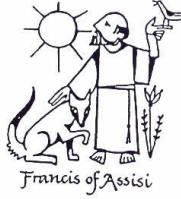


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Policy on Pastoral Care

DEFINITION:

Pastoral Care is the Ministry of service to others.

RATIONALE:

Pastoral Care reflects the school's special character, embodying Christian values that encourage spirituality, self-discipline, personal awareness and responsibility, while recognising the importance of maintaining a balance between individual and communal needs.

PURPOSE:

1. To nurture the total being of each child, so that they may grow in spiritual and emotional well being and in turn be able to care for others.

GUIDELINES:

1. Our Pastoral Care is underpinned in the Gospel values, the core of which is the dignity of the human person.
2. The ministry of service to others will assist children to develop their relationship with God and celebrate this in the sacraments.
3. To assist the children to take ownership of their decisions, and accept the consequences of their actions.
4. To teach them to accept forgiveness and to forgive others.
5. To be sensitive to cultural differences and values.

PRINCIPAL _____

CHAIRPERSON _____

REVIEW DATE _____