#### **NSW Department of Education**



## Kanahooka High School Behaviour Support and Management Plan

#### Overview

Kanahooka High School is committed to explicitly teaching and modelling positive behaviour and to supporting all students to be engaged in their learning.

Our goal is to inspire every child to participate positively in society. We focus on promoting respect, integrity, success and empathy for every student, every day. We value and strive to develop safe, respectful learners in a caring learning community.

The principles of positive behaviour support, trauma-informed practice, inclusive practice, and social emotional learning underpin our daily practice. High expectations for student behaviour are established and maintained through effective role modelling, explicit teaching, and planned responses.

Our processes are founded on the idea that students must learn to take responsibility for their own actions and to ensure all staff respond to these challenges consistently to support students to acknowledge harm and learn from their behaviour.

To achieve our mission, key approaches and programs prioritised and valued by the school community are:

- Restorative Practice
- Whole School Recognition Program
- Peer Support
- Teen Mental Health First Aid
- Clontarf
- Creating Chances

These programs prioritise social and emotional learning which supports good mental health, positive relationships and supports prevention of bullying.

Restorative practice is a whole school teaching and learning approach that encourages behaviour that is supportive and respectful. A restorative approach focuses on building, maintaining and restoring positive relationships, particularly when incidents that involve interpersonal conflict or wrongdoing occur.

#### Partnership with parents and carers

Kanahooka High School will partner with families in establishing expectations for parent engagement in developing and implementing student behaviour management strategies, including for bullying behaviour by:

- inviting families and student feedback through formal and informal means, for example, through Tell Them From Me Surveys, school surveys, consulting with the school's P & C Association and local AECG
- using concerns raised through complaints procedures to review school systems, data and practices.

• developing and implementing student behaviour management strategies in line with the School Community Charter.

Kanahooka High School will communicate these expectations to parents/carers through the school newsletter, website and provide links to information and resources in the Behaviour support toolkit.

#### School-wide expectations and rules

Kanahooka High School has the following school-wide expectations and rules in all settings:

Respect	Integrity	Success	Empathy
Treat yourself and others with kindness and care	Treat everyone fairly	Make the most of every learning opportunity	Listen actively
Maintain positive and respectful relationships	Communicate openly and honestly	Strive to achieve your best	Show kindness and care
Cooperate with others	Be accountable for your actions	Attend each lesson prepared to learn	Offer help and support
Be inclusive of the abilities, beliefs and interests of others	Be reliable and honest	Collaborate and value other's contributions	Be considerate of others' feelings

#### Behaviour code for students

NSW public schools are committed to providing safe, supportive and responsive learning environments for everyone. We teach and model the behaviours we value in our students.

The Behaviour Code for Students can be found at <a href="https://education.nsw.gov.au/policy-library/policyprocedures/pd-2006-0316/pd-2006-0316-01">https://education.nsw.gov.au/policy-library/policyprocedures/pd-2006-0316/pd-2006-0316-01</a>. This document translated into multiple languages is available here: <a href="mailto:Behaviour code">Behaviour code for students (nsw.gov.au)</a>

#### Whole school approach across the care continuum

Our school embeds student wellbeing and positive behaviour approaches and strategies across the care continuum and responds to behaviours of concern, including bullying and cyberbullying behaviour. Behaviours that do not constitute bullying include mutual disagreements or isolated incidents.

These approaches and strategies are built on a foundation of evidence-based effective classroom practices that set the tone for engagement with learning and respectful relationships. These practices include:

- explicitly teaching classroom expectations
- establishing predictable routines and procedures that are communicated clearly to students
- encouraging expected behaviour with positive feedback and reinforcement
- discouraging inappropriate behaviour
- actively supervising students
- maximising opportunities for active engagement with learning
- providing carefully sequenced engaging lessons that provide options for student choice
- differentiating learning content and tasks to meet the needs of all learners.



