



# ROAD SAFETY EDUCATION POLICY

## Gospel Values

- Community – road safety education is a community responsibility. The school as part of the community has an important part to play in developing a sequential programme and a road safety management plan.
- Freedom – a commitment to staff, and parents to empower students to become responsible users.

## Reflective Readings

- NSW department of school education road safety education policy statement.
- Catholic Education commission draft road safety policy.
- NSW school road safety education programme (K-12)

## Aims

St Patrick's School aims to provide a quality road safety education programme that develops responsible road users and those attitudes and behaviours which will contribute to the reduction of road casualties.

## Policy Statement

The planning and delivery of road safety education at St Patrick's School will take the following principles into account.

### 1. Delivering whole school, curriculum based road safety education programmes;

- Within the host key learning area of PH, H, PE
- Through integration with other key learning areas.
- As separate programmes which address specific road safety issues and student welfare needs.

These programmes will include the following modes of road use;

- passenger, pedestrian, cyclist.

### 2. Planning and implementing appropriate school management procedures;

- Within school boundary
- Outside school boundary

### 3. Reflecting school community input.

- Students
- Teachers

- Principal
- Parents

## **Implementation**

### **1. Delivering whole school, curriculum based road safety education programmes:**

- A sequential and coherent programme throughout primary and secondary schooling within each stage of the PD, H, PE key learning area.
- Integration of road safety content may occur in all key learning areas.
- Provision be made for the inclusion of specific events eg Bike Week, Back to School Campaign.
- Co-ordination by the appointed road safety contact person within the school.
- Availability of professional support by Diocesan Road Safety Adviser.

### **2. Planning and implementing appropriate school management procedures:**

- Review of existing road safety management procedures within school boundary and outside school boundary eg bus duty responsibilities, delivery and collection of students.
- Formulation of management procedures for those issues requiring further attention.

### **3. Reflecting school community input:**

- Promotion of road safety education programmes.
- Modelling positive road safety practice.
- Provision of information to parents/carers regarding road safety issues eg school newsletter ideas, kinder parent road safety calendar.
- Communication of school management procedures to students, parents and staff.
- Students demonstrating positive attitudes towards road safety and the expected safe behaviours.
- Effective road safety management plans within and outside school boundaries.
- Teachers well informed about road safety, the related school programme and resource available.

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