

## **CHILD PROTECTION, GUIDANCE AND COUNSELLING POLICY AT MULEBA SECONDARY SCHOOL**

At Muleba School we take the care, welfare and protection of our children very seriously. We believe all children have a right to feel safe within the school, home and community. Within our school we strive to provide a safe, secure and nurturing environment for our students, which promote inclusion and achievement. All staff and workers at school have the duty and responsibility to take action if we have reason to believe a child is suffering, or is at risk of abuse.

Our student protection, guidance and counselling policy sets out what we will do if we have reason to believe a student is being abused or is at risk of abuse, either within the school or outside school. This policy is designed to ensure that students get the help they need when they need it.

Every staff member and worker undergoes a child protection training activity every year. Many of our staff members are more extensively trained in specific areas of child protection to support and identify potential child protection concerns. Guidance and counselling is coordinated through the Headmaster/mistress with assistance from qualified counsellors within and outside the school. The Co-ordinator of this policy is the headmaster/mistress who ensures that all processes of these activities are achieved as intended.

We also believe that such work cannot be accomplished without assistance from parents and guardians. By working together, we believe we can guide, counsel and protect our children.