At Kanahooka High School, we implement whole-school practices and programs to support the long-term learning, well-being, and safety of all students. Our approach is guided by the care continuum, which encompasses strategies to promote positive behaviour and provide tailored support at every level.

## REVENTION

# **TERVENTION**

# INDIVIDUAL

## Creating a foundation for wellbeing, reducing risk factors, and promoting healthy behaviours include, but not limited to:

- School values & behavioural expectations to support a positive school environment
- Respectful and safe relationships
- Mental health awareness and proactive support
- Peer support and leadership opportunities for student growth
- Family engagement and communication
- · Celebration of success and positive behaviours
- Support for cultural and community inclusion

### Identifying students at risk and providing support before issues escalate include, but not limited to:

- Visual displays of behaviour expectations to support a positive school environment
- Academic assistance and study support
- Wellbeing focused programs for specific student groups.
- Personalised learning support and differentiated teaching and learning.
- · Mental health training for students and staff
- Youth development initiatives for at-risk students
- Engaging with parents/carers for students facing challenges and if applicable, liaising with external services.

## Addressing specific issues for students needing more focused support include, but not limited to:

- Self-regulation support and emotional wellbeing
- Resilience development & emotional regulation programs.
- Mentoring and leadership opportunities
- Personalised psychological and health support
- · Monitoring behaviour and academic engagement
- Access requests for additional support and alternate educational settings

#### Tailored, intensive support for students with complex needs include, but not limited to:

- Behaviour management support and risk management plans
- Development of individualised learning plans
- Team-based support with external agencies
- Attendance tracking and addressing barriers to participation
- Engaging the Team Around a School to further support student, learning, wellbeing & behaviour.

For a detailed breakdown of the strategies and programs implemented at KHS across the care continuum, please follow this <u>link</u>.

## Planned responses to positive appropriate behaviour, inappropriate behaviour and behaviours of concern, including bullying and cyber-bullying

Planned responses to behaviour that does not meet school expectations are either teacher or executive managed. Staff use their professional judgement in deciding whether a behaviour is teacher managed or executive managed. They should consider whether the behaviour poses a risk to the safety or wellbeing of the student or others.

A behaviour of concern is challenging, complex or unsafe behaviour that requires more persistent and intensive interventions. A behaviour of concern does not include low-level inappropriate or developmentally appropriate behaviour.

- Prevention (whole school) Responses to recognise and reinforce positive, inclusive and safe behaviour
- Early intervention (Classroom Teacher) Teacher manages minor classroom behaviours including partial and full truancy
- Targeted intervention (Classroom Teacher / Executive) Teacher-Executive collaboration to minimise escalating behaviours of concern. This occurs when the CRT has attempted interventions that have not been successful
- Individual intervention (Executive / Senior Executive) This may include developing, implementing, monitoring and reviewing behaviour support, behaviour response and risk management plans.
- Individual intervention (Senior Executive / Principal) Responses to behaviours of serious concern requiring immediate/long term intervention.

#### Interventions by teachers may include:

- re-direct, offer choice or error correction, prompts
- reteach
- seat change/play or playground re-direction
- detention, reflection and restorative practices
- communication with parent/carer

#### Responses to serious behaviours of concern

Responses for serious behaviours of concern, including students who display bullying behaviour, are recorded on Behaviour / wellbeing ITD system. These may include:

- review and document incident
- determine appropriate response/s, including supports for staff or other students impacted
- refer/monitor the student through the school learning and support team
- develop or review individual student support planning, including teaching positive replacement behaviour and making learning and environmental adjustments
- detention, reflection and restorative practices (listed below)
- liaise with Team Around a School for additional support or advice
- communication and collaboration with parents/carers (phone, email, parent portal, meeting)
- formal caution to suspend, suspension or expulsion.

The NSW Department of Education <u>Student Behaviour policy</u> and <u>Suspension and expulsion</u> procedures apply to all NSW public schools.

