



Physical Education Code of Conduct

RATIONALE

At St. Francis of the Fields Primary school, children are given the opportunity to be selected to represent the school in a variety of sports. These include: Swimming, Tennis, Basketball, Cross Country, Soccer, Golf, Football, Netball, Cricket and Athletics. These sports may have a school based competition, followed by Catholic Sports, Divisional, Regional and State representative level competitions as programmed by SSV (School Sports Victoria).

POLICY

Children who are currently playing a sport at a club level will have priority to apply to be chosen at a representative level, as they have shown a commitment to that sport and want to improve at that specific sport. If there are more children who are eligible to play compared to the number allowed to compete at that competition (set by SSV guidelines) or decided by the team's coach, there will be a selection process. At the start of the school year, the children in year 6 will nominate which sports they wish to try out for and which sports they will play at a club level.

SELECTION PROCESS

To be suitable for the selection process, children must have followed the school's expectations both in the classroom and yard, before being considered for selection. This is also important once in the team.

If there are a number of children who would like to compete in an event and not enough places for these children, then there will be a selection process. The selection process will follow these steps.

1. Priority will go to the children who are in Year 6 and currently playing that sport at a club level.
2. Priority will then go to the children who are in Year 6 who have shown some commitment to that sport i.e. have played in that sport at a club level in previous years.
3. Priority will then go to any children from Year 6 who have an interest in playing.
4. Priority will then go to children in Year 5 who are currently playing that sport at a club level that year.
5. Priority will then go to children who have played that sport in Year 5 at a club level in previous years.
6. A selection process involving one or more adults, will take place at school. A discussion between the selection panel members will take place and the children will be informed of who is in the team or teams.
7. At the end of the selection process, the team or teams will be selected on the ability and skill of the children that is demonstrated during the selection process. The teams will be graded according to ability. All children involved in the selection process will be informed of the decisions made.

Absences:

Team sports- Absence from all selection trials at school, will mean a child is ineligible to be picked as part of a team. After team has been finalised, should someone in the team be absent at a subsequent competition, all original team members will remain eligible for representation thereafter. If an emergency is used throughout the process, they will be then included in the team for any further competitions.

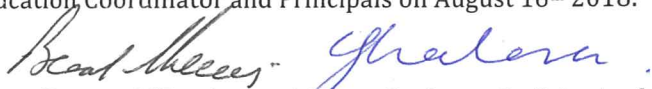
Individual events- You must compete at the school championship to be eligible to move through to the next level of competition.

Relays (swimming & athletics)- An emergency will be named, should they be used at any subsequent competition due to an original members absence, they will then return to being the emergency should the team make it through to any further competitions.

ENDORSEMENT

This policy was amended by the School's Physical Education Coordinator and Principals on August 16th 2018.


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