

Michael Park School's aim is to create a safe, happy and fulfilling learning environment that promotes responsibility, respect and the value of excellence. You have a right to an education which offers you the best opportunity to study and develop. No-one should be hindered from doing this by others. This Code of Conduct describes the behaviour necessary to ensure this environment. This includes respect for the learning and physical environment, respect for others and ourselves and the protection of the rights of every individual in the school. It is our responsibility to act in such a way that these ideals can be met, and this Code of Conduct focuses on these responsibilities.

Student Responsibilities and Rights

| Students at MPS have the responsibility to: | Students at MPS have the right to: |
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| 1. Contribute to the learning environment by: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> Attending all lessons Arriving punctually Having necessary resources and homework at school | 1. A classroom environment that promotes learning |
| 2. Participate actively and respectfully in all lessons and do best in their work | 2. Lessons that contribute to their learning needs and reflects our Steiner / Waldorf curriculum |
| 3. Hand in work on time in an acceptable format to the best of their ability | 3. Marked work being returned in a timely manner and access to further feedback / conversations about learning in order to clarify next learning steps |
| 4. Act with respect toward others including: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> Listening to others without interruptions Respectful interaction with classmates, teachers, school staff, visitors, education officers and events providers. Using appropriate language Respecting the views, rights, cultures, property and learning styles of others | 4. Be treated with respect and dignity by teachers, school staff and classmates including: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> Talk about learning programmes and their learning progress with teachers Voice opinions in a respectful manner to teachers, classmates and school staff. |
| 5. Know the teacher and classroom expectations and routines and follow instructions the first time they are given | 5. Be informed by teachers about their expectations regarding work and classroom routines |
| 6. Treat all school facilities and equipment with respect | 6. Have access to the school facilities and equipment to complete their school work. |
| 7. Follow safety and other requirements specific to each learning area and the playground including: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> Gym gear/ change of clothes/ footwear for PE, Craft, Outdoor Classroom, jewellery restrictions, Long hair tied back Using playground with attention to safety of others | 7. Be informed by teachers about their expectations regarding safety equipment and clothing required for specific lessons. |
| 8. Maintain a clean and safe school campus by: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> Keeping classrooms, eating, playing, relaxing areas clean and tidy at all times Following school rules and teacher directives | 8. A clean, safe, school, environment |
| 9. Know and respect this code of conduct, school rules and dress code and accept the consequences for personal behaviour with dignity and honesty | 9. Be informed of school rules, dress code and the process by which discipline will be applied (consequences for behaviour and discipline) |
| 10. Speak out against bullying, exclusive and abusive behaviour | 10. An inclusive, bully-free environment and informed access to counselling / pastoral support if needed. |
| 11. Respect our neighbours, the wider community and their property, for example: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> Not trespassing or creating undue noise Respectful interactions and demeanour when outside of the school and on school excursions, trips and camps. | 11. Be informed about the school's expectations regarding wider community and off-site conduct when they are on school excursions, trips and camps |
| 12. Work with integrity by not cheating, copying or assisting another student to cheat or copy | 12. Confidentiality and responsible maintenance of their record of learning and disciplinary records |

Michael Park School is legally responsible for students from the time they leave home until they return home & while on school trips & camps. While on your way to or from school, or on a school trip, any inappropriate behaviour will make you liable for disciplinary action.