Kanahooka High School uses the Planned Approached to Student Behaviour to explicitly teach, recognise and reinforce positive student behaviour and behavioural expectations:



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Planned Responses to Student Behaviour

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**Early Intervention** 

Behaviours of concern\* could

· Isolated lateness to class / truancy

· Minor misuse of computers /

· Praise positive effort, good work

· Redirect with specific corrective

· Meeting with student/goal setting

Debrief and Breaktime Reflection

\*\*For mobile phone breach refer to Mobile

· Use of SLPs and appropriate

· Address behaviours with student

· Inform HT and liaise regarding

issue not resolved at Step 1 Level

appropriate interventions and

and/or appropriate behaviour

feedback or offer re do

· Prompts (verbal/non-verbal)

· Seat change / seating plan

· LaST / Wellbeing Referral

After School Detention

Phone Policy and Procedures.

Responsibilities:

students

· Parent contact · Document on Sentral

progress

· Disrespectful behaviour

follow

teachers

#### STEP ONE CLASSROOM TEACHER

truancy.

include:

Interrupting

environment

Failure to

instructions

Peer conflict

technology

Interventions:

Offer choice

Parent contact

Mobile phone use\*\*

#### Prevention

- · Teacher establishes expectations at the start of the lesson
- School RISE Values are routinely reinforced and referred to
- Teacher models behaviours and provides opportunities for practice
- · High expectations are modelled
- Staff acknowledgement of students meeting school-wide expectations and RISE Values
- Use of SLPs and appropriate student differentiation
- · High quality teaching and learning programs
- to engage students · Celebrating success
- regularly
- · Student voice and choice in the classroom
- · Faculty and Whole
- School Recognition Restorative language used frequently in the classroom and playground
- Positive parent contact (phone call/SMS)

#### CLASSROOM TEACHER EXECUTIVE

#### Targeted Intervention

Teacher manages minor classroom Teacher-Executive collaboration to minimise behaviours including partial and full escalating behaviours of concern. This occurs when the CRT has attempted interventions that have not been successful.

#### Behaviours of concern could include:

- · Repeatedly interrupting the learning
- · Failure to follow teachers instructions · Regular lateness to class and truancy
- · Continued disrespectful behaviour
- · Ongoing peer conflict
- · Continued misuse of computers / technology
  - · Failure to surrender mobile phone\*\*

#### Interventions

- · Head Teacher Interview
- · Meeting with student/goal setting
- · Debrief and Breaktime Reflection
- Parent contact
- · Faculty Monitoring Card to support student
- · Referrals made (for example Wellbeing Team, LaST, SSO, School Counsellor)
- · Engagement in Programs offered at School (i.e. Top Blokes)
- · After School Detention
- · Formal Caution to Suspend
- Responsibilities . Support CRT with implementation of SLP's
- and differentiation for all students Support CRT with interventions and inform them of support provided
- · Interview and address behaviours with
- student · Gather witness statements if required
- student differentiation to support all Parent contact
  - · Document on Sentral and monitor progress
    - with both CRT and student

Failure to successfully complete Monitoring Card could result in student being referred to the DP

Refer to faculty Head Teacher if Refer to Deputy Principal if issue not resolved at Step 2 Level



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#### STEP THREE **EXECUTIVE** → **SENIOR EXECUTIVE**

#### STEP FOUR SENIOR EXECUTIVE → PRINCIPAL

#### **Individual Intervention:**

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#### Behaviours of serious concern could include:

- · Repeatedly interrupting the learning environment
- . Failure to follow CRT and HT instructions
- · Regular truancy / Off school premises / absconding
- · Continued disrespectful behaviour
- Verbal abuse
- · Dangerous behaviour
- · Continued misuse of computers / technology
- · Repeated breach of Mobile Phone Policy\*\*
- · Bullying and cyberbullying

