## NSW Department of Education Terranora Primary School Behaviour Support and Management Plan



## **Overview**

Terranora Public School is dedicated to explicitly teaching and modelling positive behaviour while supporting all students. We aim to foster excellence, opportunity, and success for every student, every day. We are committed to developing respectful, responsible learners within a safe and nurturing learning environment.

Our practices are grounded in the principles of positive behaviour support, trauma-informed practice, inclusive practice, social and emotional learning. We set and uphold high expectations for student behaviour through role modelling, explicit teaching, and structured responses.

Social and emotional learning is prioritised, which supports good mental health, positive relationships, and the prevention of bullying.

Terranora Public School rejects all forms of bullying, including cyberbullying, by maintaining a commitment to providing a safe, inclusive, and respectful learning environment that promotes student wellbeing. Our staff are dedicated to using evidence-based approaches and strategies that foster a positive climate where bullying is less likely to occur. Everyone in our school community plays an active role in building a welcoming culture that values diversity and encourages positive relationships. A crucial part of this supportive culture is fostering respectful relationships and an understanding that bullying is unacceptable, both online and offline. Our staff actively address and respond to incidents of bullying behaviour. Our commitment to maintaining and supporting positive student wellbeing practices is embedded in our Strategic Improvement Plan, specifically through Strategic Direction 2: Wellbeing and Engagement, with the goal of implementing a thoroughly planned approach to wellbeing.

## Partnership with parents and/or carers

Terranora Public School will partner with parents and carers in establishing expectations for engagement in developing and implementing student behaviour management and antibullying strategies, by liaising with staff, community and the Terranora Public School P&C Association. Terranora Public School will communicate these expectations to parents/carers through the school newsletter, Facebook page, at Terranora Public School P&C Association Meetings and school website. Our school proactively builds collaborative relationships with families and communities to create a shared understanding of how to support student learning, safety and wellbeing.

## **School-wide expectations and rules**

Terranora Public School has the following school-wide expectations and rules: To be respectful, engaged, and safe learners.

Respectful Learner	Safe Learner	Engaged Learner
Show kindness and empathy	Follow school and class expectations	Be prepared and ready to learn
Respect and appreciate others	Move and play safely	Try your best and persevere
Be polite and use manners	Be responsible and sensible	Ask for help and support others
Act with honesty and fairness	Respect personal space	Actively participate in activities
Take care of property and belongings	Care for yourself and others	Listen and follow directions

## **Behaviour code for students**

NSW public schools are committed to providing safe, supportive and responsive learning environments for everyone. The Behaviour Code for Students can be found at <a href="https://education.nsw.gov.au/policy-library/policyprocedures/pd-2006-0316/pd-2006-0316-01">https://education.nsw.gov.au/policy-library/policyprocedures/pd-2006-0316-01</a>.

## Whole school approach across the care continuum

Terranora Public School embeds student wellbeing and positive behaviour approaches in practices across the care continuum to promote positive behaviour and respond to behaviours of concern. These approaches and strategies are built on a foundation of evidence-based effective practices that set the tone for engagement with learning and respectful relationships. These practices include:

- stating and explicitly teaching classroom and school expectations
- establishing predictable routines and procedures that are communicated clearly to students
- encouraging expected behaviour with positive feedback and reinforcement through our Terranora Tickets
- discouraging inappropriate behaviour
- providing active supervision of students
- maximising opportunities for active engagement with learning
- delivering thoughtfully structured, engaging lessons that offer students opportunities to make choices
- differentiating learning content and tasks to meet the needs of all learner

Care Continuum	Strategy	Details	Audience
Prevention	Transition	<ul> <li>School tours, transition programs and parent and carers information sessions, together with related school-based documentation.</li> <li>Engagement with early childhood settings, previous schools/centres and allied health personnel and services.</li> <li>Transition support at all key transition points, including students meeting their classroom teacher/s prior to starting the new year and transition programs/visits with local high schools.</li> <li>Additional small group transition support P-K and 6-7.</li> <li>AURORA Learning Community student events.</li> </ul>	Students Early Childhood Centres Parents and Carers/ OSHC Agencies Prospective families Learning Community Staff
Prevention / Early Intervention	Classroom Management	<ul> <li>Expectations explicitly taught in alignment with school values.</li> <li>School and class values and expectations displayed.</li> </ul>	Students Staff Casual staff

