

#### Overview

Regents Park Public School is committed to explicitly teaching and modelling positive behaviour and to supporting all students to be engaged with their learning.

Our goal is to ensure every child is known, valued and cared for by inspiring each child to participate positively in the school community and beyond. We focus on creating opportunities for success for every student, every day. We value and strive to develop safe, respectful learners in a caring learning community.

Principles of positive behaviour support, trauma-informed practice, inclusive practice, and social emotional learning underpin our daily practice. High expectations for student behaviour are established and maintained through effective role modelling, explicit teaching, and planned responses.

To achieve our mission, key programs prioritised and valued by the school community are:

- Positive Behaviour for Learning (PBL)
- Like Skills and Life Skills Go

Regents Park Public School has clear guidelines that rejects all forms of bullying behaviours, including online (or cyber) bullying and racism by maintaining a commitment to a providing safe, inclusive, and respectful learning community that promotes student wellbeing. The school fosters an active promotion of positive behaviour, personal responsibility, mutual respect and valuing of difference as key strategies to prevent bullying. Staff are committed to establishing evidence- based approaches, access to services and programs to support implementing strategies that promote a positive environment where bullying is less likely to occur.

All members of the school community are welcomed and embraced to be active participants in building school culture that values diversity and fosters positive relationships. A key component of a supportive school culture is building respectful relationships and an ethos that bullying is not accepted, in both online and offline environments. School staff are proactive in implementing strategies, plans and support structures to mitigate and respond to student bullying behaviour.

### Partnership with parents and carers

Regents Park Public School invite partnerships with parents and carers in establishing expectations for engagement in developing, implementing and evaluating student behaviour management and anti- bullying strategies by:

- Inviting parent/ carer and student feedback through formal and informal means, such as Tell Them From Me surveys, school surveys, coffee catch ups, parent teacher

interviews, community playgroup sessions, Class Dojo and the School Bytes parent portal.

- Consulting with other school community members through organised meetings, such as parent information sessions to inquire, provide feedback and raise concerns relating to school systems, data and practices.

Regents Park Public School communicates these expectations to parents/carers through the school newsletter, website and School Bytes. Our school provides multiple opportunities and platforms to encourage the building of collaborative relationships with families and communities to create a common understanding of how to support student learning, safety and wellbeing.

### School-wide expectations and rules

Regents Park Public School has the following school-wide expectations and rules:

To be safe, respectful and value learning.



| Value Learning          | Show Respect                                | Be Safe                                 |
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| We do our personal best | We listen and share voice space             | We keep our hands and feet to ourselves |
| We are ready to learn   | We show kindness in words and actions       | We move safely around the room          |
|                         | We are active and supportive class members  | We use our equipment safely             |
|                         | We are in the right place at the right time |   |
|                         | We respect all property                     |   |

## **Behaviour Code for Students**

NSW public schools are committed to providing safe, supportive and responsive learning environments for everyone. We teach and model the behaviours we value in our students.

The Behaviour Code for Students can be found at <u>https://education.nsw.gov.au/policy-library/policyprocedures/pd-2006-0316/pd-2006-0316-01</u>. This document translated into multiple languages is available here: <u>Behaviour code for students</u>.

#### Whole school approach across the care continuum

Our school embeds evidence-based practices to support student wellbeing and positive behaviour approaches and strategies in practices across the care continuum to promote positive behaviour and respond to behaviours of concern, including bullying, racism and cyber-bullying behaviour.

These approaches and strategies are built on a foundation of evidence-based effective classroom practices that set the tone for engagement with learning and respectful relationships. These practices include:

- Explicitly modelling, stating and teaching classroom expectations
- Establishing predictable routines and procedures that are communicated clearly to students
- Communicating expected behaviour with positive feedback and reinforcement
- Discouraging, prompting and redirecting students to prevent inappropriate behaviour
- Actively supervising students
- Maximising opportunities for active engagement with learning
- Providing carefully sequenced authentic and engaging lessons that offer high challenge, differentiated lessons to deliver an inclusive and challenging curriculum.

