Child Safe Standards Risk Register

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Child Safe Standard	1 – Aboriginal cultural safety	1				
Risk Title: Culturally safe environments Description: There is a risk that the school fails to establish a culturally safe environment in which the diverse and unique identities and experiences of Aboriginal children and students are respected and valued Risk type: Situational, Organisational	 ✓ Racism, discrimination and bullying not adequately managed and addressed ✓ Ignorance/lack of awareness ✓ Curriculum that doesn't include Aboriginal Australians ✓ An unwelcoming environment for Aboriginal students ✓ Policy development and review is not consultative 	 ✓ Aboriginal students are less likely to trust school staff which may result in them being less likely to report abuse by adults or peers, and make them more vulnerable to harm ✓ Aboriginal students do not feel welcome, safe, respected or valued for their diverse and unique identifies which may result in them being less likely to report abuse by adults or peers and make them more vulnerable to harm ✓ Physical and psychological harm as a result of child abuse 	Initiative (CUST) CUST training for staff. CUST resources NAIDOC Week Reconciliation Week National Sorry Day	Yes	1.1 A child's ability to express their culture and enjoy their cultural rights is encouraged and actively supported. 1.2 Strategies are embedded within the organisation which equip all members to acknowledge and appreciate the strengths of Aboriginal culture and understand its importance to the wellbeing and safety of Aboriginal children and young people. − CUST training, inclusion in curriculum, celebration of NAIDOC week, reconciliation week, national sorry day. 1.3 Measures are adopted by the organisation to ensure racism within the organisation is identified, confronted and not tolerated. Any instances of racism are addressed with appropriate consequences.(all staff) 1.4 The organisation actively supports and facilitates participation and inclusion within it by Aboriginal children, young people and their families.(Assistant Principal, KESO, Indigenous students/families) 1.5 All of the organisation's policies, procedures, systems and processes together create a culturally safe and inclusive environment and meet the needs of Aboriginal children, young people and their families. Items 1.1-1.5 are from The 11 Child Safe Standards ✓ Indigenous communities acknowledged: flags, CUST, welcome to country (womenjeka on website, stickers/posters)	
Child Safe Standard 2	2 – School leadership, gover	nance and culture				
Risk Title: Leadership, governance and culture Description:	 ✓ Child safety is not prioritised ✓ Decision-making power concentrated in one individual ✓ Unclear accountabilities 	✓ Increased risk of child abuse occurring, remaining undetected and not being responded to appropriately because the school does not have a culture of child	✓ The MGSC Child Safety and Wellbeing Policy outlines the controls in place to ensure a child safe culture is embedded across the school and is implemented	Yes	 ✓ Protect posters are also included on the TV's located around the school. (Principal) ✓ Inclusion in the Student Planner (Assistant Principal) 	Term 3.

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There is a risk that child safety and wellbeing is not embedded in the school's leadership, governance and culture Risk type: Organisational, Propensity	 ✓ Staff and volunteers are unaware of the school's expectations relating to their conduct and role in supporting child safety and wellbeing ✓ Culture of secret keeping ✓ Poor management of conflicts of interest ✓ Lack of leadership on child safety ✓ Poor understanding of the foreseeable risks relating to child abuse ✓ Poor understanding of recordkeeping and information management ✓ Poor child safety messaging 	safety and reporting of child safety incidents or concerns ✓ Increased risk of child abuse occurring, remaining undetected and not being responded to appropriately because staff and volunteer roles and responsibilities are not clear ✓ Poor practices and understanding of information sharing obligations may result in staff or volunteers not sharing important information to reduce the risk of child abuse or conversely, sharing sensitive information inappropriately contributing to further harm. ✓ Poor records and record-keeping practice can contribute to delays or failures to identify and respond to child safety risks and incidents and can obstruct survivors seeking information about their time at our school. It can also compromise the school's ability to monitor for systemic issues that required changes to policy, procedure or practice. ✓ Physical and psychological harm as a result of child abuse	and Code of Conduct are publicly available and promoted in the school community ✓ This risk register is reviewed annually and after any significant child safety incident or concern ✓ The MGSC Volunteers Policy supports volunteers to understand their obligations on information sharing and recordkeeping ✓ PROTECT posters and the Four Critical Actions are displayed around the school in prominent		Wellbeing team (and then all staff) attend once a year Protect training (MHP and Director of Staff Development)
Child Safe Standard	3 – Children are safe, inform	ed and actively participate	induction, training and support from loadership.		
