

Blanchetown Primary School will provide a safe, inclusive, supportive and ordered learning environment free from bullying, harassment and violence. Bullying, including cyber bullying, harassment and violence, is not acceptable in this school and will be dealt with seriously and expediently.

What will happen if bullying is reported to the school?

- Your concerns will be listened to and documented
- You may be asked what further action you would like taken
- Teacher or principal may talk with the person who has been bullied, the perpetrator of the bullying or bystanders to gain further information
- Any behaviour found to not align with our 'School Behaviour Policy' will be dealt with accordingly.

Bullying is everyone's business.

If you see bullying and do nothing you are part of the problem.

At Blanchetown Primary School we believe that all students, staff and families have a right to feel safe, physically and psychologically, within our school environment.

DEFINITION: Bullying is repeated verbal, social or psychological behaviour that is harmful and involves the misuse of power by an individual or group toward one or more persons. Cyber-bullying refers to bullying through information and communication technologies such as internet and mobile phones.

Conflict or fights between equals and single incidents are not defined as bullying.

Bullying of any form or for any reason can have long term effects on those involved including bystanders.

WHAT FAMILIES CAN DO?

Parents who have concerns or wish to raise issues are encouraged to use the following procedures:-

- Firstly make an appointment to talk to the classroom teacher
- If the issues are not resolved, make an appointment to speak with the Principal.
- Monitor the situation and keep in touch with the school.
- If parents are still concerned that his/her grievance have not been resolved, they can contact the Principal / DECD Parent Complaint Unit

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Blanchetown Primary School Anti-Bullying Policy



Our values are:

Be Honest

Be Respectful

Be the Best You Can Be

Be Kind

**Everyone has the right to feel
safe at school**



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WHAT WE DO TO REDUCE BULLYING

At Blanchetown Primary School we use a number of strategies to decrease incidents of bullying at our school. These involve prevention, intervention and post-intervention strategies.

PREVENTION STRATEGIES

- Using the curriculum to teach students about respectful relationships (Child Protection Curriculum)
- Integration of Social and Emotional programs into all parts of our school
- Teaching students about, conflict resolution, anger management and problem solving
- Providing learning opportunities in a culturally diverse curriculum
- Providing professional learning for staff and community

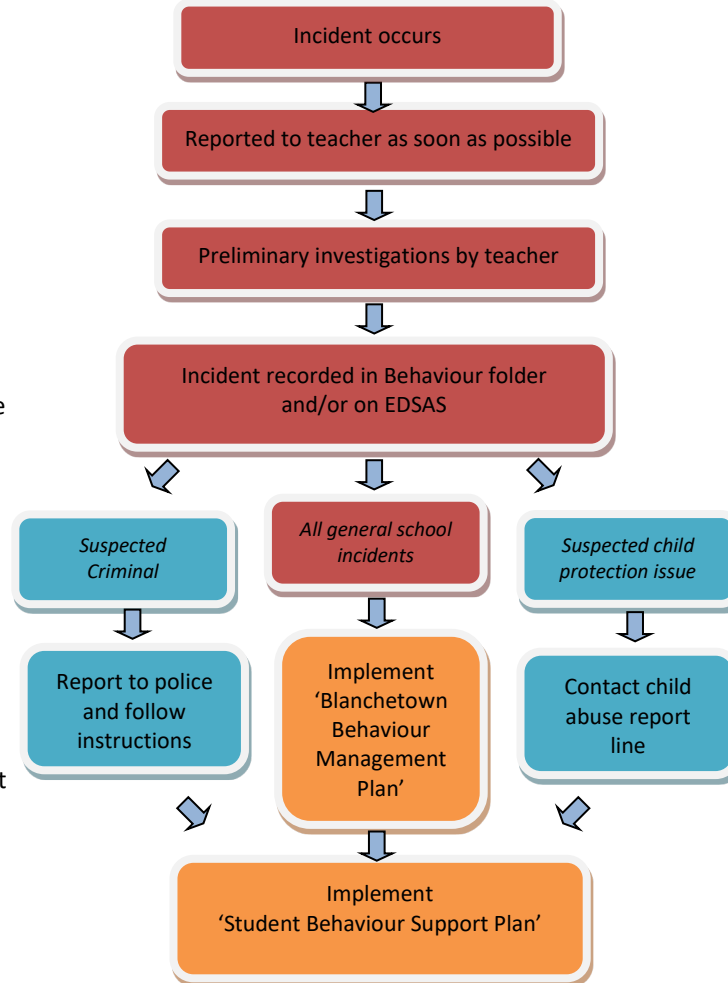
INTERVENTION STRATEGIES

- Ongoing monitoring of both students who are bullied and perpetrators of bullying
- Using 'Behaviour Management Plan' for clear consequences
- Educating students to be active bystanders and report bullying
- Ensuring that all staff know how to identify and address bullying effectively and respectfully

POST-INTERVENTION STRATEGIES

- Ongoing monitoring of yard during breaks and having a presence in trouble spots
- Analysing various data on incidents of bullying
- Talking with parents or carers about strategies
- Reviewing and evaluating behaviour codes and policies

BULLYING FLOWCHART



The following telephone numbers and websites can provide support and information.

Parent Helpline 1300 364 100

Kids Helpline 1800 551 800

Cybersafety Contact Centre 1800 800 176

www.esafety.gov.au

www.bullyingnoway.com.au

<https://www.education.sa.gov.au/parenting-and-child-care/parenting/parenting-sa>

RESPONSIBILITIES

By maintaining our own responsibilities we can all decrease the likelihood of bullying and violence in the school

EVERYONE - Be honest

- Establish positive relationships
- Respect and accept individual differences
- Model appropriate behaviours at all times
- Work together to support one another

STUDENTS

- Report all incidents of bullying and harassment as soon as possible even if it does not affect them
- Learn to be an effective bystander
- Treat others with care and respect
- Tell the truth and own your behaviour
- Explain the incident in full

PARENTS

- Support and encourage children to treat others with respect and act in accordance with the 'School Bullying Flowchart' if they observe bullying
- Encourage children to report bullying incidents to staff immediately
- Be aware of school policies and procedures
- Support school in effectively managing bullying
- To ask their child to explain their part in the incident

STAFF

- Promote and model positive relationships
- Participate in implementing the schools behavior plan To counter bullying
- Identify and respond to bullying incidents
- Teach students how to treat other with care and respect
- Teach students how to respond effectively to bullying
- Promote social problem solving with students
- Respect and accept individual differences
- Support students to be effective bystanders

PRINCIPAL

- Provide leadership in resourcing the school's prevention and effective management of bullying
- Lead in the annual review of the 'Bullying Policy'
- Report to community on data / programs
- Ensure parents are informed and support staff in the implementation of the schools policies and procedures