| Care Continuum | Strategy or<br>Program | Details   | Audience |
|----------------|------------------------|---|----------|
| Prevention     | School-wide PBL        | Positive Behaviour for Learning<br>(PBL) is an evidence-based<br>framework that brings together the<br>whole-school community to<br>contribute to developing a positive,<br>safe and supportive learning<br>culture. The framework assists<br>schools to improve social,<br>emotional, behavioural and<br>academic outcomes for children and<br>young people. | K-6      |

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| Prevention     | Life Skills                    | Life Skills is a whole school program<br>that focusses on students physical,<br>social, emotional and attentional<br>self-regulating skills, developed to<br>cultivate wellbeing, resilience and<br>lifelong learning.  | K-6   |
| Prevention     | Life Skills Go                 | Life Skills GO is an emotion and<br>wellbeing check in tool that<br>measures student readiness to<br>learn. The program has lessons and<br>activities that can be implemented<br>to support students' emotional<br>wellbeing.   | K-6   |
| Prevention     | Child protection<br>lessons    | Teaching child protection education<br>is a mandatory part of the syllabus<br>and is embedded in our school's<br>PDHPE scope and sequence   | All students<br>and CRT                                     |
| Prevention     | Induction<br>processes/casuals | This includes providing newly<br>employed staff with details and an<br>information pack with key school<br>processes and procedures to<br>support whole school approaches. It<br>also includes resources provided to<br>casual staff and or SLSOs to ensure<br>they are equipped with<br>organisational and key behavioural<br>strategies, processes and<br>procedures. | Office staff,<br>teacher<br>induction<br>program<br>leader. |
| Prevention     | Class formation                | To support the creation of safe.<br>Nurturing, inclusive and challenging<br>learning environments, each teacher<br>provides a snapshot of student data,<br>progress and overall social,<br>emotional and academic needs.<br>These cards are used to make<br>informed decisions about classroom<br>formations.   | CRT K-6   |
| Prevention     | Cyber safety<br>lessons        | In line with the e-safety<br>commissioner resources and<br>programs, students in 3-6 are  | 3-6 students  |

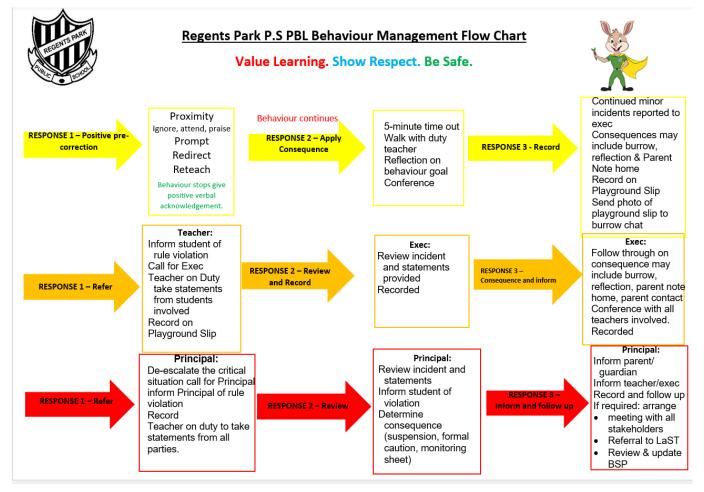
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|                          |                          | provided with opportunities to<br>engage in informed and interactive<br>sessions centred around being<br>ethical and safe online.  |  |
| Early<br>intervention    | PLAN B                   | A collaborative discussion between<br>adult and student led by empathy<br>where concerns are identified and<br>mutually agreed upon solutions to a<br>problem are developed. This<br>involves choosing a classroom to<br>support their learning and wellbeing<br>when their classroom teacher is not<br>present. | Identified<br>students and<br>LST<br>coordinator |
| Early<br>intervention    | Attendance<br>procedures | To support regular and consistent<br>attendance, our school's parent and<br>carer engagement guide outlines<br>preventive and interventional<br>strategies to support attendance<br>rates and consistent<br>implementation of key processes<br>and procedures.   | All staff and students                           |
| Early<br>intervention    | Enrolment<br>interviews  | An enrolment interview is held with<br>new students to gain information to<br>support students prior to enrolment<br>and strengthen parent partnerships.   | New<br>enrolments                                |
| Early<br>intervention    | Student voice            | A student leadership team and<br>Student Representative Council<br>consisting of elected students<br>collaborate to initiate fundraising<br>and other activities to enhance<br>school experiences.   | K-6  |
| Targeted<br>intervention | LST referrals            | The LST works with teachers,<br>students and families to support<br>students who require individualised<br>support.  | LST<br>coordinator<br>and team                   |
| Targeted<br>Intervention | Respect<br>Program       | RESPECT is a music program for<br>boys under 12 years old, teaching<br>them about domestic violence and<br>gender equality, with a view to<br>prevent and reduce domestic<br>violence in the future. Over 12   | Year 5/6 boys                                    |

