

# DRUG EDUCATION

## POLICY

### **Rationale:**

- This policy has been developed in consultation with staff, students, parents and local health agencies. Our students are exposed to drug related issues at home, school, and in the wider community. Appropriate skills and knowledge will be taught to minimise drug related harms for students with high priority being given to student welfare. It is based on the principles of harm minimisation and in accordance with all relevant Lynbrook Primary School policies.

### **Aims:**

- To implement relevant and comprehensive drug education as an on-going component of the curriculum.
- To promote and sustain the rights of all students to be safe and supported in the school community.
- To develop and maintain a health promoting environment.
- To enhance the emotional, physical and social health of all students.

### **Implementation:**

The provision of a comprehensive and co-ordinated approach to drug education across the whole school community, whilst acknowledging that school is only one part of a community response to drug education issues.

To provision of a range of activities and initiatives to support our aims:

- Whole school approach to health.
- The use of Resources- Life Education and other Departmental updates.
- Plan activities of Integrated units of work.
- Whole school program-“You Can Do It” supports the Drug Ed policy.
- To provide professional development for staff so that they feel confident in teaching harm minimisation drug education.

The development of a Drug Incident Protocol to be uniformly followed in any drug related incidents.

- Indicators for successful implementation will include: documented consultations with staff, parents and the community ie staff meetings, surveys, parent forums.
- The development and delivery of units of work. Eg- Life Education
- The use of community resources and community health centre personnel.
- Publish guidelines for dealing with drug related incidence.
- The provision of professional development for staff.

### **Evaluation:**

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- This policy was last ratified by School Council in 2016.