Prevention	Whole School Systems	<ul> <li>Positive reinforcement and rewards through Terranora Tickets.</li> <li>Consistent communication and professional learning for staff of values, expectations and related support documents.</li> <li>Department of Education Wellbeing Framework and policy implementation.</li> <li>Access to a free Breakfast Club program.</li> <li>Communication of rules, expectations and changes via School Bytes, Facebook P &amp; C meetings and the school website.</li> <li>Risk Management procedures.</li> <li>Engagement with incident and behaviour data to support staffing, rule and process management and updates.</li> <li>Support Plans completed and shared with key stakeholders for: Individualised Education Plans (IEPs) for students with disability or with additional needs (eg: EAL/D, Itinerant Support for Hearing, Social and Emotional Support), Health Care Plans, Toileting Plans and Personal Learning Pathways for First Nations students, Adjustment Register for students with other adjustments.</li> </ul>	Parents and Carers/ OOHC Agencies Prospective families Staff Executive Learning and Support Team (LaST)
Prevention	Playground / Classroom Interventions	<ul> <li>Chill Out room during break times.</li> <li>Quiet (ball-free) playground areas.</li> <li>Weekly Behaviour Focus to explicitly teach positive student behaviour and expectations.</li> <li>Implementation of school-wide Terranora Tickets program to recognise and reinforce positive student behaviour and expectations.</li> <li>Provision of Learning and Support Staff where required.</li> <li>Strategic resourcing of innovative playground areas and purchasing of shared toys and educational playground resources (eg: sporting equipment, sand play toys, lawn games).</li> <li>Lunch break earlier than recess, to support students eating a wholesome larger meal earlier in the day and water stations.</li> </ul>	Students Teachers Executive LaST

Prevention	National Day of Action (NDA)	<ul> <li>Our school participates in the annual Bullying NO Way: National Week of Action against Bullying and Violence August each year.</li> </ul>	Staff Students 3 - 6
Prevention	Child protection	<ul> <li>Delivery of mandatory NSW DoE Child Protection program K-6.</li> <li>National Child Protection Week 1 – 7 September 2024 run by the National Association for the Prevention of Child Abuse and Neglect (NAPCAN) to raise awareness of child abuse and neglect prevention. In 2024, the message that 'Every child in every community needs a fair go' will be complemented with the theme 'Every conversation matters'.</li> </ul>	Students K - 6
Prevention	BroSpeak SistaSpeak	Delivery of strong cultural mentoring programs at our school to inspire and motivate young First Nations students about the importance of Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander culture and education. Delivered by trained staff members.	First Nations and Torres Strait Islander students 3-6
Prevention / Early Intervention / Targeted Intervention / Individual Intervention	Australian eSafety Commissioner Toolkit for Schools	The toolkit resources are categorised into four elements:     Prepare, Engage, Educate and Respond. The resources are used to engage with the school community about creating and maintaining safe online environments to prevent cyberbullying incidents. The toolkit includes actions to report and manage cyberbullying incidents.	Staff Students
Early Intervention / Targeted Intervention	Reminder Reflection, Referral	Whole school behaviour management intervention program that responds to emerging, minor, medium and major behaviours of concern through a continuum of strategies, and provides targeted support to encourage positive behaviours.	Staff Students
Targeted / Individual intervention	Zones of Regulation	Small group and 1:1 intervention sessions to foster social skills, self-regulation and emotional control, build resilience and conflict resolution skills.	Individual students K – 6 School Support Officer

Early Intervention	Staff Discussion	<ul> <li>Early identification at stage meetings, communication meetings and with stage assistant principals for students requiring support for learning, behavioural and/or wellbeing.</li> </ul>	Staff
Early / Targeted / Individual Intervention	LaST	The LaST works with teachers, students and families to support students who require personalised learning and support. Students are referred to our weekly LaST meetings for discussion and processing to ensure relevant staff are aware of pertinent details to support students or groups of students as required. Support may include, School Counsellor, or other DoE school services personnel, including HSLO, AP-H, AP-V, Early Intervention, etc. LaST staff develop and maintain ILPs, IEPs and PLPs in collaboration with teachers and parents to establish any risk assessments, and short/long term goals. Team approach supported by our Assistant Principal Curriculum & Instruction with clear guidelines and processes.	LaST Individual students Families Staff
Targeted and Individual Intervention	School Counsellor	<ul> <li>Specific individual counsellor support for students as required. Students to be referred through in-school system for support.</li> </ul>	Individual students Families
Targeted / Individual Intervention	Attendance support	<ul> <li>Assistant principals and Home School Liaison Officer monitor student attendance using data sheets and support students, families and teachers to address barriers to improved attendance and set growth goals.</li> </ul>	Individual students Assistant principal Home School Liaison Officer Staff
Individual intervention	Individual behaviour support planning	This may include developing, implementing, monitoring and reviewing behaviour support, behaviour response and risk management plans.	Individual students Parent and carers Classroom teacher LaST Assistant principal

# Planned responses to inappropriate behaviour and behaviours of concern, including bullying and cyberbullying

Terranora Public School has a restorative approach to behaviour. This means students are expected to take responsibility for their actions, understand the impact of their behaviour, and be willing to work with staff to find solutions. It's not about punishment. Instead, we use restorative justice practices, which involve open conversations and collaboration among students, families, and staff. This approach helps ensure everyone in our school community feels respected and committed to each other's wellbeing.

