Child Safe Standards Risk Register

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Next review date:	August 2023	File location:	

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Child Safe Standard	1 - Aboriginal cultural safe	ty				
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	 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 Other documents that address Aboriginal cultura safety and include these here, such as your: Action Plan Student Wellbeing and Engagement Policy Bullying Prevention Policy Inclusion and Diversity Policy Controls to address racism, discrimination and bullying are outlined in the Bullying Prevention Policy and the Student Wellbeing and Engagement Policy. All important events will begin with an Acknowledgement of Country. 		Ensure staff have completed CUST Training (Principal is responsible) Display the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander flags together with the Australian flag at the front entry (office) to the school. (Principal is responsible)	August 2022
Child Safe Standard 2	2 - School leadership, govern					
Risk Title: Leadership, governance and culture Description:	 Child safety is not prioritised Decision-making power concentrated in one individual Unclear accountabilities Staff and volunteers are unaware of the school's expectations 	 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 	 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 	yes Yes	 Update volunteer and staff induction processes to ensure they are updated to include changes to the Child Safety Standards and the latest version of our school policies. (Principal is responsible) 	September 2022
	relating to their conduct and role		conduct is swiftly addressed.			



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There is a risk that child safety and wellbeing is not embedded in the school's leadership, governance and culture Risk type: Organisational, Propensity	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 • Poor child safety messaging	 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 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 	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 PROTECT posters and the Four Critical Actions are displayed around the school 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 and record keeping through induction, training and support from leadership.			
Child Safe Standard	3 - Children are safe, informe	d and actively participate				
Risk Title: Student empowerment	Students don't know how to make a complaint or raise a concern or don't feel confident that they	do not feel supported to participate in decisions that affect them and do not feel		Yes		September2022
Description: There is a	will be listened to	like they will be listened to.	Complaints Policy details how students can raise			
risk that students will not be empowered about	• Students don't understand their rights	Failure to empower students with information about their rights, child	complaints and concerns and is promoted widely to parents and students			
their rights, participate	• Student input in decision making	safety risks, and sexual abuse prevention	• Student Wellbeing and Engagement Policy outlines			
in decisions affecting	is not supported or valued	will increase the risk of abuse going	the controls in place to ensure student wellbeing is			
them or be taken	• Student contributions or	unidentified and unspoken	supported and prioritised			
seriously	concerns are not taken seriously	• If students do not feel confident or	• Students are provided with age-appropriate sexual			
,	• Students are not offered sexual	empowered to raise a concern, they will be	abuse prevention programs and relevant related			
Risk type:	abuse prevention education	unwilling to report abuse	information through Resilience, Rights and			
Vulnerability		Lack of friendship or peer support may	Respectful Relationships teaching and learning			
	by adults at the school	increase vulnerability to abuse	<u>materials</u>			



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	 Lack of friendship or peer 	• Lack of friendship or peer support	• Students are educated about their rights through			
	support	increases the risk that the student will	Respectful Relationships and School Values Matrix			
		not feel confident to discuss concerns	• Friendship and peer support are promoted through			
		with their peers, making it more likely that	our regular classroom programs and whole school			
		abuse will go unidentified and unspoken	timetables.			
		Physical and psychological harm as a result				
		of child abuse				
Child Safe Standard	4 – Family engagement					
Risk Title: Families and	Unwelcoming staff	Child safety and wellbeing practices	• Our Child Safety and Wellbeing Policy outlines the	Yes		September
community involvement	• Lack of appreciation of the value	without input from families may result in	controls in place to engage families and is			2022
	of community consultation and	practices that do not cover all the diverse	implemented			
Description : There is a	engagement	needs of students, resulting in a risk that	All child safety and wellbeing policies and			
risk that families and	The school does not offer	students do not feel safe or able to	procedures are publicly available and promoted in			
communities are not	information to families and	actively participate in school life (see	the school community			
informed, and involved in	communities or avenues to	Child Safe Standard 1 and 3)	• Families and the school community are invited to			
promoting child safety	contribute to policies and	• Families and communities not engaged in	have a say in the development and review of child			
and wellbeing	decisions relating to child safety	child safety at the school are less likely to	safety and wellbeing policies, procedures and			
	and wellbeing	be able to support the school to reduce	practices through our school website and			
Risk type:	• Lack of staff training, culture or	risk by keeping an eye out for unsafe	newsletters			
Organisational	willingness to engage families and	behaviours and raising concerns.				
	communities	• Families cannot help students identify				
		abuse				
		• Families do not support students who want				
		to make a complaint				
		• 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.				
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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, international students 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 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, international students, 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 Bullying Prevention Policy Inclusion and Diversity Policy Implement: Resilience, Rights and Respectful Relationships teaching and learning materials Respectful Relationships whole school approach 	Yes		December 2022
Child Safe Standard	6 – Suitable staff and voluntee	ers				
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		 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 	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	Yes	Update the volunteer and staff induction processes to ensure they include the most current information about the Child Safety Standards and the latest version of school policies.	1