Risk Title: Student empowerment Description: There is a risk that students will not be empowered about their rights, participate in decisions affecting them or be taken seriously Risk type: Vulnerability	 ✓ Students don't know how to make a complaint or raise a concern or don't feel confident that they will be listened to ✓ Students don't understand their rights ✓ Student input in decision making is not supported or valued ✓ Student contributions or concerns are not taken seriously ✓ Students are not offered sexual abuse prevention education ✓ Students are coerced or silenced by adults at the school Lack of friendship or peer support 	 ✓ Abuse is more likely to happen if students do not feel supported to participate in decisions that affect them and do not feel like they will be listened to. ✓ Failure to empower students with information about their rights, child safety risks, and sexual abuse prevention will increase the risk of abuse going unidentified and unspoken ✓ If students do not feel confident or empowered to raise a concern, they will be unwilling to report abuse ✓ Lack of friendship or peer support may increase vulnerability to abuse ✓ Lack of friendship or peer support 	outlines the controls in place to support child and student empowerment and is implemented ✓ The MGSC Complaints Policy details how students can raise complaints and concerns and is promoted widely to parents and students ✓ The MGSC Student Wellbeing and Engagement Policy outlines the controls in place to ensure student wellbeing is supported and prioritised ✓ Students are provided with age-appropriate sexual abuse prevention programs and relevant related information through Resilience, Rights and Respectful Relationships teaching and learning materials ✓ Students are educated about their rights through	Yes	 ✓ Respectful Relationships Training completed in 2022. Implementation for 2023. ✓ Student programs coordinated each year level, every year (MHP and subschools)

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	and communities	 ✓ Families cannot help students identify abuse ✓ Families do not support students who want to make a complaint ✓ If families lack awareness about child safety including risks of child abuse, children may be more vulnerable to being groomed by perpetrators seeking to obtain their trust. ✓ Physical and psychological harm as a result of child abuse 			community about its child safe approach and relevant information is accessible. 4.3 Families and communities have a say in the development and review of the organisation's policies and practices. 4.4 Families, carers and the community are informed about the organisation's operations and governance. Items 4.1-4.4 are from The 11 Child Safe Standards	
	5 - Equity and diverse needs					lagge
Risk Title: Diversity and equity Description: There is a risk that equity is not effectively upheld, and diverse needs are not respected in policy and practice Risk type: Vulnerability	 ✓ Diverse cohorts have not been identified for targeted support (such as students with disability, students who identify as lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender, intersex and queer (LGBTIQ+), students in out of home care, international students and students who are culturally and linguistically diverse) ✓ Diverse cohorts not supported adequately ✓ Diverse cohorts feel unwelcome ✓ Lack of staff training on diversity and supporting and responding to vulnerable students ✓ Lack of respectful culture 	a child's vulnerability to abuse and harm and can also mean they are less likely to ask for help or speak up if they have a concern ✓ Physical and psychological harm as a result of child abuse	The MGSC Student Wellbeing and Engagement Policy outlines how the school pays particular attention to the needs of students with disability, students from culturally and linguistically diverse	Yes	 ✓ Respectful Relationships Training completed in 2022. Implementation for 2023. ✓ Student Voice and Agency processes ✓ Student wellbeing provision ✓ Liaison with community agencies/professionals ✓ Student Support / IEP ✓ Learning support staff 	2023

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	6 - Suitable staff and volunt		L T. M000 0171 2 C			