Our goal is to reduce exclusions, disruptive behaviours, conflicts, bullying, and minor disruptions. We aim to enhance positive behaviour, learning opportunities for everyone, student attendance, and overall educational outcomes. It requires students to take responsibility for their actions, understanding the impact of their behaviour, and willingness to work together with staff to find solutions. It is not a punitive approach to behaviour management. At Terranora Public School we implement restorative justice practices involving open conversations and collaboration between students, families, and staff. This ensures that everyone in our school community feels respected and invested in the wellbeing of others.

We aim to reduce exclusions, disruptive behaviours, conflict, bullying, and low-level disruptions. We strive to improve positive behaviour, learning opportunities for all, student attendance, and educational outcomes.

## TPS Reminder, Reflection, Referral Guide 2025

BEHAVIOUR ACTIONS

#### **REMINDER - MINOR LEVEL BEHAVIOUR**

#### **Example Minor Behaviours:**

- · calling out / off task
- disrupting / annoying others
- late to class / lines
- misuse of equipment
- anti-social behaviour
- social issues
- avoidance of work
- swearing aloud
- running on concrete
- out of uniform / no hat not following game rules / unfair / disruptive play
- exclusion of others

- name calling or teasing
- littering
- food sharing
- · out of bounds
- eating in wrong area (Oval)
- using large balls in Quad, near Hall & Loft
- kicking balls against the wall or on the Basketball Court
- on play equipment without teacher
- playing in the toilets

#### **Teacher or Staff on Duty Actions:**

- · reminds student of expectations and redirects student
- · apply minor consequence if required refer to flow chart
- monitor recording of prior incidents and record behaviour if required
- multiple incidents observed of the same behaviour. Teacher checks School Bytes and discusses with relevant Stage Assistant Principal
- N.B. If repeated behaviours become disrespectful or defiant these are medium level behaviour requiring a Reflection

#### **Recording of Minor Incidents**

- minor behaviours not requiring Reflection Time are to be recorded on School Bytes by creating a 'Wellbeing – Student' record
- do not create an incident for a minor behaviour, unless it is considered a medium level behaviour and requires a Reflection

#### **REFLECTION - MEDIUM LEVEL BEHAVIOUR**

#### **Example Medium Behaviours:**

- reoccurring / repeated minor behaviour/s
- aggression or intimidation
- disrespectful and/or defiant
- minor damage to school /others' property
- swearing at another student
- continual disobedience
- intentional putdowns
- misuse of technology
- hands/feet on or tackling
- · escalated recurrent teasing
- ongoing exclusion of others
- suspected sexualised behaviour

- dangerous play
- passive-aggressive response
- in classroom without teacher
- lying
- threatening another student
- blaming others
- inappropriate toileting
- suspected theft
- suspected bullying and/or cyberbullying
- suspected racism and/or discrimination
- use of an implement as a weapon

#### **Classroom or Duty Teacher Actions:**

- informs student that the behaviour is being referred to an Assistant Principal and requires a Reflection
- create an incident in School Bytes with details and select reflection
- N.B. Any incident resulting in an injury the parent of the injured student must be contacted before 2:55pm by duty or CT

#### **Assistant Principal Actions:**

- view School Bytes incidents to confirm Reflections
- remind student and classroom teacher via email of Reflection
- meet student at the front of office at 10:55am with their lunch
- discuss behaviour and complete reflection sheet with student which is sent home to be sighted and signed by parent and returned the following day to AP
- record date and resolution/consequences in School Bytes and notifies class teacher, teacher involved and Stage AP
- SMS sent and if required a phone call made to notify parent
- students return Reflection sheet to Reflection duty AP the next day
- print School Bytes incident, attach to Reflection sheet when returned and store in Red Incident Record folder in student file in copy room

