safe Standards Action List have been completed (Principal)	Term 1 2023 Term 1 2023 Term 2 2023 Term 3 2023 Term 1 2023
Child Safe Standard 4 – Family engagement						
Risk Title: Families and community involvement **Description:** There is a risk that families and communities are not informed, and involved in promoting child safety and wellbeing **Risk type:** Organisational	• Unwelcoming staff • Lack of appreciation of the value of community consultation and engagement • The school does not offer information to families and communities or avenues to contribute to policies and decisions relating to child safety and wellbeing • Lack of staff training, culture or willingness to engage families and communities	• Child safety and wellbeing practices without input from families may result in practices that do not cover all the diverse needs of students, resulting in a risk that students do not feel safe or able to actively participate in school life (see Child Safe Standard 1 and 3) • Families and communities not engaged in child safety at the school are less likely to be able to support the school to reduce risk by keeping an eye out for unsafe behaviours and raising concerns. • Families cannot help students identify abuse • Families do not support students who want to make a complaint	• Our Child Safety and Wellbeing Policy outlines the controls in place to engage families and is implemented • All child safety and wellbeing policies and procedures are publicly available and promoted in the school community • Our Child Safe Standards Action List identifies actions we have taken to address Standard 4 and Ministerial Order 1359	Yes	• Nominate a contact person for new enrolments and provide their details in induction materials or school transition packs. (Principal) • Provide new enrolments with family welcome packs that include information about child safety, the school's complaints processes and how to raise concerns. (Principal) • Invite families and the school community to have a say in the future development and review of child safety and wellbeing policies, procedures and practices through our school website and newsletters (Principal)	Term 4 2022 Term 4 2022 Term 1 2023

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		• If families lack awareness about child safety including risks of child abuse, children may be more vulnerable to being groomed by perpetrators seeking to obtain their trust. • Physical and psychological harm as a result of child abuse			• Ensure that actions identified in Child Safe Standards Action List have been completed (Principal)	Term 1 2023
Child Safe Standard 5 – Equity and diverse needs						

Risk Title: Diversity and equity
 	
Description: There is a risk that equity is not effectively upheld, and diverse needs are not respected in policy and practice
 	
Risk type: Vulnerability
	• Diverse cohorts have not been identified for targeted support (such as students with disability, students who identify as lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender, intersex and queer (LGBTIQ+), students in out of home care, and students who are culturally and linguistically diverse)
	• Diverse cohorts not supported adequately
	• Diverse cohorts feel unwelcome
	• Lack of staff training on diversity and supporting and responding to vulnerable students
	• Lack of respectful culture
	• Incidents of discrimination or humiliation are not effectively addressed and managed
		• Diverse cohorts who do not feel safe or who are not adequately supported for their diverse and specific needs are more at risk of abuse and harm and will be less able or willing to report concerns.
		• Experiencing discrimination can increase a child's vulnerability to abuse and harm and can also mean they are less likely to ask for help or speak up if they have a concern
		• Physical and psychological harm as a result of child abuse
			• Our Child Safety and Wellbeing Policy outlines the controls in place to support equity and diverse needs and is implemented
			• All students are supported to fully engage through individualised education plans and reasonable adjustments.
			• Student Wellbeing and Engagement Policy outlines how the school pays particular attention to the needs of students with disability, students from culturally and linguistically diverse backgrounds, students who are unable to live at home, and lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender, intersex and queer (LGBTIQ+) students
			• Child safety information, support and complaints processes are culturally safe, accessible and easy to understand
			• Documents that address diversity and equity include:
			  - Bullying Prevention Policy
			  - Inclusion and Diversity Policy
			• Implement:
			  - Resilience, Rights and Respectful Relationships and Building Respectful Relationships teaching and learning materials
			  - Respectful Relationships whole school approach
			  - Safe Schools
			• Our Child Safe Standards Action List identifies actions we have taken to address Standard 5 and Ministerial Order 1359
				Yes	• Compile a range of age-appropriate instructional materials for exploring differences and similarities in class including:
					  - Resilience Rights and Respectful Relationships resources
					  - Books and resources that reflect diverse views and perspectives
					  - speech and drama scripts that explore themes around diversity (Assistant Principal)
					• Add significant dates that connect with our school community to the school planner, such as:
					  - National Reconciliation Week
					  - International Day of Persons with Disability
					  - Celebrate Refugee Week (Principal)
					• Ensure that actions identified in Child Safe Standards Action List have been completed (Principal)
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Child Safe Standard 6 – Suitable staff and volunteers						

