







# **COMMUNICATION WITH SCHOOL STAFF POLICY**



### Help for non-English speakers

If you need help to understand the information in this policy, please contact the front office.

#### **PURPOSE**

This policy explains how Caulfield Junior College 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**

Caulfield Junior College 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 enter it on Compass;
- to report any urgent issues relating to a student on a particular day, please contact the front office on +61 3 9509 6872;
- to discuss a student's academic progress, health or wellbeing, please contact your classroom teacher via Compass;
- for enquiries regarding camps and excursions, please contact your classroom teacher via Compass;
- to make a complaint, please contact your classroom teacher via Compass. Please also refer to our Complaints policy;
- to report a potential hazard or incident on the school site, please contact the front office;
- for parent payments, please contact the front office on +61 3 9509 6872;
- for all other enquiries, please contact our office on +61 3 9509 6872.

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.

## **Interpreting Services**

We can arrange for interpreting support if you are from a language background other than English and need help with understanding important educational information about your child. Contact +61 3 9509 6872 for more information.









## **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@education.vic.gov.au

## **COMMUNICATION**

This policy will be communicated to our school community in the following ways:

• Available publicly on our school's website

## **POLICY REVIEW AND APPROVAL**

Policy last reviewed	2022
Approved by	Principal
Next scheduled review date	2026