

# COMMUNICATION WITH SCHOOL STAFF POLICY

#### **PURPOSE**

This policy explains how Wonga Park Primary School proposes to manage common enquiries from parents and carers.

## **SCOPE**

This policy applies to school staff, and all parents and carers in our community.

## **POLICY**

Wonga Park Primary School understands the importance of providing helpful and timely responses to common enquiries from parents and carers. To ensure that members of our school community are directed to the most appropriate person to assist them, the information below outlines key contacts for common queries:

- to report a student absence, please lodge the absence on the Sentral app. or contact the school office on 9722 1325.
- to report any urgent issues relating to a student on a particular day, please contact the office on 9722 1325
- to discuss a student's academic progress, health or wellbeing, please contact your child's class teacher via phone or send an email to the teacher using the schools email address; wonga.park.ps@education.vic.gov.au or to the leadership team member allocated to your child's level (see below)
- for enquiries regarding camps and excursions, please contact the camp coordinator on 9722 1325
- to make a complaint, please contact the Principal/Assistant Principal on 9722 1325 or wonga.park.ps@education.vic.gov.au Please also refer to our Complaints policy
- to report a potential hazard or incident on the school site, please contact the office on 9722 1325 or wonga.park.ps@education.vic.gov.au
- for parent payments, please contact the office on 9722 1325 and speak with the Business Manager
- for requests regarding allied health professionals, please call the office 9722 1325 and speak with the Assistant Principal
- for all other enquiries, please contact our office

School staff will do our best to respond to general queries as soon as possible and ask that you allow us 2 – 3 working days to provide you with a detailed response. We will endeavour to respond to urgent matters within 24 hours where possible. For more complex matters, we ask you to allow us for up to 7 working days to respond.

#### Email correspondence with staff

You may choose to email the classroom teacher via the school's email address wonga.park.ps@education.vic.gov.au or the Leadership team member allocated to levels for correspondence;

#### 2021

Prep - Julie Crawford (principal)

**Levels 1 & 2 –** Cindy Norman (Learning Specialist)

Levels 3 & 4 - Terri Gioia (Learning Specialist)

**Levels 5 & 6 –** Adele Brice (Assistant Principal)

## **Requests for information**

Parents and carers are generally entitled to information ordinarily provided to parents, including school reports and newsletters.

Parents and carers seeking information that is not ordinarily provided to parents are encouraged to apply for access through the Freedom of Information process, or, if the information is sought for use in court proceedings, by issuing a subpoena.

Freedom of Information requests should be directed to:

Manager – Freedom of Information Unit Department of Education and Training 2 Treasury Place EAST MELBOURNE VIC 3002 03 9637 3134 foi@edumail.vic.gov.au

### **REVIEW CYCLE**

This policy was last updated in September 2021 and is scheduled for review in September 2025.