Risk Title: Suitable staff (including contractors engaged by the school in child-related work)
 	
Description: There is a risk that staff are not suitable to work with children or effectively supported to uphold child safety and wellbeing values in practice
 	
Risk type: Organisational, Propensity
	• Poor recruitment and pre-employment screening processes
	• Provision of false information during recruitment
	• Poor management of conflicts of interest
	• Insufficient induction on commencement of working at school
	• Inappropriate behaviour by other adults is not called out due to lack of empowerment or awareness of behaviours of concern
		• Insufficient promotion of the school's commitment to child safety during recruitment processes may fail to deter potential predators from seeking employment
		• History and behaviours of concern relating to suitability to work with children are not identified resulting in increased risk of child abuse
		• Conflicts of interests in recruiting staff may increase the risk of other staff not reporting concerns relating to staff conduct, and where concerns are reported or identified, increased risk of them not being responded
			• Our Child Safety and Wellbeing Policy outlines the controls in place:
			  - for child safe recruitment and screening practices for staff
			  - to ensure staff are provided with an appropriate induction in the school's child safety policies and practices.
			  - to ensure ongoing supervision and management of staff is focused on child safety and wellbeing
			• All actions and strategies outlined in our Child Safety and Wellbeing Policy are implemented
			• We follow DET guidelines on:
			  - Suitability for Employment Checks
			  - Recruitment in Schools
				Yes	• Communicate regularly with staff and volunteers about the Child Safety and Wellbeing Policy and Code of Conduct in supervision meetings, at staff meetings, in newsletters and staff updates (Principal)
					• Provide refresher child safe training for staff (Principal)
					• Include child safety and wellbeing as a regular agenda item for staff meetings at all levels of the organisation (Principal)
					• Include child safety and wellbeing goals in staff professional development plans (Principal)
					• During recruitment processes, include selection criteria relevant to the role, such
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	• Insufficient promotion of the school's commitment to child safety • Lack of child safety culture • Insufficient supervision • Performance management does not focus on or address concerns relating to child safety and wellbeing	to in an objective manner with the focus on child safety and wellbeing. • Insufficient induction results in the increased risk that staff fail to identify child safety risks and signs of harm and are unable to respond appropriately when they do identify risks of harm or when a complaint or concerns is disclosed to them. • Insufficient supervision and performance management results in increased risk of child abuse and harm to students • Staff do not understand their role and responsibilities in promoting and supporting child safety resulting in increased risk of harm • Physical and psychological harm as a result of child abuse	• Our Child Safe Standards Action List identifies actions we have taken to address Standard 6 and Ministerial Order 1359		as: experience working with children with a disability (Principal) • Ensure that actions identified in Child Safe Standards Action List have been completed (Principal)	Term 1 2023

Risk Title: Suitable Volunteers
 	
Description: There is a risk that volunteers are not suitable to work with children or effectively supported to uphold child safety and wellbeing values in practice
 	
