

ARMADALE PRIMARY SCHOOL POLICY

SCHOOL No. 2634

Parental Access and Involvement Policy

Authorisation: This Policy was adopted by School Council on the "8th November 2004".

Review Date: It is recommended that this policy is reviewed by the Policy & Curriculum Sub Committee before "November 2007".

1. PURPOSE

This policy outlines how parents/guardians access and involvement is to be provided.

2. OBJECTIVES

Promoting parents/guardians involvement in all components of school program delivery and the management of the school.

Fostering a spirit of co-operation between the parents/guardians of the children attending the school, staff and the School Council.

Complying with all legislative requirements.

3. IMPLEMENTATION

The Principal and staff will:

Provide access for parents/guardians to the school when appropriate.

Encourage and support parents/guardians participation and involvement at all levels, be it active involvement on the School Council, PFA, support at working bees, fundraising activities or involvement in the children's educational program.

Encourage communication between parents/guardians, the staff and the School Council.

Review the curriculum provided, taking into account feedback from parents/guardians in the development of future educational program models.

Provide parents/guardians with information about how the educational program at the school is developed and the philosophy on which it is based.

Offer a variety of opportunities for parents/guardians to participate directly in the children's educational program such as preparation of food and drink, assisting with activities, excursions and special events and volunteering special skills to share with the children.

Encourage parents/guardians to contribute their suggestions regarding any aspect of the educational program through discussion with the staff and/or the School Council.

Provide the parents/guardians with opportunities for communication about their child either informally or by appointment.

Provide information regarding the educational program through bulletin boards, regular newsletters, reports and information sessions.

4. EVALUATION

In order to assess whether the policy has achieved the objectives set out in section 2, the Policy and Curriculum Sub Committee will conduct an annual evaluation of Parental Access and Involvement and report its findings back to School Council.