

# **First Aid Policy**

### **Identity Statement**

To provide a school community that draws on the traditions of the Brigidine Order, that celebrates life, reaches out to others and actively cares for our world.

### Vision Statements

### St Patrick's Primary School strives to:

- Guide and support students on their faith journey through experiences of the Catholic tradition, building a strong sense of belonging, responsibility and wonder within our school, church and global communities.
- Develop an environment that builds on student resilience, self respect, confidence and empathy in partnership with families.
- Foster a learning environment that provides a holistic education that nurtures all learners in order for them to realise their full potential.
- Model and foster a safe and supportive environment for students and their families within the school community.
- Provide learning and teaching experiences that promote decision making.
- Conserve God's creation and recognise the traditional owners of the land.

#### **Graduate Outcomes**

We endeavour to create graduates who will:

- Have a dynamic faith
- Be committed to social justice
- Be environmentally aware
- Develop and sustain loving relationships
- Be life-long learners
- Realise their potential
- Be creative problem-solvers
- Be resilient, confident and independent
- Be respectful
- Have courage and integrity
- Be self-aware
- Enjoy their experiences

### **Basic beliefs**

At St. Patrick's we believe we are responsible for providing first aid facilities and sufficient staff trained to an appropriate level of competency in first aid.

First aid is defined as emergency treatment and life support provided to staff, students and visitors who suffer injury or illness whilst at St Patrick's School.

In the case of serious injury or illness, staff are not required to diagnose or treat the condition apart from carrying out the appropriate first aid procedures. Diagnosis and treatment are the responsibility of ambulance officers and/or medical practitioners.

Adequate training and resources are to be provided to effectively deliver first aid in the event of sudden illness or injury to staff and other persons at the workplace.

### School Commitment

The Principal will ensure:

- The first aid service complies with legislative requirements
- All staff are aware of the first aid procedures and location of resources
- Appropriate first aid kits, supplies and equipment are provided and maintained
- Appropriate arrangements will be made for the transportation of injured people
- Appropriate recording systems are established to record treatment provided, and are used to guide the development of strategies to prevent injury and illness at St Patrick's School

### Staff commitment

Staff are responsible for cooperating with the giving and receiving of first aid, as needed.

In the event of an injury or illness requiring more than First Aid, the patient will be transported to the nearest hospital as soon as possible by ambulance.

Level 2 First aid staff will:



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- Provide treatment to injured or ill staff, students and or visitors, but only to the limit to which he/she has received recognised training
- Supervise and maintain First Aid supplies
- Monitor patients according to their condition

School Board Chair Signature:

- Record all first aid treatment on Nforma, whilst respecting confidentiality. If a child presents to first aid and it is a serious knock to the head or a wound, Nforma be filled in , the report will be printed out and sent home as well as a phone call to the parents.
- Report any considered hazard to workplace OHS representatives
- Staff are rostered onto a first aid duty whereby they record children who present to this area and provide necessary treatment

### First Aid cabinets / Kits

First aid cabinets will be provided, be easily recognisable and not be locked. All staff must be aware of their location in case of an emergency, though first aid officers will normally access them. All medications (anaphylaxis medication, asthma, or antihistamine) to have use by dates checked annually.

Principal Signature: \_\_\_\_\_