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## KEEPING SAFE: CHILD PROTECTION CURRICULUM

Dear Parent/Carer,

I am writing to inform you about the Keeping Safe: Child Protection Curriculum (KS:CPC) that your child/children will be learning throughout the year. The teachers delivering the program have received explicit training in the use of the Curriculum.

The KS:CPC is a Department for Education responsibility under the *South Australia Children and Young People (Safety) Act 2017* and the *Safeguarding Children and Young People Policy* to ensure that effective abuse prevention programs are implemented and that all children and young people have access to the approved Child Protection Curriculum.

Although parent permission is not required under the *Education and Children's Services Regulations 2020*, we encourage parents and carers to seek further clarification if required and to provide the teacher with any relevant information about their child that could alleviate any concerns.

The KS:CPC is a child safety and respectful relationships curriculum developed collaboratively with child protection experts, teachers, educational leaders and other professionals.

The KS:CPC is divided into 5 documents specific to the age and year level of students, starting from age 3 and progressing to age 17+.

The KS:CPC is predicated on two main themes which are presented through topics and activities of increasing complexity. The two KS:CPC Themes are:

- Theme 1: We all have the right to be safe
- Theme 2: We can help ourselves to be safe by talking to people we trust.

The two KS:CPC Themes are explored through four Focus Areas, which are examined in growing complexity in accordance with the age of the students. The Focus Areas are:

- Focus Area 1: The right to be safe
- Focus Area 2: Relationships
- Focus Area 3: Recognising and reporting abuse
- Focus Area 4: Protective strategies

The activities are structured in a sequential nature and at an age and developmentally appropriate level covering a range of topics.

The KS:CPC fits primarily within the Health and Physical Education learning area of the Australian Curriculum and is often incorporated across other learning areas. For all year levels at the College, we also allocate one lesson a week within Mentor Groups to ensure all elements of the curriculum are covered effectively.

More information can be found on the KS:CPC website: [http://kscpc.2.vu/DE\\_ParentsCarers](http://kscpc.2.vu/DE_ParentsCarers). Please contact your child's Mentor Teacher if you have any questions about the curriculum.

Kind regards,



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