

SCHOOL NO. 4401 - KATANDRA WEST

Policy Statement: **CURRICULUM**

421 - PHYSICAL EDUCATION

Responsibility: Health & Physical Education Co-ordinator and Staff

This Policy was last ratified by School Council in August, 2022.

PURPOSE:

Physical Education is an important part of the educational program as it contributes to the total development of the individual. It can also provide enjoyable learning experiences to assist students' physical development, as well as extending their ability to develop and perform physical skills.

GUIDELINES

- Each staff member is to be responsible for planning, implementing or facilitating a Physical Education program for their students.
- A sequentially developed Physical Education Program appropriate to the needs of the students is to be used. This program will reflect the concepts and learning outcomes outlined in the Victorian Curriculum for each Level.
- Individual differences will be considered and allowed for during the planning of Physical Education sessions.
- All Physical Education areas of the Victorian Curriculum are to be included in classroom programs.
- Each year level will allocate an appropriate amount of time for Physical Education each week that is in line with the Department of Education's mandated times for physical and sports education.
- The Classroom teacher will be responsible for the collection and return of all equipment needed for a session.
- The purchase of new equipment will be arranged through the co ordinator or the Principal.
- Play equipment that encourages physical activity is made available to students at lunchtimes and recess.
- Water is encouraged to be consumed during physical activity.
- Families are informed of the physical education policy and are provided with information to meet this policy requirement.
- Students will be encouraged to walk or ride to school where safe and appropriate.
- The Principal, in consultation with School Council, may vary this Policy, if circumstances require it.