Risk Title: Suitable staff (including contractors engaged by the school in child-related work) Description: There is a risk that staff are not suitable to work with children or effectively supported to uphold child safety and wellbeing values in practice Risk type: Organisational, Propensity	 ✓ Poor recruitment and preemployment screening processes ✓ Provision of false information during recruitment ✓ Poor management of conflicts of interest ✓ Insufficient induction on commencement of working at school ✓ Inappropriate behaviour by other adults is not called out due to lack of empowerment or awareness of behaviours of concern ✓ Insufficient promotion of the school's commitment to child safety ✓ Lack of child safety culture ✓ Insufficient supervision ✓ Performance management does not focus on or address concerns relating to child safety and wellbeing 	 ✓ Insufficient promotion of the school's commitment to child safety during recruitment processes may fail to deter potential predators from seeking employment ✓ History and behaviours of concern relating to suitability to work with children are not identified resulting in increased risk of child abuse ✓ Conflicts of interests in recruiting staff may increase the risk of other staff not reporting concerns relating to staff conduct, and where concerns are reported or identified, increased risk of them not being responded to in an objective manner with the focus on child safety and wellbeing. ✓ Insufficient induction results in the increased risk that staff fail to identify child safety risks and signs of harm and are unable to respond appropriately when they do identify risks of harm or when a complaint or concerns is disclosed to them. ✓ Insufficient supervision and performance management results in increased risk of child abuse and harm to students ✓ Staff do not understand their role and responsibilities in promoting and supporting child safety resulting in increased risk of harm ✓ Physical and psychological harm as a result of child abuse 	 ✓ The MGSC Child Safety and Wellbeing Policy outlines the controls in place: for child safe recruitment and screening practices for staff. to ensure staff are provided with an appropriate induction in the school's child safety policies and practices. to ensure ongoing supervision and management of staff is focused on child safety and wellbeing ✓ All actions and strategies outlined in the MGSC Child Safety and Wellbeing Policy are implemented Contractors and volunteers must have a WWCC or VIT in order to work with students. ✓ The WWCC Register and the VIT register are kept up to date. 	Yes	 6.1 Recruitment, including advertising, referee checks and staff and volunteer preemployment screening, emphasise child safety and wellbeing. 6.2 Relevant staff and volunteers have current working with children checks or equivalent background checks. 6.3 All staff and volunteers receive an appropriate induction and are aware of their responsibilities to children and young people, including record keeping, information sharing and reporting obligations. 6.4 Ongoing supervision and people management is focused on child safety and wellbeing. Items 6.1-6.4 are from The 11 Child Safe Standards 	
Risk Title: Suitable Volunteers	✓ Screening processes lack sufficient strength to reveal	✓ Insufficient promotion of the school's commitment to child safety may fail to	▼ The MGSC Volunteer Policy outlines the controls in place to ensure volunteers are suitable to work	Yes		
Description: There is a risk that volunteers are not suitable to work with children or effectively supported to uphold child safety and wellbeing values in practice	histories and behaviours of concern ✓ Systems, processes, policies and culture do not demonstrate sufficient strength and transparency to deter potential perpetrators from attempting predatory behaviours	deter potential predators from volunteering at the school ✓ History and behaviours of concern relating to suitability to work with children are not identified resulting in increased risk of child abuse ✓ Insufficient induction results in the increased risk that volunteers do not	with children including screening, induction, and ongoing management and supervision ✓ Volunteers may be engaged to assist with supervision of students on excursions, class activities, camps and similar events; ✓ School Council or Parents and Friends Committee must have a WWCC.			

