

## **ANTI-BULLYING POLICY**

St. Dominic Savio School believes in the safety and well-being of students and aims to provide a safe and friendly environment for students, where bullying is not accepted.

Bullying is repeated verbal, physical, social or psychological behaviour that is harmful and involves the misuse of power by an individual or group towards one or more persons. A person is bullied when they are intentionally exposed to negative or harmful actions by one or more people on a regular basis. Bullies are people who deliberately set out to intimidate, exclude, threaten and/or hurt others repeatedly.

Children are encouraged to report instances of bullying involving themselves or others to a staff member. All cases of bullying will be reported by staff members to the Principal.

The Principal will fully investigate the alleged incident of bullying and the appropriate disciplinary action will be taken in accordance with the school's Discipline Policy.

The St. George area School Liaison Officer can provide advice on bullying. The contact number for the St. George Police Office is 8566 7499.