#### Interventions:

- · Interview and address behaviours with student
- · Gather witness statements if required
- · Parent contact / meeting
- · Monitoring Card
- · Withdrawal from the playground
- · Referrals made (for example Wellbeing Team, LaST, SSO, School Counsellor)
- · Engagement in Programs offered at School (i.e. Top
- Blokes)
- · Debrief and Breaktime Reflection
- · Review or implement Risk Management Plans / Behaviour Support Plans / Behaviour Management Plans / Student Education Plans
- Formal Caution to Suspend
- · Recommend Suspension to Principal where appropriate

#### Responsibilities:

- · Address behaviours with student
- · Parent contact / meeting
- . Communicate information / outcome with relevant staff
- Support HTs with interventions
- Document on Sentral and monitor

Responses to behaviours of serious concern requiring immediate/long term intervention.

#### Behaviours of serious concern could include:

- · Continued/persistent disobedience and/or disruptive behaviour
- · Poses an unacceptable risk to others or to teaching and learning
- · Malicious damage to or theft of property
- Verbal abuse
- · Bullying and cyberbullying
- · Misuse of technology
- Discrimination

DOE Suspension and Expulsion Policy is followed at all

#### Interventions:

- · Address behaviours with student and parent
- · Review or implement Risk Management Plans / Behaviour Support Plans / Behaviour Management Plans / Student Education Plans
- · Referrals made to Wellbeing Team LaST / Counsellor
- Reflection and restorative practices
- Suspension
- Suspension Resolution Meeting
- · Monitoring and support on return from suspension, including any restorative processes required

#### Responsibilities:

- · Address behaviours with student
- Parent contact
- Communicate the outcome with relevant staff · Referals where appropriate · Document on Sentral and monitor

Refer to Principal if issue not resolved at Step 3 Level

<sup>\*</sup>Some behaviours of concern may be escalated straight to DP and/or Principal Level

#### Responses to all behaviours of concern apply to student behaviour that occurs:

- at school
- on the way to and from school
- on school-endorsed activities that are off-site
- outside school hours and off school premises where there is a clear and close connection between the school manner and students' conduct
- when using social media, mobile devices and/or other technology involving another student or staff member, where there is a clear and close connection between the school and students' conduct.

Students or parents can report bullying to any staff member. NSW public school principals have the authority to take disciplinary action to address student behaviours that occur outside of school hours or school grounds, including cyberbullying. Students who have been bullied will be offered appropriate support, for example through their year advisor or school counselling service.

#### Reporting and recording behaviours of concern

Staff will comply with reporting and responding processes outlined in the <u>Incident Notification and Response Procedures</u>; <u>Student Behaviour policy</u> and <u>Suspension and expulsion procedures</u>

Students and/or parents/carers can report cyberbullying to the <u>eSafety Commissioner</u> and reporting links for most sites, games and apps can be found at the <u>eSafety Guide</u>.

#### Detention, reflection and restorative practices

Toilet and food breaks are always included when students are withdrawn from the playground as a planned response to behaviour. The maximum length of time will be appropriate to the age/developmental level of the student.

Strategy	When and how long?	Who coordinates?	How are these recorded?
<b>Debrief</b> – provides an opportunity for the student to reflect on their actions, understand the impact, and reset their behavior in the short term.	Debriefs to be completed by the classroom teacher at the point of need. Teacher discretion.  5min maximum.	Classroom Teacher	Sentral
Breaktime Reflection - a structured opportunity for students to address and adjust minor behavioral challenges exhibited during lessons. This process encourages students to reflect on their actions, understand the impact of their behaviors on others, and take accountability in a supportive and constructive.	Issued at a pre-arranged time. 15mins maximum. Students have 10 mins to use the restroom and eat.	Classroom Teacher	Sentral
Afternoon School Detention (ASD) - addresses repeated or significant breaches of the school's behavioural expectations. This is the most serious sanction a classroom teacher can impose.	Issued at a pre-arranged time. 30mins maximum Students have 10 mins to use the restroom and eat.	Classroom Teacher / Head Teacher	Sentral

#### **Detention, Reflection and Restorative Practice Procedures**

#### **Review dates**

Last review date: [4/12/2024: Term 4, 2024] Next review date: [4/07/2025: Term 2, 2025]

#### **Bullying Response Flowchart**

The following flowchart explains the actions Kanahooka High School staff will take when they receive a report about student bullying, including bullying which may have occurred online or outside of the school setting. The timeframes will vary depending on the professional judgment of staff who receive the bullying complaint and their assessment of immediate risk to student/s.



