## COMMUNITY USE OF SCHOOL FACILITIES

## **PHILOSOPHY**

It is desirable that the school's facilities be made available to the wider community out of school hours for purposes consistent with the school's ethos.

## **PURPOSE**

Use of school facilities by the wider community should:

- Recognise that the school is part of that community.
- Promote goodwill within that community.
- Where appropriate, be profitable and contribute towards the school's responsibility for self-management.

## **IMPLEMENTATION**

- The school grounds will be available for recreational use by the wider community outside of school hours. This will be facilitated by pedestrian access gates being left unlocked (motor vehicle access by arrangement) at the Principal's discretion.
- The school facilities will be available for hire by the wider community at the discretion of the Principal.
- Where school facilities are hired on a regular basis, the hirer will be advised and required to acknowledge that school activities will take precedence and alternative arrangements may need to be made from time to time by the hirer.
- School Council will establish a schedule of reasonable fees for the use of school facilities and may include a cleaning and/or noise bond. School Council may, in its absolute discretion, waive or negotiate a lesser fee for a particular person/group.
- All charges for the use of school facilities will be payable in advance unless prior arrangements have been made.
- All groups/persons applying to use the school facilities will provide whatever information School Council requests, and if their application is approved will be required to complete facilities Hire Agreement and Guarantee form (GC 557). If required by School Council the hirer will provide details of their Public Liability Insurance.
- The hirer will be responsible for cleaning the facilities after their use, and reparation for any damage incurred during such use.
- Hirers will be required to ensure they do not disturb in any way nor invade the privacy of the school's near neighbours.

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