Risk type: Organisational, Propensity
	• Screening processes lack sufficient strength to reveal histories and behaviours of concern
	• Systems, processes, policies and culture do not demonstrate sufficient strength and transparency to deter potential perpetrators from attempting predatory behaviours
	• Conflict of interest
	• Lack of child safety culture
	• Insufficient induction and training
	• Insufficient supervision
		• Insufficient promotion of the school's commitment to child safety may fail to deter potential predators from volunteering at the school
		• History and behaviours of concern relating to suitability to work with children are not identified resulting in increased risk of child abuse
		• Insufficient induction results in the increased risk that volunteers do not understand their role and responsibilities in promoting and supporting child safety resulting in increased risk of harm.
		• Insufficient supervision results in increased risk of child abuse and harm to students
		• Inadequate steps to address concerning behaviour may result in increased risk of harm (for example removing volunteer from duties or otherwise ensuring the volunteer does not demonstrate further behaviours of concern)
		• Physical and psychological harm as a result of child abuse
			• Volunteer Policy outlines the controls in place to ensure volunteers are suitable to work with children including screening, induction, and ongoing management and supervision
			• Volunteers who are not parents/carers of students will be asked to undertake additional screening processes including proof of identity (where this has not already been established), and references addressing suitability for working with children
			• Volunteers that are working with children or that may have access to students in unsupervised or high-risk settings will always be supervised by a member of school staff
			• Volunteer behaviour that is inconsistent with the school's Child Safety and Wellbeing Policies and practices will be addressed by school staff swiftly and with a focus on child safety and wellbeing
			• Our Child Safe Standards Action List identifies actions we have taken to address Standard 6 and Ministerial Order 1359
				Yes	• Nominate a Child Safety Champion and support them to facilitate the induction and training programs for volunteers. (Principal)
					• Provide refresher child safe training for volunteers. (Child Safety Champion)
					• Train all volunteers as appropriate to their roles, on topics such as:
					  - child safety (including family violence)
					  - mandatory reporting
					  - responding to student sexual offending
					  - human rights and the rights of children
					  - diversity and inclusion
					  - harassment and bullying
					  - cultural safety
					  - privacy and information sharing. (Principal)
					• Ensure that actions identified in Child Safe Standards Action List have been completed (Principal)
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Child Safe Standard 7 – complaints processes						
Risk Title: Complaints processes **Description:** There is a risk that processes for complaints and concerns are not child focused **Risk type:** Organisational, Vulnerability	• Students and parents/carers are uncertain about how to raise a complaint or concern because information is not accessible or easily understood • Processes do not support students, parents and carers to make complaints or raise concerns • Complaints processes or responsible staff do not make students feel safe or supported to report	• Failure to ensure there is accessible, culturally safe and easily understood information on how to raise a complaint or concern increases the risk of students, parents and carers not reporting behaviours of concern or abuse • Students may be unwilling to report behaviours of concern or abuse if they feel they will not be taken seriously or if they do not feel safe to report • Failure to have a clear process for responding to complaints and concerns about child abuse may result in inappropriate or insufficient action being	• Complaints Policy outlines the controls in place to ensure students are provided with accessible, culturally safe and easily understood information on raising a complaint or concern • Child Safety Responding and Reporting Obligations Policy and Procedures outlines the procedures for responding to complaints or concerns relating to child abuse • The Complaints Policy and Child Safety Responding and Reporting Obligations Policy and Procedures are publicly available on the school website	Yes	• Facilitate student discussions about what would help them speak up when they have concerns (Assistant Principal) • Support students to develop the skills to make complaints and raise concerns by using teaching and learning materials like the Resilience Rights and Respectful Relationships materials (Assistant Principal) • Train staff and volunteers to recognise the different ways students' express concerns or distress, such as changing their behaviours or demeanour (Assistant Principal)	Term 2 2023 Term 2 2023 Term 2 2023

