



## Child Safe Standard Seven: Strategies to Promote Child Participation and Empowerment

### Rationale

Rosanna Golf Links Primary School encourages students to be involved in many aspects of the school community. This is designed to promote opportunities and capabilities that facilitate and foster student contributions.

### Purpose

Rosanna Golf Links Primary School believes that this approach to developing broad, active student engagement and feedback which is complementary to and beyond that offered through the school's significant student leadership opportunities. In addition, the Respectful Relationships program promotes and models respect and equality – and to teach our children how to build healthy relationships, resilience and confidence. We aim to provide students with the knowledge of appropriate behaviours, and the skills and forums to speak out against unsafe behaviours.

### Actions

Rosanna Golf Links Primary School implements this standard by:

- Through Respectful Relationships and class meetings, discuss help-seeking strategies, including identifying adults students have a positive relationship with and feel comfortable talking to/disclosing information
- Providing appropriate age related artefacts to support the implementation of the Respectful Relationships program
- Fostering strong relationships between students and staff so that students can raise concerns
- Providing Circle Time and class and one-on-one time to encourage all students to participate and express their feelings
- Aspiring to develop in our children the following values: Honesty, Curiosity, Confidence, Respect and Responsibility. These values provide a framework for the development of self-esteem, resilience, leadership, positive role modelling and a sense of community
- Aim to provide leadership opportunities to a wide variety of our students of all ages, abilities, social and cultural backgrounds
- Acknowledge, value and take seriously the views that are put forward by children
- Feedback to children following any raising of issues or concerns.

By successfully implementing this standard Rosanna Golf Links Primary School will be a school in which:

- Children feel that they have ample opportunity to participate in the life of the school community
- Children feel that they have a voice that is heard both in their classroom and within the school
- Children feel comfortable that they are able to talk to staff about any issues or concerns that they have.

### Review

This policy will be reviewed every two years and following significant incidents if they occur.