

MIRBOO NORTH PRIMARY SCHOOL Communication with School Staff Policy



Help for non-English speakers

If you need help to understand this policy, please contact Mirboo North Primary School on (03) 5668 1375 or email mirboo.north.ps@education.vic.gov.au

PURPOSE

This policy explains how Mirboo North Primary School proposes to manage common enquiries from parents and carers.

SCOPE

This policy applies to school staff, and all parents and carers in our community.

POLICY

Mirboo North Primary School understands the importance of providing helpful and timely responses to common enquiries from parents and carers. To ensure that members of our school community are directed to the most appropriate person to assist them, the information below outlines key contacts for common queries:

- to report a student absence, please contact the office on 5668 1375 or enter it in the Compass App.
- to report any urgent issues relating to a student on a particular day, please contact front office on 5668 1375
- to discuss a student's academic progress, health or wellbeing, please contact your classroom teacher
- for enquiries regarding camps and excursions, please contact the school office on 5668 1375 or the classroom teacher
- to make a complaint, please contact the Principal/Assistant Principal on 5668 1375 or email mirboo.north.ps@education.viv.gov.au
- to report a potential hazard or incident on the school site, please contact the Principal or the Assistant Principal on 5668 1375 or email – mirboo.north.ps@education.vic.gov.au
- for parent payments, please contact the office on 5668 1375
- for all other enquiries, please contact our school office on 5668 1375

We will do our best to respond to general queries as soon as possible. The right to disconnect legislation makes explicit that all employees have the right to refuse to monitor, read, listen to or respond to contact that occurs outside their working hours from their employer or a third party (such as a student or a parent), unless that refusal is unreasonable.

We ask that you allow us 2-3 working days to provide you with a detailed response to general queries. We will endeavour to respond to urgent matters within 24 hours where possible.

Interpreting Services

We can arrange for interpreting support if you are from a language background other than English and need help with understanding important educational information about your child. Contact Mirboo North Primary School on 5668 1375 for more information.

Requests for information

Parents and carers are generally entitled to information ordinarily provided to parents, including school reports and newsletters.

Parents and carers seeking information that is not ordinarily provided to parents are encouraged to apply for access through the Freedom of Information process, or, if the information is sought for use in court proceedings, by issuing a subpoena.

Freedom of Information requests should be directed to:

Manager – Freedom of Information Unit Department of Education and Training 2 Treasury Place EAST MELBOURNE VIC 3002 03 9637 3134 foi@education.vic.gov.au

This policy will be communicated to our school community in the following ways:

- Available publicly on our school's website
- Included in staff induction processes and staff training

REVIEW CYCLE

Policy last reviewed	June 2024
Approved by	Principal
Next scheduled review date	June 2026