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	• Student input in decision making is not valued • Student, parent and carer concerns/complaints are not taken seriously • Inadequate response to complaints or concerns relating to child abuse	taken resulting in continued or further harm to the child and other children • Physical and psychological harm as a result of child abuse	• The Complaints Policy and Child Safety Responding and Reporting Obligations Policy and Procedures are implemented by all relevant staff • Our Child Safety and Wellbeing Policy sets out all recordkeeping, privacy and information sharing obligations that must be met when responding to complaints and concerns. • All complaints and concerns are managed in accordance with employment law obligations and our school seeks advice from Employee Conduct Branch and Legal Division when dealing with complaints and concerns relating to child abuse by a member/former member of staff or school council employee or contractor • Our Child Safe Standards Action List identifies actions we have taken to address Standard 7 and Ministerial Order 1359		• Encourage staff to maintain an approachable, professional standard to help students feel confident and supported to raise issues at any time (Principal) • Empower all staff and volunteers to act on concerns about behaviour and report their concerns, complaints or breaches of the Child Safety Code of Conduct to School Leadership or the Regional Office (Principal) • Ensure that actions identified in Child Safe Standards Action List have been completed (Principal)	Term 2 2023 Term 1 2023 Term 1 2023
Child Safe Standard 8 – Child safety knowledge, skills and awareness						
Risk Title: Knowledge, skills and awareness **Description:** There is a risk that staff and volunteers are not equipped with the knowledge, skills and awareness to keep children and students safe through ongoing education and training **Risk type:** Organisational	• Child safety and wellbeing training not provided to staff and school council annually • Child safety and wellbeing training is not refreshed or updated where policy, practice or law has changed • Volunteers are not required to undertake child safety training that is appropriate to the nature of their role • Training does not cover all necessary topics • Training is poorly facilitated Also refer to Child Safe Standard 6 risks above	• Inability to identify child safety risks including inappropriate behaviour and signs of harm resulting in increased risk of failing to protect children from child abuse, and underreporting of child safety incidents to relevant staff and authorities • Insufficient understanding about the school's child safety and wellbeing policies, practices, and obligations results in increased risk that they will not be appropriately implemented by staff and volunteers and an increased risk to students of child abuse occurring and of continuing to occur undetected. • Physical and psychological harm as a result of child abuse	• Our Child Safety and Wellbeing Policy outlines the controls in place to ensure school council and school staff receive appropriate annual guidance and training on child safety and is implemented • Our Volunteers policy provides information on training for volunteers • Volunteers that are engaged are provided with child safety training that is appropriate to the activity and the volunteer's role • Induction processes for new staff, volunteers and new school council members on child safety, appropriate to the person's role that covers: - the Child Safety and Wellbeing Policy - the Child Safety Code of Conduct - the Child Safety Responding and Reporting Obligations policy and procedures - how to facilitate child-friendly ways for students to express their views, participate in decision making and raise concerns - accessibility strategies for students with a disability. • Our Child Safe Standards Action List identifies actions we have taken to address Standard 8 and Ministerial Order 1359	Yes	• Nominate a Child Safety Champion and support them to facilitate the induction and training programs for staff and volunteers. (Principal) • Deliver regular child safety briefings for all staff, through staff meetings and newsletters. (Principal) • Require all staff to refresh their Protecting Children – Reporting and Other Legal Obligations (Mandatory Reporting) training at least once a year. (Principal) • Identify staff to attend information sharing and family violence reforms training, eLearning modules. (Principal) • Remind staff regularly that they need to be alert for signs of harm and risk factors and aware of physical and online risks to child safety. (Principal) • Ensure that actions identified in Child Safe Standards Action List have been completed (Principal)	Term 1 2023 Term 1 2023 Term 1 2023 Term 2 2023 Term 1 2023 Term 1 2023
Child Safe Standard 9 – Physical and online environments						
Risk Title: School physical environment **Description**: There is a risk the school's child safety policies, procedures and practices do not adequately address and manage the risk of abuse and harm in the school's physical environment	• Areas of child safety risk in the school buildings or grounds are not identified and appropriately supervised or managed.	• There is an increased risk of child abuse occurring on school grounds or buildings if policies, procedures and practices fail to identify and manage areas of risk in the school's physical environment • Physical and psychological harm as a result of child abuse	• Yard Duty and Supervision Policy outlines supervision processes and requirements with a focus on child safety • Yard duty staff are trained to actively patrol the school grounds, paying particular attention to secluded areas that have been identified as high risk • Child safety and wellbeing policies, procedures and practices are in place to enable staff and volunteers to identify and mitigate risks in the physical school environment without compromising a child or	Yes	• Give particular attention to the safety, diverse needs and vulnerabilities of students in each activity or setting. Consider communication barriers that might prevent students from raising concerns (Assistant Principal) • Provide training and refresher training to staff and relevant volunteers on risk management policies and procedures (Principal)	Term 1 2023 Term 1 2023

