

Hauraki Primary School

Policy Document

Sport

Rationale:

This school believes that participation in sporting and recreational activities provide enormous benefits for the physical and mental well-being of students. Sport begins in play and develops through teaching games for understanding. Sport plays a significant part in N.Z. culture.

Purpose:

- To foster a positive attitude, participation and interest in a wide range of physical activities including competitive and non-competitive sports regardless of ability as part of promoting a healthy lifestyle.
- To provide a wide variety of sporting codes through effective teaching, field days, sport exchanges, tournaments, lunchtime competition and practices.
- To provide opportunities that contribute to positive interactions and relationships with others.
- To provide opportunities for developing skills in a range of sporting activities as opportunities arise.
- To encourage students to make informed decisions about their own involvement and development in sport.
- To encourage the values of good sportsmanship and values.

Guidelines:

1. All Senior children are strongly encouraged to commit to participation in at least one major representative Hauraki team, normally hockey, netball or basketball.
2. Children are encouraged to participate in teams that compete during school hours, including cricket, rugby and soccer.
3. It is expected that all Senior children will have the opportunity to participate in Inter School sports exchanges.
4. The number of representative school teams is determined by teachers in charge, in consultation with the Principal.
5. Staff and coaches will be supported with professional development in the effective delivery of sport.
6. Community support is encouraged to help manage and coach teams.
7. Sporting equipment will be made available to students during lunchtimes.
8. Sporting achievement and success will be celebrated.
9. Students will be encouraged to take leadership roles within sport.
10. Students will be encouraged to demonstrate good sportsmanship on and off the field.
11. School spirit and pride will be enhanced through house competitions as well as with sports exchanges with other schools.
12. Each year students, parents and coaches are asked to agree to a fair play code of conduct by signing and returning to school.

Signed: *S. A. M. M. e*

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Chairperson Board of Trustees

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