

Springvale Rise Primary School

PARENT AND COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT

Rationale:

Parents and members of the community are able to provide significant resources, insights and expertise regarding a range of matters pertinent to the operations of the school. Springvale Rise Primary School Staff seek to greatly enhance the opportunities that are offered to students by utilising the numerous benefits available from parent and community involvement in the school.

Aims:

To maximise the opportunities in which parents and other community members can be effectively involved in the school.

Implementation:

- Springvale Rise Primary School Staff values and actively encourages parents and other community members to be involved in the life of the school.
- Education will be provided to parents about Child Abuse Awareness via:
 - School Newsletter
 - School Council / Staff agendas
 - Parents as Helpers Training Sessions
 - Induction Processes
 - Parent Information Sessions
- Opportunities for parent and community involvement will be identified.
- Opportunities for parental involvement will be advertised regularly in the school newsletter.
- Parents from non-English speaking backgrounds will be actively encouraged to be involved with the school.
- Input will be sought from minority community groups, where cultural or language difficulties might otherwise inhibit their participation.
- Child minding arrangements will be explored to maximise parental involvement.
- Parents actively involved in the school will feature in the school newsletter.
- The school will formally recognise the contributions of parents at Springvale Heights Primary School by means of an annual morning tea.
- Feedback will be sought from parents regarding their perceptions concerning parental involvement at the school.
- The School Wellbeing Officer regularly provides opportunities for the involvement and participation of parents in school activities.
- A Breakfast Club, coordinated by the Community Hub Coordinator, is a daily means through which many parents and Community members are involved in the life of the school.
- A Community Hub will operate on both campuses and provide support and education to parents and the wider school community

Evaluation:

Account will be taken of the following: Parent Opinion Survey, Anecdotal Information, Level of parent/ community involvement in designated school activities

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Review:

This policy will be reviewed as part of the school's three year cycle

This policy was last ratified by School Council in

April 2017