

Junior School Council Policy

Date: April 2010

1. Rationale

- 1.1 Williamstown North Primary School strongly supports the development of student Leadership Skills.
- 1.2 At our school the Junior School Council will represent the student body in raising, discussing, reporting and acting upon relevant student issues.

2. Aims

- 2.1 To provide a forum where student issues and concerns can be raised on a regular basis.
- 2.2 To develop Leadership Skills in students elected from Years 3/4 and 5/6.
- 2.3 To represent their peers via Junior School Council, where issues concerning the school are raised and discussed.
- 2.4 To assist with fundraising activities that support charities.
- 2.5 To assist with whole school events such as RTIM and Footy Week etc.

3. Implementation

- 3.1 Each 3/4 and 5/6 class elects a male and female Representative and a male and female Vice Representative.
- 3.2 Representatives meet on a regular basis at a designated time.
- 3.3 Two Junior School Council representatives attend a meeting at Hobson's bay Council each month.
- 3.4 A male and female are elected from the representative body to report outcomes of meetings to the Principal/Assistant Principal.
- 3.5 Each elected representative is responsible for giving their class and their designated Prep or Year 1/2 class an opportunity to provide ideas, issues or concerns to take back to the meetings.
- 3.6 Junior School Council members are invited to attend a designated School Council meeting during the year.

4. Evaluation/Review

- 4.1 The program will be carefully monitored and changes made where appropriate. This will occur via the Professional Learning Teams, Leadership Team and the Well-being Key Reference Group.
- 4.2 Annual program evaluation will occur to assess strengths and improvement opportunities.
- 4.3 This Policy will be reviewed in-line with the School Review process.

This policy has been ratified by School Council on 25th May 2010.