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Risk type: Situational			student's right to privacy, access to information, social connections and learning opportunities, including our Child Safety and Wellbeing Policy and Child Safety Code of Conduct • Community use of school facilities (e.g., the community hub) is limited to outside of school operational hours. Arrangements for outside school hours access to the school's community hub and grounds will be managed by the Principal and approved by the School Council • separate outside play times are organised for Junior Learning Neighbourhood students and Senior Learning Neighbourhood students • garden sheds and store cupboards are locked unless in use, with controlled access to keys • school grounds are well lit for after school activities • students are required to be supervised by a staff member as they transition to the bathroom • Our Child Safe Standards Action List identifies actions we have taken to address Standard 9 and Ministerial Order 1359		• Inform students about spaces that are off limits, including out-of-bounds areas, storerooms and staff rooms (Assistant Principal) • Keep records of any court orders in place regarding access or intervention orders and communicate to staff who can collect students in these circumstances via Compass (Principal) • Keep records of incidents that occur, including accidents and medical events (Principal) • Ensure aided communication systems are accessible to students throughout the school (Assistant Principal) • Ensure that actions identified in Child Safe Standards Action List have been completed (Principal)	Term 1 2023

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| **Risk Title:** Online environment

Description: There is a risk the school's child safety policies, procedures and practices do not adequately address and manage the risk of abuse and harm in the school's online environment

Risk type: Situational | • Child safety risks in the school's online environment are not identified and appropriately managed. • Students are not provided with education about online risks and appropriate online behaviours. • Online safety measures fail to adapt to emerging technologies and child safety risks | • There is an increased risk of child abuse occurring if policies, procedures and practices fail to identify and manage areas of risk in the school's online environment – particularly risks relating to grooming and further risk of abuse if the grooming goes undetected. • Physical and psychological harm as a result of child abuse | • Digital Learning Policy outlines the controls in place for online conduct and online safety and is implemented • Acceptable Use Agreements are in place and enforced • Child safety and wellbeing policies, procedures and practices are in place to enable staff and volunteers to identify and mitigate risks in the online school environment without compromising a child or student's right to privacy, access to information, social connections and learning opportunities, including our Child Safety and Wellbeing Policy and Child Safety Code of Conduct • Staff undertake a privacy impact assessment for apps and other platforms in use by the school which includes the risk of access to children or personal information by people external to the school. • Yard Duty and Supervision Policy outlines the supervision controls in place for virtual classrooms • Facilitate age-appropriate ways to use the internet and social media for students utilising Resilience, Rights and Respectful Relationships, School-wide Positive Behaviour Support Framework, Safe Schools and also Office of the e-Safety Commissioner • Our Child Safe Standards Action List identifies actions we have taken to address Standard 9 and Ministerial Order 1359 | Yes | • Inform students and their families about appropriate use of the school's technology and how to seek help and report concerns including cyberbullying and online grooming (Assistant Principal) • Keep up to date with current online safety issues and expert information from specialist government and non-government bodies including the Office of the e-Safety Commissioner, and eSmart Schools (Assistant Principal) • Promote activities in the school community that connect schools and communities and raise awareness to prevent bullying and violence (e.g. National Day of Action against Bullying and Violence) (Principal) • Ensure that actions identified in Child Safe Standards Action List have been completed (Principal) | Term 2 2023

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| **Risk Title:** Off-site school activities and use of third-party providers