#### **REFERRAL - MAJOR LEVEL BEHAVIOUR**

## **Example Major Behaviours:**

- theft
- significant damage to school/others' property
- ongoing anti-social behaviour / social issues
- inappropriate use of technology
- · serious aggression or violence
- endangering safety of self/others
- verbal abuse of a teacher ie. swearing or threatening
- racism and/or discrimination

- sexual behaviour / assault / harassment and/or incidences
- deliberate property damage
- leaving class or school without permission
- bullying and/or cyberbullying
- physical, verbal or psychological abuse
- continued lying
- disrespectful attitude towards a teacher
- fighting
- possession and/or use of a weapon/dangerous object
- possession and/or use of drugs or an illegal substance

## Teacher and/or Assistant Principal Actions:

- report incident to Principal
- records incident in School Bytes

#### **Principal Actions:**

- reviews recorded incident/s
- follows School Behaviour Support and Management Plan
- discusses behaviour and acts accordingly after a student Reflection depending on the situation
- resolution/consequences to be discussed with student, parents,
   Classroom Teacher and/or Assistant Principal

## TPS Reminder, Reflection, Referral Flow Chart 2024

#### Observe Problem Behaviour Refer to Reminder, Reflection and Referral Guide to decide whether behaviour level is Minor, Medium or Major MAJOR MINOR MEDIUM Reflection Reminder Referral Assistant Principal Teacher or Staff on Duty Principal Teacher or Staff on Duty Teacher/Assistant Principal Classroom or Duty Teacher reminds student of expectations informs student that behaviour is reports to Principal redirects student being referred to an AP for a create an incident in School Bytes with description of behaviour and monitors behaviour Reflection · create an incident in School Bytes with request Referral applies minor consequence if required review recording of prior incidents description of behaviour and record behaviour if required For an incident resulting in an injury Principal the parent of the injured student must be contacted before 2:55pm by duty · reviews recorded incident/s or CT Possible Consequences follows School Behaviour Management Plan Assistant Principal verbal warning Possible Consequences explain choices/restate review School Bytes expectations complete Reflection with student time out in class · discussion about expectations SMS to inform parents sent to another CT or AP further investigation Print incident and collect signed differentiated consequences stay after class to discuss Reflection sheet to store both in problem/finish work according to age of student student file in copy room parent and/or carers contacted teaching of expectation School Bytes 'Wellbeing Record' phone call to inform parents Possible Consequences reflection sheet further investigation warning letter of suspension age and/or incident appropriate in-school suspension consequences suspension teaching of expectation phone call if required warning of possible referral to Reflection Teacher - Anthony Backups listed below in order Lauren Kirsty Shelli Behaviour CONTINUE 8 Reflection with Behaviour \$TOP 8 Assistant Krystel Principal School Bytes acknowledgemen Jodi and refer to AP

## **Detention, reflection and restorative practices**

Toilet and food breaks are always included when withdrawal from free choice play at either break is planned as a response to behaviour. The maximum length of time will be appropriate to the age/developmental level of the student.

Strategy	When and how long?	Who coordinates?	How are these recorded?
Reminder – Brief discussion with the student to remind them of the expected behaviour. Redirect student. Might include a minor consequence as listed on Reminder, Reflection and Referral Flowchart.	Immediately 10 minutes	Teacher / SLSO	May be documented in School Bytes as a Wellbeing Record
Reflection – a structured debriefing and planning after a crisis event or behaviour of concern with an individual student.	Next day at either lunch or recess break	Assistant Principal	Documented in School Bytes as a Wellbeing incident
Referral – withdrawal from free choice play and relocated to office for supervised play following disruptive behaviour. The purpose is to assist the student to achieve the desired behaviour, to reflect on their behaviour and make positive choices.	Next break	Principal	Documented in School Bytes as a Wellbeing incident
Restorative practice – Social and emotional learning to help students calm themselves when they feel angry, make friends, resolve conflicts respectfully and make safe choices.	Lessons are ongoing	Staff School Support Officer	Documented in School Bytes LaST notes

Review dates

Last review date: Term 3, 2024 Next review date: Term 1, 2025

## **School Anti-bullying Plan**

Bullying behaviour has three key features: the intentional misuse of power in a relationship, ongoing and repeated actions, and behaviours that can cause harm. At Terranora Public School, we reject all forms of bullying, including cyberbullying. We are committed to providing a safe, inclusive and respectful learning community to promote student wellbeing.

Terranora Public School is dedicated to implementing evidence-based approaches to foster a positive environment where all students' feel safe and recognised. This commitment aims to create a school culture where bullying is less likely to occur.

