RATIONALE

Our school canteen enhances school life by providing a useful service in the provision of food for students and staff.

AIMS

- To provide generally nutritious and wholesome foods for students and staff at reasonable prices.
- To provide by example an excellent role model for healthy eating habits which will complement classroom learning.
- To provide the opportunity for parent participation in a practical and supportive manner.
- To provide a healthy and safe environment for the preparation and distribution of food to students and staff.
- To be financially self-supporting.

GUIDELINES

- The development and implementation of the Canteen Policy is the responsibility of the School Council through its Community sub-committee.
- The School Council Community sub-committee will comprise representation from School Council, Canteen Manager, parents, staff and the Principal.
- The School Council Community sub-committee will ensure that:
  - Foods selected for sale will normally be free from large amounts of added sugar, low in salt content, low in fat content, low in chemical additive content and high in fibre content.
  - A range of foods will be available from the five basic groups - milk and milk products, bread and cereals, fruit and vegetables, lean meats and butter and margarine.
  - The canteen will comply with regulations governing health, safety and finance, including implementation of a Food Safety Program.
  - The Canteen Manager, along with Day captains, will be responsible for the smooth running of the canteen and make every endeavour to ensure a happy and positive working atmosphere.
- The School Council Community sub-committee will meet as the need arises to:
  - review the day-to-day functioning of the canteen;
  - monitor and prepare changes to the menu;
  - evaluate the effectiveness of the canteen.
- The School Council will review the policy statement periodically using the most recent guidelines as proposed by the Australian School Canteen Association.

EVALUATION