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## PARENT AND STUDENT CODE OF CONDUCT

This Code of Conduct provides guidance on general conduct which is expected and that which is prohibited. It is not an exhaustive list of what constitutes misconduct. Students will be held accountable for their misconduct and any misconduct may be subject to disciplinary action by the school, as stated in the Perth Montessori Behaviour Management Policy.

### BOARD APPROVAL

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**Signed by Board Chair:**

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**Name of Board Chair:** Anastasia Isakova

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# 1. OVERARCHING PRINCIPLES

## 1.1. Students have a right to:

- 1.1.1. feel safe within the school,
- 1.1.2. learn in a challenging environment to the best of their ability,
- 1.1.3. be treated with respect by other students and teachers,
- 1.1.4. be listened to.

## 1.2. Students have a responsibility to:

- 1.2.1. accept and comply with school policies regarding positive behaviour,
- 1.2.2. act and work co-operatively with other students and teachers,
- 1.2.3. respect the learning needs of all students,
- 1.2.4. take progressive responsibility for their own learning, to work consistently and complete tasks as required,
- 1.2.5. be tolerant of differences such as race, culture and ability,
- 1.2.6. be punctual and regular in attendance,
- 1.2.7. discuss with parents their educational progress and to ensure that all school communication is effectively delivered.

## 1.3. Parents/guardians have a right to:

- 1.3.1. expect that their children can interact and learn in a safe, positive, supportive and secure environment,
- 1.3.2. be informed of matters regarding their children,
- 1.3.3. be involved in developing strategies for student behaviour.

## 1.4. Parents/guardians have a responsibility to:

- 1.4.1. encourage children to observe school rules,
- 1.4.2. work co-operatively with the school to solve problems,
- 1.4.3. provide support for teachers in implementing the Code of Conduct,
- 1.4.4. communicate relevant information and concerns to the school,
- 1.4.5. abide by the school's Parent Code of Conduct.

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## 2. MINIMUM STANDARDS OF CONDUCT

- 2.1. Students are expected to:
- 2.1.1. treat all students, staff, volunteers and visitors with courtesy, tolerance and respect;
  - 2.1.2. respect the privacy and human dignity of others;
  - 2.1.3. behave in a way that that cares for the physical and mental health, safety and wellbeing of others, whether this is face to face or online; Perth Individual prohibits bullying, harassment and other forms of peer-to-peer abuse.
  - 2.1.4. report breaches to this Code of Conduct to a staff member, including but not limited to cases of bullying, harassment, physical or verbal violence, and cyber bullying or cyber abuse.
  - 2.1.5. care for School property (buildings, materials and grounds); and
  - 2.1.6. participate in School activities and lessons as requested.

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## 3. CONSEQUENCES OF BREACH OF THIS CODE

- 3.1. Students will be informed about the nature of the alleged breach.
- 3.2. Disputed matters will be fully investigated.
- 3.3. Students will be given the opportunity to respond to allegations or complaints.
- 3.4. The staff member responsible will act reasonably and consistently with the Behaviour Management Policy.
- 3.5. The School's response to the breach will be proportionate to the nature of the breach and the age of the student.

## REVISION HISTORY

#	Date	Owner	Change
v1.0	16 Oct 2002	Nerida Doherty	Initial drafting and proposal to the Board.
v1.1	12 Aug 2020	Marg Pontin	Amendment to ensure policy is line with audit findings.
v1.3	16 Apr 2021	Marg Pontin	Reviewed and updated.
v1.4	06 Aug 2022	Andrew Marsh	Reformatted with Perth Montessori template.