

# CLASSROOM HELPERS

## POLICY

### **Rationale:**

Kingswood creates a positive difference for each student by providing an engaging, innovative and caring learning environment. Kingswood values and respects the important and responsible role the community has in the success and long-term viability of the school and encourages approved classroom helpers to assist in the classroom.

### **Aim:**

To enhance the educational programs at the school, build the partnerships between home and school and to provide opportunities for community members to become active participants.

### **Implementation:**

- Our school actively encourages and values community members.
- The school offers a formal 'Classroom Helpers' program to skill and recruit helpers.
- All classroom helpers are required to sign into the school and wear an identifying name badge/lanyard.
- Helpers may not necessarily have their own children in their groups.
- Volunteer community helpers, at school, on excursions and on camps must have a Working With Children Certificate prior to assisting.
- Under the Summary Offences Act 1966 (Vic) and subsequent amendments, the principal reserves the right, and has the authority to prohibit any classroom helper from entering or remaining within the school, and also has the authority to invite or exclude people from using or being within the school boundaries outside school operating hours.

### **Evaluation:**

This policy will be reviewed as part of the school's three-year review cycle.

This policy was last ratified by School Council in....

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