

# COMMUNICATION WITH SCHOOL STAFF POLICY



## Help for non-English speakers

If you need help to understand the information in this policy please contact our Administration Office on (03) 59 298411.

#### **PURPOSE**

This policy explains how Kuyim Primary School proposes to manage common enquiries from parents and carers.

## **SCOPE**

This policy applies to school staff, and all parents and carers in our community.

#### **POLICY**

Kuyim Primary School understands the importance of providing helpful and timely responses to common enquiries from parents and carers. To ensure that members of our school community are directed to the most appropriate person to assist them, the information below outlines key contacts for common queries:

- to report a student absence, please contact classroom teachers or administration staff via SENTRAL or calling (03) 59 298411.
- to report any urgent issues relating to a student on a particular day, please contact the Administration Office on (03) 59 298411
- to discuss a student's academic progress, health or wellbeing, please contact your classroom teacher
- for enquiries regarding camps and excursions, please contact your classroom teacher
- to make a complaint, please contact the Principal or Assistant Principal on Kuyim.ps@education.vic.gov.au Please also refer to our Complaints policy
- to report a potential hazard or incident on the school site, please contact our School Administration on (03) 59 298411
- for parent payments, please contact School Administration on (03) 59 298411 or Kuyim.ps@education.vic.gov.au
- for all other enquiries, please contact our Office on (03) 59 298411 or Kuyim.ps@education.vic.gov.au
- We will do our best to respond to general queries as soon as possible. The <u>right to</u>
  <u>disconnect</u> legislation makes explicit that all employees have the right to refuse to monitor,
  read, listen to or respond to contact that occurs outside their working hours from their
  employer or a third party (such as a student or a parent), unless that refusal is unreasonable.

We ask that you allow us 2-3 working days to provide you with a detailed response to general queries. We will endeavour to respond to urgent matters within 24 hours where possible.

# **Interpreting Services**

We can arrange for interpreting support if you are from a language background other than English and need help with understanding important educational information about your child. Contact the Assistant Principal for more information.

## Requests for information

Parents and carers are generally entitled to information ordinarily provided to parents, including school reports and newsletters.

Parents and carers seeking information that is not ordinarily provided to parents are encouraged to apply for access through the Freedom of Information process, or, if the information is sought for use in court proceedings, by issuing a subpoena.

Freedom of Information requests should be directed to:

Manager – Freedom of Information Unit Department of Education and Training 2 Treasury Place EAST MELBOURNE VIC 3002 03 9637 3134 foi@education.vic.gov.au

## **COMMUNICATION**

This policy will be communicated to our school community in the following ways:

- Available publicly on our school's website
- Included in staff induction processes and staff training
- Included in staff handbook/manual
- Discussed at parent information nights/sessions
- Reminders in our school newsletter
- Hard copy available from school administration upon request

## POLICY REVIEW AND APPROVAL

Policy last reviewed	4 <sup>th</sup> August, 2025
Consultation	School Council and School Staff 30 <sup>th</sup> July, 2025
Approved by	School Principal
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