Child Safeguarding Commitment Statement

Listening to the voices of children

Jesus said, ‘Let the little children come to me, and do not stop them, for it is to such as these that the kingdom of heaven belongs.’ Mt 19:13.

Dominican Education Australia (DEA) and its six Education Ministries are actively committed to fostering safe communities which recognise and uphold the dignity and rights of children and vulnerable adults and have zero tolerance for any abuse committed to them.

We encourage open communication whereby families and communities are informed of relevant issues and participate in decisions about the safety of children and vulnerable adults. It is important to us to seek ways that the voices of children and vulnerable adults are heard.

We actively seek to remain informed of the causes and signs of child abuse and neglect.

DEA and its ministries have documented policies and procedures to prevent risks to children and maintain a strong culture of safeguarding. DEA Trustees and staff, as well as leaders and staff in her ministries, are expected to follow these policies and procedures and contribute to the culture of care and protection of all children and vulnerable adults.

Anyone who brings forward a suspicion, concern, knowledge or allegation of current or past abuse of a child to DEA or her Education Ministries will be responded to sensitively, respectfully, and in a timely manner, consistent with our obligations and our Complaints Handling Policy.

DEA regularly undertakes internal and external auditing of our compliance with safeguarding policies and practices and that of her Ministries, to ensure that they always support a culture that places the safety of children and vulnerable adults at the centre of our thinking and action.

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