

Respect

We show respect by speaking and acting with courtesy. We treat others with dignity and follow the rules of our family, school and community. Respect yourself, and others will respect you.

At Port Noarlunga Primary School this means that we:

- Use our manners.
 - Speaking politely. Our manners include using “please”, “thank you” and “excuse me”.
 - Making eye contact.
 - Letting people finish what they are saying without interrupting.
 - Using good phone manners.
- Look after ourselves and our property, as well as other people and their property. We don't litter, graffiti or vandalise property.
- Listen to, and are considerate of, what other people have to say. This is with one other person, to the whole class or to the whole school.
- Take care of other people by helping them out and not bullying them.
- Are patient with other people and understand that not everyone is good at the same things. People take different times to learn things and learn in different ways.
- Follow our school and class rules. All students have the right to learn and all teachers and staff have the right to teach and do their jobs.
- Are assertive but not aggressive.
 - Saying what we need and think firmly, politely and clearly.

Responsibility

Being responsible means others can trust you to do things with excellence. You accept accountability for your actions. When you make a mistake, you offer amends instead of excuses. Responsibility is the ability to respond ably and to make smart choices.

At Port Noarlunga Primary School this means that we:

- Look after ourselves and our property, as well as other people and their property
- Take our education seriously
 - Completing our school work on time
 - Following every teachers' instructions
 - Arriving punctually to school and lessons
 - Being organised for lessons (i.e. having the correct equipment for each lesson – having a hat for P.E., returning readers and library books in a timely fashion)
 - Behaving appropriately in a safe way which respects everyone's rights.
- Accept the consequences of our actions, whether they are good or bad.
- Do what needs to be done without being told to do so or waiting for someone else to do it. For example, if we see litter on the ground we put it in a bin, even if it isn't ours.
- We clean up after ourselves. We also help others clean or pack up, even if we weren't responsible for that activity.

Independence

Independence is freedom from the control of others. It involves making your own decisions and taking responsibility for those decisions. To be independent in your daily life you need to look after yourself and your property.

At Port Noarlunga Primary School this means that we:

- Learn to do things for ourselves.
 - We accept help when it is needed but not for something that we can do for ourselves.
- Have a go!
- Take care of ourselves and our property.
 - We bring our recess, lunch and healthy snack to school.
 - We put our lunch orders in on time.
 - We bring our diary/communication book to and from school each day.
- Think for ourselves and ask for help when it is needed.
- Are responsible for our actions.
 - We own up when we have made a mistake.
 - We celebrate and appreciate when we and others have done well and been successful.

Please see your child's class teacher for more explicit information as to how each of our values is demonstrated and applied within their classroom.

Caring

Caring is giving love and attention to people and things that matter to you. When you care about people, you help them. You do a careful job, giving your very best effort. You treat people and things gently and respectfully. Caring makes the world a safer place.

At Port Noarlunga Primary School this means that we:

- Are kind to other people.
- Consider other people's feelings.
- Help others.
- Keep ourselves and others safe.
- Care for our own bodies by having good hygiene and nutrition.
- Share.
- Look after ourselves, others and our school.
- Look after the environment.
 - We are environmentally friendly.
 - We reuse and recycle and don't waste resources.
 - We put our rubbish in the bin and help others to clean up.



Honesty

Honesty is being truthful and sincere. It is important because it builds trust. When people are honest, they can be relied on not to lie, cheat or steal. Being honest means that you accept yourself as you are. When you are open and trustworthy, others can believe in you.

At Port Noarlunga Primary School this means that we:

- Tell the truth.
- Always do the very best that we can do.
- Take responsibility for our actions.
- Return things we find to their owner or hand what we have found to a teacher.



Port Noarlunga Primary School Values

Respect
Responsibility
Independence
Caring
Honesty



At Port Noarlunga Primary School we aim to live according to our school values every day. They are very important to us in all that we do. We are always trying to be the very best that we can be and we use our values to help us to make the right decisions about how we work and play each day.

This booklet outlines what we mean by each of our values, and how we demonstrate them at school.

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