



Mary MacKillop College South Gippsland

Child Safety and Protection: Our Child Safety Officers

Mary MacKillop College has appointed the people listed below as the College's Child Safety Officers. Each Child Safety Officer is available to answer any questions that you may have with respect to our Child Protection and Safety Policy and the Child Protection Program.

It is every individual's responsibility to protect children and make reports regarding their concerns to the appropriate authorities.

If a person requires support in reporting to the authorities, the College's Child Safety Officers are your first point of contact. They receive special training that allows them to deal with child protection concerns both sensitively and effectively.

'Child Abuse' includes:

- sexual offences;
- grooming;
- physical violence;
- serious emotional or psychological harm;
- serious neglect; and
- family violence, or exposure to family violence.

If you have any concern that a child may be experiencing any form of abuse, whether or not you have formed a belief on reasonable grounds that the abuse has occurred, you can discuss your concerns with the College's Child Safety Officer. Please note that only raising concerns with the College's Child Safety Officer, does not meet your legal obligations to report suspected child abuse.

The welfare and best interests of the child are paramount. Whenever there are concerns that a child is in immediate danger the Police should be called on 000.

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