

Program for Students With Disabilities Policy

Rationale:

- At Ormond Primary School we believe that all students, regardless of their various abilities, should take their place alongside their peers, taking part in the whole range of educational experiences on offer at the school

Aims:

- Students with additional needs will be provided with learning opportunities that cater for their individual needs
- Students who attract Disabilities funding have learning programs tailored to meet their special requirements.

Implementation:

- The Assistant Principal will be responsible for the co-ordination of the Program for Students with Disabilities including:
 - Funding applications
 - Program Support Groups (PSGs)
 - Development and implementation of related program budgets
 - Staff professional development
 - Related issues management
- Applications for funding under the Program for Students with Disabilities will be submitted on behalf of the student by the school.
- The appraisal process for applications will occur at the earliest opportunity to provide maximum potential for applications to be successful and to ensure the smooth transition for students into our school setting.
- The Assistant Principal or delegate will fully explain the Program Support Group process to all parties.
- Program Support Groups will be established for all eligible students to facilitate curriculum planning and resource provision.
- Program Support Groups will be invited to meet once per term, or more regularly if required.
- Program Support Groups will make recommendations to the Assistant Principal regarding the development and implementation of individual student programs including:
 - Student achievement goals
 - Use of support staff and external consultants
 - Use of any additional resources
 - Provide full minutes of the meeting
- Communication with relevant consultants and support agencies will be undertaken on a needs basis
- Curriculum programs will be inclusive of all students.
- Building modifications will be considered based on the needs of the students and the funding available.

Renewal and Approval:

This policy will be reviewed as part of the school's four-year review cycle