Report

Bullying

## Kanahooka High School

#### **Bullying Response Flowchart**

#### Step 1: Report Bullying

Goal: Ensure all bullying concerns are acknowledged and addressed promptly.

- Students, parents/caregivers, or staff report incidents through:
  - Direct verbal communication with a staff member.
  - Written forms (incident report)
- Provide a safe, private environment to discuss the issue without labelling anyone involved as a "bully" or "victim
- Assure all individuals that their concerns will be treated seriously

Staff Responsibility: Acknowledge the report, prioritise safety, and begin initial documentation.

#### **Information** Gathering

#### **Step 2: Information Gathering**

Goal: Establish an accurate and unbiased understanding of the incident.

- Staff collect details from all parties (students involved, witnesses, and parens/caregivers).
- Assess the behaviour to determine if it meets the **DoE's definition of bullying** (intentional. repeated, power imbalance).
- Document findings in Sentral while maintaining confidentiality and objectivity.

Staff Responsibility: Ensure all voices are heard and ensure procedural fairness during the investigation.

#### **Immediate Support &** Safety

#### Step 3: Immediate Support and Safety Measures

Goal: Protect and support all individuals involved while addressing the incident.

- Provide the target with emotional support, reassurance, and safety strategies (e.g., a trusted adult to check in, adjustments to seating or supervision).
- Engage with the student responsible for bullying to identify underlying issues and hold them accountable for their actions.
- Inform parents/caregivers of all parties and involve them in developing immediate action plans. Staff Responsibility: Implement safety measures and ensure a clear plan is communicated to all stakeholders.

#### Intervention and Response

#### Step 4: Intervention and Restorative Practices

Goal: Address the bullying behavior and repair harm.

- Refer incident of bullyiing to Wellbeing Team (HT Wellbeing, SSO, Year Advisers) for
- restorative practices (e.g., mediation) to rebuild trust and relationships where appropriate. Discuss behaviours with HT or Deputy Principal and apply appropriate consequences in line with the school's behaviour management policy, focusing on education and accountability.
- Promote understanding of the impact of bullying on individuals and the school community.
- Contact parent/carer to communicate further follow-up and discuss options for internal / external referrals

Staff Responsibility: Facilitate interventions that align with DoE policies and are tailored to the context of the incident.

#### Referral to Services

#### Step 5: Referral to Services (If Needed)

Goal: Access additional support to address complex needs.

- Refer student to wellbeing team if further referrals are required.
- Wellbeing team will refer students to internal supports such as school counsellors, SSO, WHiN Nurse or external services (e.g., headspace etc).
- Wellbeing team will make recommendations/referrals to programs like Managing the Bull or RAGE to promoted resilience-building, empathy, emotional control and self-regulation.

Staff Responsibility: Collaborate with specialists and communicate referrals to parents/caregivers to ensure wraparound support.

#### Monitor, **Review & Follow Up**

#### Step 6: Monitor, Review, and Follow Up

Goal: Ensure interventions are effective and relationships are restored.

- Regularly follow up with the target and their family to monitor emotional and physical safety.
- Check in with the student responsible for bullying to ensure behaviour changes are sustained.
- Document all aspects of support & follow up on Sentral and track trends / progress to inform future prevention strategies.
- Evaluate the school's response periodically to ensure alignment with DoE policies.

Staff Responsibility: Lead ongoing communication with students, staff, and families to build a safe and inclusive school culture.