Privacy Policy

Rationale

- 1. To collect and hold only the information necessary, on behalf of the child and the family and school employees.
- 2. To observe and protect the right to privacy of all, with regard to the information held and its distribution or release.
- 3. To examine the information at regular intervals and to dispose of that which is no longer required.

Guidelines

- 1. Obtain, as required, from the parent/guardian/caregiver/employee, information which is -
 - [a] required by law
 - [b] needed by the school or
 - [c] considered necessary by the parent/guardian/caregiver/employee
- 2. Information shall be filed in the school office and appropriately secured.
- 3. The children's assessment records shall be held by the teacher and shall -
 - [a] be completed with the appropriate academic, social, health and welfare information as required. This information shall be factual and verifiable.
 - [b] include results and observations from authorised support agencies (e.g. health, GES) as appropriate.
 - [c] be passed on when the child transfers to another school or be destroyed appropriately.
- 4. For some children anecdotal notes may be necessary, especially should continued atypical behaviour be exhibited.
- 5. All information shall be regarded as confidential to the school unless approval for its distribution to other agencies is given by the parent/guardian/caregiver/employee.
- 6. The school Board of Trustees shall ensure that by school management a School Privacy Officer is appointed.

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