POLICY: CHILD PROTECTION

1. Rationale

As a condition of its operation within the Diocese of Parramatta, St Michael’s Primary school promotes the diocesan policy on Child Protection. This policy asserts that each school promote the safety, welfare and wellbeing of children and young people through the provision of a physical environment that is safe and secure.

2. Aims

2.1 For all within the school community to have an understanding of and a commitment to child protection requirements.
2.2 For all those who have contact with children to have completed the child protection school based inservice.
2.3 For regular site and facility inspections to be completed to ensure that there is no risk to children or young people.

3. Implementation

3.1 All staff and parent volunteers to be made aware of child protection requirements at the beginning of each year.
3.2 For the Principal or the Assistant Principal to arrange for information to be dispersed to staff and parent volunteers during Term 1.
3.3 For the Principal together with the O.H.S. Committee to ensure at the beginning of each year that the site conforms to requirements regarding risk management.
3.4 For all parents and staff to sign prohibited employment declaration forms.
3.5 For all parents and staff to complete the on line child protection tutorial.
3.6 For regular items to be placed in the newsletter reinforcing the schools child protection requirements.
3.7 For parents and staff to be made aware of the school policy on children entering or leaving the care of school personnel at times other than the stated commencement and dismissal.

4. Evaluation

For the policy to be evaluated on a biannual basis by staff and parents.