DRUG EDUCATION POLICY

Rationale:
The use of drugs including alcohol, tobacco, illicit and pharmaceutical drugs is common in our society. Our students may be exposed to drug-related issues at home, school and in the wider community. Eaglehawk North Primary School is committed to providing a safe and supportive environment where students are given appropriate skills and knowledge to minimise drug-related harm.

Purpose:
1. To provide a planned and consistent drug education program within the Eaglehawk North Primary School curriculum.

2. To establish principles of harm minimisation in dealing with drug issues.

Guidelines for Implementation:

1. Drug Education will be a key component of Integrated Units from Prep to Grade 6, as well as a formal drug education unit in grade 5.

2. The school will provide ongoing and relevant professional development for staff so that they feel confident in implementing these procedures.

3. Guidelines for dealing with drug-related incidents will be established within the context of the Student Code of Conduct.

4. Curriculum programs will include activities promoting the School Values program, cooperation, self-discipline and self-esteem throughout the school.

5. The school will work collaboratively with members of the wider school community.

6. Links with community Support Services will be maintained and utilised.

7. Responsibility for administering and recording first aid and medication will be given to qualified staff.

8. Clear guidelines for the management, recording and administering of first aid and medication are detailed within the Medication Administration Policy.

9. The Welfare Committee will be provided with a Resource Budget.

Resources:
- Eaglehawk North Drug Education Strategy Plan. ENPS Drug Education Plan 2010
- Drugs, Legal, Issues, Schools.
- Get Real
- Get Wise
- Making a Difference, N.S.W.