



## Student Code of Conduct for Child Safety

### *Our Vision*

Our Lady of Lourdes Catholic Primary School seeks to offer excellence in education, enlivened by the Life and teaching of Jesus Christ in a school community where the dignity of each person is valued.

### *School Motto*

*'Honor Pretiosor Auro'*

**Honour is more precious than gold**

Our motto reminds us to look to Jesus Christ, whose life and teaching inspire us to live life with honour, seeking justice for all.

### **1. You act safely and competently.**

*'We act in a way that is safe for ourselves and those around us'*

- We must always act and move in a safe and careful manner
- We must act safely to protect both ourselves and others
- Keeping ourselves and others safe extends to online communities
- We should always speak and act in ways that are appropriate and supportive of our fellow classmates

### **2. You give priority to students' safety and well-being in all your behaviour and decision making.**

*'Every student has the right to feel safe at Our Lady of Lourdes'*

- We must speak and act in a way that always maintains the safety of others
- We must care for each other so that everyone can feel safe and supported
- We need to care for our own and others' physical and emotional safety
- We respect the opinions of others

### **3. You act in accordance with the values of the Gospel as defined in the Code of Ethical Conduct.**

*'We seek to follow Jesus through our thoughts, words and actions'*

- We show respect for everyone in our school community
- We speak kind, encouraging words to each other
- We treat others the way we would like to be treated
- We offer forgiveness to those who have wronged us
- We seek to be the best person we can be

**4. You conduct yourself in accordance with laws, agreements, policies and standards relevant to your relationship with the school community.**

*'We listen to and obey the instructions of our teachers'*

- We listen to instructions so we can stay safe, move forward in our learning, allow others to learn and maintain positive relationships with our classmates
- By listening and following instructions we help to create a safe, positive and welcoming environment for everyone

**5. You respect the dignity, culture, values and beliefs of each member of the school community.**

*'We respect the dignity, culture, values and beliefs of others'*

- We recognise and respect that students from OLOL come from many different communities, backgrounds and cultures
- We show respect to the beliefs and ideals of our classmates by listening carefully to what they have to say

**6. You treat personal information about members of the school community as private and confidential.**

*'We respect the privacy of our friends and classmates'*

- We keep information about other students, staff, parents and parishioners private
- We don't gossip or talk about other students, staff, parents or parishioners
- We show support to our classmates, especially during difficult or sensitive times

**7. You give impartial, honest and accurate information about the education, safety and wellbeing of students.**

*'We will speak and act with honesty and integrity'*

- We speak to our parents, teachers, staff and classmates truthfully
- We are truthful even if we have done something wrong

**8. You support all members of the school community in making informed decisions about students.**

*'We support the Christian values of Our Lady of Lourdes School'*

- We speak and act like Jesus, at all times
- We treat others the way we wish to be treated
- We stand up and show compassion for those in need
- We include others

**9. You promote and preserve the trust and privilege inherent in your relationship with all members of the school community.**

*'We make a choice to be part of the Our Lady of Lourdes community and show respect to all members within it'*

- We are respectful to all members of our school community
- We think, speak and act in ways that help make our school a better place for everyone
- We work hard to maintain the trust of our parents and teachers, to be the best we can be

**10. You maintain and build on the community's trust and confidence in Catholic schools and the Church.**

*'We will represent Our Lady of Lourdes in a positive manner at all times'*

- Whether we are attending interschool events, excursions or at school, we represent our school in a positive manner at all times
- We wear the correct uniform each day and take pride in its presentation
- We act positively towards each other, our teachers and our parents
- We take pride in attending Our Lady of Lourdes School

**11. You act reflectively and ethically.**

*'We think about our words and actions so we can be the best person we can be'*

- We think before we act and speak
- We keep in mind the Great Commandment of Jesus, which is to do unto others, just as you would have done unto you
- We think carefully about what we say and do and speak and act in ways that do not cause harm to others
- We reflect on poor choices, so we can learn from them and improve in the future

**12. You allow students to have a voice in their education, safety and well-being.**

*'Students have a right to feel heard'*

- Every student has a right to be heard by all staff and classmates
- We show respect to those around us by listening carefully to what they have to say and responding in a positive manner
- We know that every student in our school is unique, and we recognise the importance of their education, safety and wellbeing
- We treat everyone equally
- We include everyone in all activities
- We are respectful of everyone's opinions