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|                                |                               | weeks, the boys write, record and<br>perform an original song, and also<br>become active agents of social<br>change and role models in their<br>schools.   |  |
| Targeted<br>intervention       | Counsellor<br>referral        | The school counsellor support<br>students, families and staff by<br>providing psychological counselling,<br>assessment and intervention<br>services.   | LST<br>coordinator<br>and team                           |
| Early<br>intervention          | Kindergarten<br>Orientation   | An orientation program for new kindergarten students to support their transition to kindergarten   | Kindergarten   |
| Targeted<br>intervention       | WHIN- Nurse<br>referral       | The WHIN supports students and families by providing links to services and advice.   | All students and staff                                   |
| Individualised<br>intervention | Behaviour support<br>planning | This may include developing,<br>implementing, monitoring and<br>reviewing behaviour support,<br>behaviour response and risk<br>management plans.   | CRT and LST coordinator                                  |
| Individualised<br>Intervention | EAL/D NAP                     | The New Arrivals Program (NAP)<br>provides initial, on arrival intensive<br>English language tuition for eligible<br>newly arrived students who are<br>learning English as an Additional<br>language/ dialect (EAL/D) and are in<br>the early stages of their English<br>Language Proficiency. | Identified<br>students and<br>specialist<br>EAL/D staff. |
| Individualised<br>intervention | PLASPs/ PLPs                  | PLASPS and PLPs are developed for<br>students who require adjustments<br>and support plans to help them to<br>be successful at school. These are<br>developed in consultation with<br>students, parents/carers and school<br>staff.  | Individual<br>students                                   |

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| Individual<br>intervention  | Engagement with<br>Team around a<br>school | Individual students are referred to<br>Team Around a school for<br>individualised support                                   | Individual<br>students |
| Individual<br>intervention  | Part Day<br>Exemptions                     | Students requiring additional support may be placed on a PDE to support their transition to school.                         | Individual<br>students |
| Individual<br>interventions | NCCD<br>adjustments                        | Individual students are provided<br>with adjustments and<br>accommodations to support their<br>learning and wellbeing needs | Individual<br>students |

# Planned responses to positive appropriate behaviour, inappropriate behaviour and behaviours of concern, including bullying and cyber-bullying

Regents Park Public School embeds student wellbeing and positive behaviour approaches and strategies across the care continuum and responds to behaviours of concern, including bullying and cyberbullying behaviour. Behaviours that do not constitute bullying include mutual disagreements or isolated incidents.



### Prevention

Responses to recognise and reinforce positive, inclusive and safe behaviour include:

- Regular celebration of student achievements at an individual or class level, via certificates at assemblies, class dojo and whole school PBL rewards day every term
- Recognise individual achievement, positive behaviour and improvement in learning through PBL tokens
- Posts on school bytes, the school website and fortnightly showcasing student talent and success
- Implementing a whole school consistent approach of appropriate and positive behaviour thoroughly weekly PBL focal points presented at a weekly whole school assembly

## Responses to serious behaviours of concern

- The NSW Department of Education <u>Student Behaviour policy</u> and <u>Suspension and</u> <u>Expulsion procedures</u> apply to all NSW public schools.
- Responses to all behaviours of concern apply to student behaviour that occurs:
  - at school
  - on the way to and from school
  - on school-endorsed activities that are off-site
  - outside school hours and off school premises where there is a clear and close connection between the school and students' conduct
  - when using social media, mobile devices and/or other technology involving another student or staff member.

