



ALBANY RISE PRIMARY SCHOOL

DOGS ON SCHOOL GROUNDS POLICY

RATIFIED BY SCHOOL COUNCIL: 16th March 2016 REVIEW DATE: 2019

ARPS POLICY

PURPOSE:

- 1.1 To ensure the health, safety and welfare of all persons and dogs
- 1.2 To ensure dogs do not cause any harm or damage to School property
- 1.3 To regulate the presence and management of dogs on School premises and in areas where School activities are being undertaken. 'School premises' include all areas, buildings and facilities which are accessible by students, staff and /or members of the public. It does not include any private residences owned by the School.

GUIDELINES:

- 2.1 Dogs are prohibited on the School premises between 8.30 am and 4.00pm and must not inhibit access to the school. (This does not apply to guide and assistance dogs)
- 2.2 Due to their unpredictable nature, the reaction of some students to dogs and various Occupational Health and Safety issues, dogs may not be brought by visitors, staff or students to the School unless deemed appropriate by Principal or delegate e.g. Pet Days/Show and Tell
- 2.3 Any dogs that are brought on to School premises with permission from Principal or delegate must, at all times, be on a leash, effectively controlled and not permitted to independently wander or roam.
- 2.4 The owners or carers of any dogs on School premises must also comply with all relevant local Council regulations and the provisions under the Domestic (Feral and Nuisance) Animals **Act** 1994 and the Domestic Animals Amendment (**Dangerous Dogs**) **Act** 2011. Dog owners are required to clean up after their dogs and to remove the refuse from School Grounds for disposal
- 2.5 Signage will reflect this policy.

Principal _____

School Council President _____

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