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Risk type: Organisational, Propensity	 ✓ Conflict of interest ✓ Lack of child safety culture ✓ Insufficient induction and training ✓ Insufficient supervision 	understand their role and responsibilities in promoting and supporting child safety resulting in increased risk of harm. ✓ Insufficient supervision results in increased risk of child abuse and harm to students ✓ Inadequate steps to address concerning behaviour may result in increased risk of harm (for example removing volunteer from duties or otherwise ensuring the volunteer does not demonstrate further behaviours of concern) ✓ Physical and psychological harm as a result of child abuse	 ✓ In addition, depending on the nature of the volunteer work, our school may ask the volunteer to provide other suitability checks at its discretion (for example, references, work history involving children and/or qualifications). Proof of identity may also be required in some circumstances. ✓ Volunteers that are working with children or that may have access to students in unsupervised or high-risk settings will always be supervised by a member of school staff ✓ Volunteer behaviour that is inconsistent with the school's child safety and wellbeing policies and practices will be addressed by school staff swiftly and with a focus on child safety and wellbeing. 			
	7 – complaints processes					
Risk Title: Complaints processes Description: There is a risk that processes for complaints and concerns are not child focused Risk type: Organisational, Vulnerability	 ✓ Students and parents/carers are uncertain about how to raise a complaint or concern because information is not accessible or easily understood ✓ Processes do not support students, parents and carers to make complaints or raise concerns ✓ Complaints processes or responsible staff do not make students feel safe or supported to report ✓ Student input in decision making is not valued ✓ Student, parent and carer concerns/complaints are not taken seriously ✓ Inadequate response to complaints or concerns relating to child abuse 	 ✓ Failure to ensure there is accessible, culturally safe and easily understood information on how to raise a complaint or concern increases the risk of students, parents and carers not reporting behaviours of concern or abuse ✓ Students may be unwilling to report behaviours of concern or abuse if they feel they will not be taken seriously or if they do not feel safe to report ✓ Failure to have a clear process for responding to complaints and concerns about child abuse may result in inappropriate or insufficient action being taken resulting in continued or further harm to the child and other children ✓ Physical and psychological harm as a result of child abuse 	 ✓ The MGSC Complaints Policy outlines the controls in place to ensure students are provided with accessible, culturally safe and easily understood information on raising a complaint or concern ✓ The MGSC Child Safety Responding and Reporting Obligations Policy and Procedures outlines the procedures for responding to complaints or concerns relating to child abuse ✓ The MGSC Complaints Policy and Child Safety Responding and Reporting Obligations Policy and Procedures are publicly available on the school website ✓ The MGSC Complaints Policy and Child Safety Responding and Reporting Obligations Policy and Procedures are implemented by all relevant staff ✓ The MGSC Child Safety and Wellbeing Policy sets out all recordkeeping, privacy and information sharing obligations that must be met when responding to complaints and concerns. ✓ All complaints and concerns are managed in accordance with employment law obligations and our school seeks advice from Employee Conduct Branch and Legal Division when dealing with complaints and concerns relating to child abuse by a member/former member of staff or school council employee or contractor 	Yes		
	8 – Child safety knowledge,					
Risk Title: Knowledge, skills and awareness Description: There is a risk that staff and volunteers are not equipped with the knowledge, skills and awareness to keep children and students safe through ongoing education and training	 ✓ Child safety and wellbeing training not provided to staff and school council annually ✓ Child safety and wellbeing training is not refreshed or updated where policy, practice or law has changed ✓ Volunteers are not required to undertake child safety training that is appropriate to the nature of their role 	 ✓ Inability to identify child safety risks including inappropriate behaviour and signs of harm resulting in increased risk of failing to protect children from child abuse, and underreporting of child safety incidents to relevant staff and authorities ✓ Insufficient understanding about the school's child safety and wellbeing policies, practices, and obligations results in increased risk that they will not be appropriately implemented by staff and volunteers and an increased risk to 	 ✓ The MGSC Volunteers policy provides information on training for volunteers. ✓ Volunteers that are engaged to assist with 	Yes	 ✓ Staff training and information to recognise indicators of child harm ✓ Staff receive training and information to respond effectively to issues of child safety and wellbeing and support colleagues who disclose harm. ✓ Staff receive training and information on how to build culturally sae environments for children and young people 	

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Risk type: Organisational	 ✓ Training does not cover all necessary topics ✓ Training is poorly facilitated ✓ Also refer to Child Safe Standard 6 risks above 	students of child abuse occurring and of continuing to occur undetected. ✓ Physical and psychological harm as a result of child abuse	with child safety training that is appropriate to the activity and the volunteer's role.			