All members of our school community play an active role in building a welcoming school culture that values diversity and fosters positive relationships. A cornerstone of this supportive culture is the emphasis on respectful relationships and the understanding that bullying is unacceptable, both online and offline. School staff are committed to actively responding to any instances of bullying behaviour.

At Terranora Public School, we have developed school expectations and guidelines for how to address inappropriate behaviour, guided by our core values: Be Respectful, Be Engaged, and Be Safe. Our Anti-Bullying Plan is an integral part of our School Behaviour and Support Management Plan. It has been developed using the guidelines from the Friendly Schools program, Bullying of Students – Prevention and Response Policy and other NSW Department of Education support resources. This plan is reviewed annually.

To promote a positive school culture, reduce and respond to bullying, our school engages in the following practices.

## Strategy

#### Staff are required to:

- Provide explicit teaching and engage students in discussions about bullying and behaviour expectations.
- Be vigilant in identifying signs of distress or reported incidents of bullying.
- Actively patrol during supervision to minimise incidents.
- Report bullying incidents to appropriate staff members.
- Follow established procedures to address and manage bullying behaviour.

## Students are required to:

- Understand the definition of bullying.
- Be proactive in supporting their peers and involve all students in activities.
- Use appropriate strategies to resolve disagreements.
- Be an upstander, not a bystander, and report any instances of bullying.

## Parents are required to:

- Be familiar and supportive of the existing school guidelines and procedures.
- Have open and healthy lines of communication with their child's class teacher to address any issues or concerns in an appropriate way.

## **Procedures**

To address all instances of inappropriate bullying behaviour, the following actions will be undertaken as needed:

- The bullying incident is reported to the teacher.
- The investigating teacher discusses the issue with the students involved.
- The behaviour is documented online in School Bytes, and the student whose behaviour is deemed unacceptable attends a structured Reflection session for debriefing and planning.
- The student is encouraged to acknowledge and take responsibility for their behaviour, with consequences clearly outlined if the behaviour continues.
- Parents are informed about the incident.
- The behaviours of the involved students are observed and monitored after the intervention.
- Check-ins are conducted with the student who was targeted to assess their wellbeing.
- If the student reoffends, the class teacher, stage supervisor, or principal will arrange a meeting with the parents.
- Other actions in line with NSW Department of Education policy may be implemented, including potential suspension if necessary.

## **Bullying Response Flowchart**

The following flowchart explains the actions Terranora Public School staff will take when they receive a report about student bullying, including bullying which may have occurred online or outside of the school setting. The timeframes will vary depending on the professional judgment of staff who receive the bullying complaint and their assessment of immediate risk to student/s.

First hour: Listen

- Provide a safe space to talk and reassure the student that you will listen to them
- Let them share their experience and feelings without interruption
- •As a mandatory reporter, if you hold immediate concerns for the student's safety, let the student know how you will address these. Immediate, in this circumstance, is where the staff member believes the student is likely to experience harm (from others or self) within the next 24 hours

Day 1: Document

- •Ask the student for examples they have of the alleged bullying (e.g. written note or screenshot)
- •Write a record of your communication with the student and check with the student to ensure you have the facts correct
- •Enter the record in School Bytes
- •Notify assistant principal of incident in line with Reminder Reflection Referral flowchart
- •Notify parent/s that the issue of concern is being investigated

Day 2:

- •Gather additional information from other students, staff or family
- •Review any previous reports or records for students involved in School Bytes
- Make sure you can answer who, what, where, when and how
- •Clarify information with student and check on their wellbeing

• Evaluate the information to determine if it meets the definition of bullying (outlined above)

- •Make a time to meet with the student to discuss next steps
- •Ask the student what they believe will help address the situation
- •Engage the student as part of the solution

Day 3: Discuss

- •Provide the student, parents or carers with information about student support network (any person at school or outside school that provides support or services to the student e.g. Yr Advisor, AEO, Psychologist, OT etc.
- •Agree to a plan of action and timeline for the student, parent and yourself

Day 4: Implement

- •Document the plan of action in School Bytes
- •Complete all actions agreed with student and parents or carers within agreed timeframes
- Monitor student and check in regularly on their wellbeing
- •Seek assistance from student support network if needed

Day 5: Review

- •Meet with the student to review situation
- •Discuss what has changed, improved or worsened
- •Explore other options for strengthening student wellbeing or safety
- •Report back to parent
- •Record outcomes in School Bytes

Ongoing folllow-up

- •Continue to check in with student on regular basis until concerns have been mitigated
- •Record notes of follow-up meetings in School Bytes
- •Refer matter to the Learning and Support Team within 48 hours if the situation is not resolved
- •Look for opportunities to improve school wellbeing for all students