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Risk type: Organisational, Propensity	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	being responded 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				
Risk Title: Suitable Volunteers	Screening processes lack sufficient strength to reveal histories and behaviours of	of child abuse Insufficient promotion of the school's commitment to child safety may fail to deter potential predators from	 Volunteer Policy outlines the controls in place to ensure volunteers are suitable to work with children including screening, induction, and ongoing 	Yes		November 2022
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	concern • Systems, processes, policies and culture do not demonstrate sufficient strength and	volunteering at the school	 Volunteers engaged to accompany students on excursions and camps and work in the classrooms on a regular basis, 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. 			

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Child Cafe Ctondard	7	volunteer does not demonstrate further behaviours of concern) • Physical and psychological harm as a result of child abuse				
Risk Title: Complaints	7 – complaints processes	• Failure to ensure there is accessible,	Complaints Policy outlines the controls in place to	Yes	T	November 2022
processes Description: There is a risk that processes for complaints and concerns are not child focused Risk type: Organisational, Vulnerability	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 • 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	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 taken resulting in continued or further harm to the child and other children • Physical and psychological harm as a result of child abuse	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 • 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			
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Risk Title: Knowledge, skills and awareness	Child safety and wellbeing training not provided to staff and school council annually	 Inability to identify child safety risks including inappropriate behaviour and signs of harm resulting in increased risk of 	Our Child Safety and Wellbeing Policy outlines the controls in place to ensure school council and school staff receive appropriate annual guidance	Yes		November 2022
Description : There is a	Child safety and wellbeing	failing to protect children from child	and training on child safety and is implemented			
risk that staff and volunteers are not	training is not refreshed or	abuse, and underreporting of child safety incidents to relevant staff and authorities	 Our Volunteers Policy provides information on training for volunteers. 			



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	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	 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 	Volunteers that are engaged to regularly work with students in the classrooms and accompany students on excursions and camps, are provided with child safety training that is appropriate to the activity and the volunteer's role.			
	9 – Physical and online enviro	nments				
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 Risk type: Situational	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 including the front of the school, the driveway inside the school and the area near the stadium. 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 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 students advised that the stadium inside and the area behind the stadium and old staffroom is out of bounds as the area cannot be supervised garden sheds and store cupboards are locked unless in use, with controlled access to keys school grounds are well lit for after school activities 			September 2022



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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	1 '' '	 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. 		Review our Acceptable Use Agreements and ensure new families are familiar with this document.	November 2022
Risk Title: Off-site school activities and use of third-party providers Description: 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:	manage risks of child abuse occurring during off-site school activities • School staff fail to identify and manage risks of child abuse by third-party providers engaged by the school	 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. Physical and psychological harm as a result of child abuse 	Our school complies with relevant policies with respect to the following activities, including policy relating to child safety and wellbeing: Excursions Work Experience Procurement Private Vehicle Use 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 sporting events, camps and excursions.			November 2022

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Situational, Organisational, Propensity, Vulnerability Child Safe Standard	10 – Review of child safety pro	actions		lever:		
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	 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 			December 2022
	11 - Implementation of child s					
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	 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 	 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, 	 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 Principal models our child safety policies, procedures and practices and address any 	Yes		December 2022



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effectively implemented	adequate induction or ongoing	roles and responsibilities increasing the	performance concerns relating to staff conduct or			
by staff and volunteers.	training and are not properly	risk of child abuse	implementation			
	supported to implement the	• If child safety policies and procedures are	Our Principal regularly reviews <u>PROTECT guidance</u>			
Risk type:	policies and procedures due to	not informed by best practice or family	and other relevant policies to ensure our own local			
Organisational	lack of modelling and support	and community engagement it may result in	child safety policies, procedures and practices are			
	from leaders	compromised ability to protect children	informed by best practice and updated where			
	 Policies and procedures are 	from child abuse.	required.			
	difficult to understand	• 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				