Child Safe Standard	9 - Physical and online envi	ronments				
Risk Title: School physical environment Description: There is a risk the school's child safety policies, procedures and practices do not adequately address and manage the risk of abuse and harm in the school's physical environment Risk type: Situational	✓ Areas of child safety risk in the school buildings or grounds are not identified and appropriately supervised or managed.	 ✓ There is an increased risk of child abuse occurring on school grounds or buildings if policies, procedures and practices fail to identify and manage areas of risk in the school's physical environment ✓ Physical and psychological harm as a result of child abuse 	 ✓ The MGSC Yard Duty and Supervision Policy outlines supervision processes and requirements with a focus on child safety ✓ The MGSC Yard duty staff are trained to actively patrol the school grounds, paying particular attention to secluded areas that have been identified as high risk including the Balcombe Road side of the Performing Arts Building, the front and rear carparks, the entrances to the school which are designated out of bounds on the school map. The school map can be located in the Student Planner and the Staff Organiser. ✓ MGSC policies, procedures and practices are in place to enable staff and volunteers to identify and mitigate risks in the physical school environment without compromising a child or student's right to privacy, access to information, social connections and learning opportunities, including the MGSC Child Safety and Wellbeing Policy and Child Safety Code of Conduct ✓ Students are advised that the Oval is out of bounds unless students are engaged in exercise or sporting activities. ✓ Students are not to be seated in the out-of-bounds areas of the Balcombe Road side of the Performing Arts Building, the front and rear carparks, the car park entrances, garden sheds and bus sheds ✓ The school map can be located in the Student Planner and the Staff Organiser. ✓ Students are required to go to the first Aid bathroom with another student during class time ✓ Toilets and changing rooms are located in a central area of the school and the entrance and exit has good visibility from other areas of the school ✓ CCTV are installed throughout the college 		✓ Staff identify and mitigate risks in the online and physical environments without compromising a child's right to privacy, access to information, social connections and learning opportunities.	
Risk Title: Online environment Description: There is a risk the school's child safety policies, procedures and practices do not adequately address and manage the risk of abuse and harm in the school's online environment	behaviours. ✓ Online safety measures fail to	occurring if policies, procedures and practices fail to identify and manage areas of risk in the school's online environment – particularly risks relating to grooming and further risk of abuse if the grooming goes undetected. ✓ Physical and psychological harm as a result of child abuse	 ✓ The MGSC Digital Learning Policy outlines the controls in place for online conduct and online safety and is implemented ✓ The MGSC Acceptable Use Agreements are in 	Yes		

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Risk type: Situational	(Calcadateff fail to identify and		Safety and Wellbeing Policy and Child Safety Code of Conduct ✓ MGSC Staff undertake a privacy impact assessment for apps and other platforms in use by the school which includes the risk of access to children or personal information by people external to the school. ✓ The MGSC online platform is Google Suite which is only accessible to staff and students within the college.			
