

# **GLENROY WEST PRIMARY SCHOOL 4809** CANTEEN POLICY

**INSPIRE GROW ACHIEVE** 

# **Underlying Assumptions, Philosophy and Rationale:**

We believe that we are a community of learners where ecological and sustainable values are embedded in all programs and practices. Our sustainability focus is inclusive of the lifestyle choices that underpin long term heath and the formation of healthy habits. Therefore we believe that:

- the choices we make about our diet have a physical and emotional impact on our lives
- we are part of the interconnected community of creation, inter-related with all other creatures
- health education provides the background for wise and moral decisions.

### **Purpose/Aims:**

# Through the application of this policy we aim to:

- provide opportunities for students and staff to purchase food and drink items within the school grounds
- provide an opportunity for community involvement in the management and operation of a food service
- promote eating practices within the community that promotes healthy living and an active lifestyle
- provide opportunities for our children to actively be involved in real life examples of food handling, and financial interactions.

#### **Guidelines:**

## The Principal will:

- ensure that all staff, children and families are aware of the Sustainable Living Policy and Nude Food
- make a copy of these policies available to the school community.

#### **School Council will:**

- Review the canteen menu each term, publish in hardcopy
- Ensure that the needs of students with allergies and religious considerations (ie Halal) are being included
- Review prices yearly
- Promote healthy choices by using the colour coding system (example found at http://www.nutritionaustralia.org/vic/green-light-eat-right)
- Liaise with Parents Group regarding operations

# All children will:

- be involved in the Health and Physical Education program where their class will investigate healthy food
- receive a copy of the canteen menu at the beginning of each term or when revisions have been made
- have the opportunity to order a lunch order on Fridays

### All staff members will:

- promote the underlying assumptions, philosophy and rationale above
- integrate sustainability practices into the Australian Curriculum
- ensure that their classroom lunch order basket is taken to the canteen promptly on Friday mornings

• continue to encourage healthy food choices with an emphasis on Nude Food and reducing packaging waste

### Parents/Carers will:

- have access to the canteen menu through hardcopies, the newsletter and the school website
- be able to order a lunch order for their children on Fridays during school terms
- have the opportunity to volunteer in the canteen
- have the opportunity to participate in Food Handling safety training in order to volunteer in the canteen

# **Implementation:**

All staff, parents, carers and children will be made aware of and have access to the policy via the school newsletter and website.

### **Evaluation:**

This policy will be reviewed as part of the school's four-year review process.
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This policy was ratified by School Council 27 April 2015

The policy will be next reviewed in 2018