

CHILD SAFE STANDARDS ST PATRICK S STORY

St Patrick's College is committed to ensuring it continues to provide a child safe school environment. Its members are proactive and invested, through their areas of responsibilities, in ensuring the wellbeing and s



The display of the Child Safe Standards around the College site reaffirmed the important practices and approaches used by the College to keep students safe. Similarly, these posters reaffirmed for the students the importance of an environment that is both safe and nurturing for their wellbeing.

The introduction of the staff Canvas page has enabled links to important online courses that provide training in child protection and child health concerns. It also holds the Child Safe Standards document.

The use of chapel and student forums, in addition to the annual Tell Them From Me survey and AIS Perspectives survey, have provided students one avenue to express their views and experiences at the College. The recent work on respectful relationships, both in the classroom and outside the classroom, enabled students to construct a code of behaviours that would enhance their sense of safety at the College. Their SRC members advocate for them in the community. Student voice at the College is used to contribute to a child safe environment.

The development of the <u>Parent-College Partnership</u> framework and the <u>Working Together</u> document outlined the partnership the College values with parents. The <u>Parent Code of</u> <u>Conduct</u> explicitly outlines the behaviours that build positive relationships with the College and its staff.

The diversity across the College is its strength. Whilst a Catholic community, girls and families of other faiths and Christian denominations add value to the culture of the College. The diversity of ethnic background also enables all students to be able to feel included and part of the community. In particular, the College respe**ct**s and deeply values the girls who are First Nations and it works to support these girls in growing their confidence and pride in their Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander heritage.