Description: | • School staff fail to identify and manage risks of child abuse occurring during off-site school activities • School staff fail to identify and manage risks of child abuse by | • There is an increased risk of child abuse occurring if policies, procedures and practices fail to identify and manage areas of risk for off-site school activities and school activities that involve third party providers. | • Our school complies with relevant policies with respect to the following activities, including policy relating to child safety and wellbeing: - Camps and Excursions   - NDIS Funded Therapy in Schools   - Work Experience | Yes | • Require vendors to provide evidence of compliance with the Child Safe Standards when establishing contracts to deliver services to students (Principal) | Term 1 2023 |

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There is a risk that the school's child safety policies, procedures and practices do not adequately address and manage the risk of abuse at school activities off-site and/or school activities involving third party providers.
 	
Risk type: Situational, Organisational, Propensity, Vulnerability
	third-party providers engaged by the school	• Physical and psychological harm as a result of child abuse	- [Procurement](#)
			- [Structured Workplace Learning](#)
			- [School Based Apprenticeships and Traineeships](#)
			- [School Community Work](#)
			- [Purchasing Secondary Courses and Vocational Training from External Providers](#)
			• Our Yard Duty and Supervision Policy documents workplace learning controls and is implemented, including:
			  ○ assessment of student's ability and skills undertaken in consultation with the Student Support Group to identify an appropriate placement and risk mitigation strategies
			  ○ nominated staff contact the student daily, as prescribed in the documented learning plan
			  ○ organising staff follow all applicable Department policies and guidelines in relation to off-site learning, including policy and guidelines on the safety and wellbeing of students.
			• For off-site school activities and school activities engaging a third-party provider, we identify and assess the risks of child abuse that are specific to that activity and ensure appropriate controls are in place. This includes activities such as: school swimming program and off-site work-based programs.
			• Our Child Safe Standards Action List identifies actions we have taken to address Standard 9 and Ministerial Order 1359
					• Provide contractors with a copy of the Child Safety Code of Conduct and Child Safety and Wellbeing Policy (Principal)
					• Nominate a staff member who is responsible for collecting child safety compliance information about third party providers (Principal)
					• Keep records of due diligence processes (Principal)
					• Ensure that actions identified in Child Safe Standards Action List have been completed (Principal)
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Child Safe Standard 10 – Review of child safety practices						
Risk Title: Review and improvement **Description:** There is a risk that the implementation of the Child Safe Standards is not regularly reviewed and improved **Risk type:** Organisational	• Failure to regularly review child safety policies, procedures and practices (every 2 years) or following any significant child safety incident • Failure to use analysis of complaints, concerns and safety incidents to inform possible improvements to child safety policies, procedures and practices • Failure to inform families and communities of the outcome of reviews of child safety policies, procedures and practices	• Child safety policy, procedures and practices may become out of date with any new laws or guidance on good practice, compromising the school's ability to protect students from child abuse and to respond appropriately to complaints and concerns. • Child safety policy, procedures and practices may no longer meet the needs of the local school community compromising the school's ability to protect students from child abuse and to respond appropriately to complaints and concerns. • Child safety policy, procedures and practices are not improved as a result of analysis of past complaints, concerns and safety incidents, reducing the school's ability to protect students from child abuse and to respond appropriately to complaints and concerns. • Physical and psychological harm as a result of child abuse	• A register of the school's policies relating to the child safe standards, including approvers and review cycles is used to support staff to maintain and update our policies • We determine the causes of child safety incidents and monitor for repeat issues or systemic failures, updating any child safety policy, procedure or practice where gaps or improvements are identified • We have a log of complaints and concerns to allow us to monitor areas for improvement in our child safety policies, procedures and practices. • We inform families through our school's newsletter when child safety and wellbeing policies are being reviewed and ensure they are invited to provide feedback • Our Child Safe Standards Action List identifies actions we have taken to address Standard 10 and Ministerial Order 1359	Yes	• Establish a working group (led by the Child Safety Champion) to review child safety policies and procedures • Identify ways to involve staff, volunteers, students, families and community members in review processes (Principal) • Review complaints received and incidents reported for gaps, weaknesses or failures in policies (Principal) • Use surveys, focus groups and discussions to review the accessibility and level of awareness of child-safe policies and procedures by students, families, staff and volunteers (Principal) • Ensure that actions identified in Child Safe Standards Action List have been completed (Principal)	Term 1 2023 Term 3 2023 Term 3 2023 Term 3 2023 Term 1 2023

