

TIRIMOANA SCHOOL **ACTIVE SUPERVISION POLICY**

RATIONALE:

All children have the basic right to feel secure in their environment. A happy playground is a well supervised one.

PURPOSES:

1. To ensure that all pupils feel happy, safe and secure in their playground environment.
2. To ensure that all staff are aware of the school's procedures and requirements of Active Supervision.
3. To regularly inform and remind children of safe play so all are aware of the school's expectations.
4. To establish a sense of pride and care for the environment by ensuring that the grounds are litter free, that recycling is practised and care is exhibited to the gardens and buildings.
5. To train senior pupils as Care Ambassadors each year and to ensure all pupils know how to follow the mediation process.

GUIDELINES:

1. A designated staff member will organise an active supervision roster at the commencement of each school term or as required.
2. All staff will carry out active supervision. This may be on rostered playground supervision, sports, choir, cultural club, coaching or inside supervision. The playground will be supervised whenever children are in the playground between hours of 8.30am and 3.10pm.
3. All staff are responsible for ensuring that they start active supervision at the appropriate time according to the roster. If members of staff are out on a class visit, it is his/her responsibility to find a replacement. School fluro 'Active Supervision' vests will be worn by all members of staff.
4. General playground supervision entails checking and ensuring that all aspects of playground activities are of a safe nature. Sports responsibilities require the teacher to organise and supervise a suitable game for children of various ages. Inside supervision require the teacher to manage appropriate inside activities.
5. Care Ambassadors, will be on duty each half hour of lunchtime. Children will be encouraged to seek their help with minor disputes.
6. All children must be supervised by their own class teacher for the first 5 minutes of the morning tea break and the first 10 minutes of the lunchbreak (while eating) either in an outside area or inside the classroom depending on the weather. Litter must be removed before children leave this area.
7. Any accidents or injuries to a child in the playground will be referred to the office area.
8. On wet days four bells will indicate when children are to be inside. All staff are rostered on active supervision.
9. Staff on active supervision will deal with any disruptive behaviour in the playground as per the school behaviour management plan. If this persists or is of a serious nature, it will be reported to the Senior Leadership Team.
10. Specific personalised playground monitoring will be organised for any child who requires greater levels of supervision to ensure his/her personal safety or to protect the safety of others.
11. Staff will prompt children to pick up litter when on playground supervision.
12. Staff are expected to acknowledge, promote and model positive playground behaviour using Positive Behaviour for Learning practice (PB4L).