

STUDENT SUPPORT SERVICES POLICY

Rationale:

Wahgunyah Primary School aims to provide a positive, safe and supportive school environment that facilitates students achieving their full potential. The school receives limited Student Support Funding for the provision of support services such as speech therapy, occupational therapy, psychological assessments and counselling. Student support is a responsibility shared between school and home.

Aims:

- To provide guidelines around the provision of student support services such as speech therapy, occupational therapy, psychological assessments, counselling and other external support agencies.
- To improve the scope and range of services provided to children by requesting co-contributions from the parents and carers of the children receiving support.

Implementation:

- The school will use its Student Support Services funding to identify and prioritise support for children with support needs such as speech therapy, occupational therapy, psychological assessments, and counselling.
- In providing student support services, the school will request a co-contribution of 50% of the cost of the individual services from the parent or carer of the child receiving the support.
- Student involvement in the provision of services is optional and must only be entered into with the consent of the relevant parent or carer.
- The principal reserves the right to waive the co-contribution costs on a case-by-case basis.

Evaluation:

- This policy will be reviewed as part of three year cycle.

This policy was last ratified by School Council in...

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