RISK TITLE AND DESCRIPTION	RISK ASSESSMENT		EXISTING CONTROLS	CONTROLS ASSESSMENT	NEW TREATMENTS AND WHO IS RESPONSIBLE?	BY WHEN?
Provide a risk title and short description.	*Describe the causes of the child safety risk.*	*Describe the **consequences** for children if the child safety risk happens*	*Describe the existing **child safety and wellbeing controls** you have in place to mitigate the child safety risk*	*Taken together, are the controls adequate to reduce the risk and harms to a tolerable level?*	*If controls need to be strengthened, describe any new controls you will implement to mitigate the child safety risk and who is responsible for the new treatments?*	*When will this be done?*
Child Safe Standard 11 – Implementation of child safety practices						
Risk Title: Policies and procedures **Description:** There is a risk that policies and procedures do not effectively document how the organisation is safe for children and students and are not effectively implemented by staff and volunteers. **Risk type:** Organisational	• The policies and procedures do not address all actions and measures required under the Child Safe Standards • The policies and procedures are not informed by best practice models and family and community engagement • Staff and relevant volunteers are not provided with an adequate induction or ongoing training and are not properly supported to implement the policies and procedures due to lack of modelling and support from leaders • Policies and procedures are difficult to understand	• If child safety policy and procedures fail to address all aspects of the Child Safe Standards it will result in gaps in protection of children and increased risk relating to child abuse • If child safety policies and procedures are not effectively documented or are difficult to understand it may result in staff (particularly new staff) being unaware of their child safety obligations, roles and responsibilities increasing the risk of child abuse • If child safety policies and procedures are not informed by best practice or family and community engagement it may result in compromised ability to protect children from child abuse. • Failure to induct, train and support staff and relevant volunteers on implementation of child safety policies and procedures increases the risk of child abuse • Physical and psychological harm as a result of child abuse	• Our suite of child safety and wellbeing policies and procedures address all aspects of the Child Safe Standards • Our staff and relevant volunteers are inducted and trained on our child safety and wellbeing policies, procedures and practices and are supported to implement them • Our school leaders champion and model our child safety policies, procedures and practices and address any performance concerns relating to staff conduct or implementation • Our Child Safety Champion regularly reviews PROTECT guidance and other relevant policies to ensure our own local child safety policies, procedures and practices are informed by best practice and updated where required. • Our Child Safe Standards Action List identifies actions we have taken to address Standard 11 and Ministerial Order 1359	Yes	• Nominate a Child Safety Champion and support them to facilitate the induction and training programs for staff and volunteer. (Principal) • Publish child safety policies on the school website (Principal) • Integrate child safety into induction processes, ongoing education, training and supervision for all staff and volunteers (Assistant Principal) • Provide copies of child safety policies in welcome packs and transition resources (Principal) • Use visual representations to accompany discussions with students and their families, as needed to aid understanding (Assistant Principal) • Display easy-to-read posters in various locations around the school (Assistant Principal) • Allocate regular time for a child safety agenda item for all-staff or faculty meetings (Principal) • Schedule child safety briefings at information evenings and orientation days. (Principal) • Include a regular child safety item in newsletters to families (Principal) • Seek feedback from students, families, staff and volunteers on whether the policies and procedures are easy to understand. Make any relevant improvements (Principal) • Ensure that actions identified in Child Safe Standards Action List have been completed (Principal)	Term 1 2023 Term 1 2023 Term 1 2023 Term 1 2023 Term 2 2023 Term 2 2023 Term 1 2023 Term 1 2023 Term 1 2023 Term 3 2023 Term 1 2023