# **GOOD STANDING POLICY**

In accordance with the Department of Education's Positive Student Behaviour Policy, Medina Primary School has a Good Standing Policy. Our Good Standing Policy supports the Medina Positive Behaviour expectations; Co-operation, Achievement, Respect, Engagement, acknowledging and rewarding exemplary student behaviour and attendance. We believe every student should feel safe, happy, nurtured, and supported to learn in a welcoming, inclusive, collaborative learning environment.

The Good Standing Policy emphasises the importance of students taking responsibility for the choices they make daily, which impacts academically and socially on themselves and others. The Good Standing Policy is a part of, and works in conjunction with, the whole school Student Behaviour Policy and aims to provide regular acknowledgement and recognition for the majority of students who consistently behave and act accordingly to Medina PS C.A.R.E. expectations.

Good Standing is a status all Medina Primary School students are granted at the beginning of every school year. It is the responsibility of each student to maintain their Good Standing. Students with Good Standing are eligible to participate in Medina Primary School rewards and other activities. Students who lose their Good Standing may lose their privilege to participate in events including but not limited to excursions and school-based activities, choir, camps, Big Day Out Activities, sporting events, Graduation / Leavers Lunch and discos. Students who lose Good Standing will not be eligible to receive Merit Certificates until they regain Good Standing. Students who have an I.B.P. will operate at Principal, Deputy Principal and teacher discretion.

All students are required to have Good Standing, wear the correct Medina Primary School uniform, maintain a 90% or above attendance rate, and arrive at school by 8:30am 90% of the time in order to participate in rewards and other activities. All absences are to be explained within 3 days of your child returning to school and extended or reoccurring absences need to be supported by a medical certificate or doctor's note.

# To maintain Good Standing students must:

- Consistently display Medina C.A.R.E. expectations.
- Follow the Medina Student Positive Behaviour Policy.

# Students will lose Good Standing for:

- Fighting.
- Abuse, threats, harassment or intimidation of staff.
- Abuse, threats, harassment or intimidation of students.
- Damage to property.
- E-breaches (technology misuse).
- Ongoing violation of the Medina C.A.R.E. behaviour expectations.
- Receiving 2 detentions.
- Non adherence to Individual Behaviour Plan (IBP).
- Leaving school grounds without permission.

Student leaders who lose their Good Standing or who do not maintain a 90% or above attendance rate and arrive at school on time, may lose their leadership role.

# Suspension will automatically result in loss of Good Standing.

# **Regaining Good Standing:**

Students will regain their Good Standing at the start of the following term.

#### Parent contact regarding Good Standing:

- The Medina PS Good Standing Policy will be communicated to parents through a range of mediums and uploaded to the Medina Primary School Website.
- At the commencement of every year, parents will receive a link to the Good Standing Policy via the school newsletter/Facebook.
- Parents will be advised when their child loses Good Standing, how they may regain this status and what opportunities they will be ineligible for.
- Parents will be advised by the leadership team if their child is at risk of losing their Good Standing due to ongoing violation of the MPS Positive Student Behaviour Policy.

The Medina Primary Good Standing Policy is provided to maintain consistency in our decision making processes. It is important to note these are guidelines, all factors will be considered and any decision to withdraw Good Standing will be at the discretion of the Principal.