### Reporting and recording behaviours of concern

Staff will report and record behaviours of concern on School Bytes and parents will be notified.

Staff will comply with reporting and responding processes outlined in the:

- Incident Notification and Response Policy
- Incident Notification and Response Procedures
- Student Behaviour policy and Suspension and Expulsion procedures.

| Minor Teacher Managed   | Major/Repeated Minor Incident-<br>Leadership managed  | Critical/Repeated Major Incident-<br>Leadership/Principal managed  |
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| Physical or aggressive play or behaviour  | Physical or aggressive play or behaviour  | Physical or Aggressive play or behaviour   |
| Student is physically touching<br>another person without<br>intending to harm the person.<br>This may include grabbing at<br>body or clothing, accidental | Student repeatedly uses rough or<br>physical force, action, or treatment<br>towards peers or teachers. This may<br>include instigating a fight and<br>continuing to get involved in a fight | Student consciously and<br>intentionally inflicts physical<br>harm to another student or<br>teacher. This may include<br>assaulting a teacher or student |

| contact with student, pushing or<br>shoving, tackling, striking in a<br>game, spitting (non-aggressive)<br>and playing a banned game<br>including 'play fighting'. | (no physical contact involved),<br>spitting aggressively and<br>consistently intimidating other<br>students.<br>Abuse | using physical violence such as<br>striking or punching. Student<br>indecently touches another<br>person.<br>Abuse |
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| Abuse  | Destruction of property   | Destruction of property  |
| Destruction of property  | Non-compliance  | Non-compliance   |
| Non-compliance<br>Out of bounds  | Out of bounds   | Fixed equipment use  |
| Fixed equipment use  | Weapons   | Weapons  |
| Weapons  |   | Bullying/Harassment  |
| Late to class  |   | Absconding   |
| Late to lines  |   |  |
| Not wearing a Hat  |   |  |

| Minor – Teacher Managed<br>Applies to classroom, Assembly,<br>PE, Scripture, Library,<br>withdrawal groups   | Major – Leadership Managed<br>Applies to classroom, Assembly, PE,<br>Scripture, Library, withdrawal<br>groups                               | Critical – Leadership/Principal<br>Managed<br>Applies to classroom, Assembly,<br>PE, Scripture, Library, withdrawal<br>groups |
|--|---|---|
| Value Learning<br>Task Avoidant Behaviour<br>Incorrect use of<br>Media/Technology:<br>Truancy                | Value Learning<br>Chronic Misbehaviour<br>Media/Technology<br>Truancy   | Value Learning<br>Chronic Misbehaviour<br>Media/Technology<br>Truancy   |
| Show Respect<br>Verbal<br>Physical<br>Transitions<br>Minor Harassment<br>Non-compliance<br>Property<br>Theft | Show Respect<br>Verbal<br>Physical<br>Bullying/Harassment<br>Non-compliance<br>Property<br>Theft<br>Racism/Discrimination- refer to<br>ARCO | Show Respect<br>Bullying/Harassment<br>Property<br>Verbal<br>Theft<br>Racism/Discrimination- refer to<br>ARCO                 |
| Be Safe<br>Transitions<br>Physical<br>Property<br>Uniform Violation:   | Be Safe<br>Physical<br>Property<br>Possession of weapons  | Be Safe<br>Non-compliance<br>Physical Violence<br>Possession of weapons   |

## Detention, reflection and restorative practices

| Strategy   | When and how long?   | Who<br>coordinates?  | How are these recorded?      |
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| Participate in learning conversation and complete a reflection sheet | 30 minutes,<br>With food and<br>toilet breaks<br>provided as<br>required | Supervising<br>teacher, team<br>leader or<br>executive,<br>depending on<br>behaviour | School bytes,<br>hard copies |

**Review dates** 

Last updated: 09 December 2024

Next review date: December 2025