Risk Title: Off-site school activities and use of third-party providers Description: There is a risk that the school's child safety policies, procedures and practices do not adequately address and manage the risk of abuse at school activities off-site and/or school activities involving third party providers.	manage risks of child abuse occurring during off-site school activities ✓ School staff fail to identify and manage risks of child abuse by third-party providers engaged by the school	 ✓ There is an increased risk of child abuse occurring if policies, procedures and practices fail to identify and manage areas of risk for off-site school activities and school activities that involve third party providers. ✓ Physical and psychological harm as a result of child abuse 	 ✓ MGSC complies with relevant policies with respect to the following activities, including policy relating to child safety and wellbeing: Excursions Work Experience Procurement Structured Workplace Learning Purchasing Secondary Courses and Vocational Training from External Providers ✓ For off-site school activities and school activities engaging a third-party provider, we identify and assess the risks of child abuse that are specific to that activity and ensure appropriate controls are in place. This includes activities such as: VET and TAFE provision. 	Yes		
Risk type: Situational, Organisational, Propensity, Vulnerability						
	10 - Review of child safety p	ractices		1	,	
Risk Title: Review and improvement Description: There is a risk that the implementation of the Child Safe Standards is not regularly reviewed and improved Risk type: Organisational	 ✓ Failure to regularly review child safety policies, procedures and practices (every 2 years) or following any significant child safety incident ✓ Failure to use analysis of complaints, concerns and safety incidents to inform possible improvements to child safety policies, procedures and practices ✓ Failure to inform families and communities of the outcome of reviews of child safety policies, procedures and practices 	 ✓ Child safety policy, procedures and practices may become out of date with any new laws or guidance on good practice, compromising the school's ability to protect students from child abuse and to respond appropriately to complaints and concerns. ✓ Child safety policy, procedures and practices may no longer meet the needs of the local school community compromising the school's ability to protect students from child abuse and to respond appropriately to complaints and concerns. ✓ Child safety policy, procedures and practices are not improved as a result of analysis of past complaints, concerns and safety incidents, reducing the school's ability to protect students from child abuse and to respond appropriately to complaints and concerns. ✓ Physical and psychological harm as a result of child abuse 	MGSC staff adhere to the child safety policies, procedures and practices which are regularly reviewed and improved, by: ✓ At MGSC we maintain a register of the school's policies relating to the child safe standards, including approvers and review cycles is used to support staff to maintain and update our policies ✓ At MGSC we review any child safety incidents and monitor for repeat issues or systemic failures, updating any child safety policy, procedure or practice where gaps or improvements are identified ✓ At MGSC we inform families through our school's newsletter when child safety and wellbeing policies are being reviewed and ensure they are invited to provide feedback	Yes	 ✓ Creation of a log of complaints and concerns to allow us to monitor areas for improvement in our child safety policies, procedures and practices. ✓ Regular review of child safety practices 	

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Child Safe Standard	11 - Implementation of child	safety practices		ioroi.		
Risk Title: Policies and procedures Description: There is a risk that policies and procedures do not effectively document how the organisation is safe for children and students and are not effectively implemented by staff and volunteers. Risk type: Organisational	community engagement	 ✓ If child safety policy and procedures fail to address all aspects of the Child Safe Standards it will result in gaps in protection of children and increased risk relating to child abuse ✓ If child safety policies and procedures are not effectively documented or are difficult to understand it may result in staff (particularly new staff) being unaware of their child safety obligations, roles and responsibilities increasing the risk of child abuse ✓ If child safety policies and procedures are not informed by best practice or family and community engagement it may result in compromised ability to protect children from child abuse. ✓ Failure to induct, train and support staff and relevant volunteers on implementation of child safety policies and procedures increases the risk of child abuse ✓ Physical and psychological harm as a result of child abuse 	supported to implement them ✓ MGSC school leaders champion and model our child safety policies, procedures and practices and address any performance concerns relating to staff conduct or implementation ✓ The MGSC Child Safety Champion regularly reviews PROTECT guidance and other relevant policies to ensure our own local child safety policies, procedures and practices are informed by best practice and updated where required. ✓ The MGSC Child Safety Champion (MHP) references the Four Critical Actions and shares this with staff.	Yes	 ✓ Appointment of a Child Safety Champion – Assistant Principal and MHP ✓ Wellbeing agenda item 	