



Mary MacKillop Catholic Regional College

College Child Protection Officers

Mary MacKillop Catholic Regional College has appointed the people listed below as the College's Child Protection Officers. Each Child Protection 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.

Child Protection Officers roles within the College are voluntary. However, each persons:

- attitudes, experiences and beliefs, for example, a person who is non-judgmental, calm, resilient and demonstrates a high degree of integrity and respect for confidentiality;
- role within the College, for example, a person who has seniority and experience working with complex student and family issues at the College and someone who is readily accessible and available to all members of the College community; and
- profile within the College, for example, a person who is approachable, who students and staff trust and who is willing and able to respond to issues personally and sensitively.

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 Protection Officers are your first point of contact. They receive special training that allows them to deal with child protection concerns both sensitively and effectively.

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 Protection Officer. Please note that only raising concerns with the College's Child Protection 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.

The following Child Safety Officers can be contacted through the College on 5662 4255

- John Ryan - Deputy Principal Catholic Identity and Mission, and Wellbeing
- John Ryan - Child Safety Officer
- Bron Croatto - Senior School Director
- Cade Maskell - Senior School Wellbeing Coordinator
- Meg Steenholdt - Director of Student Performance and Pedagogy
- Gerard Gordon - Middle School Director
- Richard Ogilvie - Middle School Wellbeing Coordinator
- Chris Spencer - Junior School Director
- Georgia Townley - Junior School Wellbeing Coordinator
- Claire Cassidy - Transition Coordinator
- Rhiannon Le Busque - College Counsellor
- Laura Muranty - Teacher and Year 8 Homeroom Teacher
- Stephen Ross Bryant - Teacher and Year 10 Homeroom Teacher

- Jenny Damon - Compliance Officer

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