Sport Policy

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Why we have a policy.

Sport is an important part of Australian life and a significant element in the school curriculum. The sport program provides a unique opportunity for students to set and realize immediate and long term goals. Sport is compulsory for all students in Years 7-11.

Sport aims to …

The aim of sport is to promote:

• pleasurable involvement in physical activity
• fitness and health
• positive attitudes and good “sportsmanship”
• healthy approach to life long recreational and sporting activities.

Through sport students develop positive traits such as cooperation, respect for others, self esteem and self discipline, leadership skills and the ability to handle success and failure.

Our sports program …

Our sport program has 4 components. Carnivals and fun runs, Wednesday sport, Gala days and representative competitions. All students are expected and encouraged to participate in the first three components of the program. Participation, enjoyment and skill development are essential features of these components.

All students are encouraged to try out for representative teams and individual sports. If selected for representative sport the student is expected to make a strong commitment to training and on-going skills development and striving for excellence in sporting achievement.

A wide range of sports …

Our sports program includes a wide range of sports as well as recreational activities. For students who have already achieved excellence in their chosen field, they may participate in training activities outside the school on Wednesdays in special circumstances.

Competition and sport …

Competition provides stimulation and challenge as well as an opportunity to apply, test and further develop skills in a game situation. Wholesome competition emphasizes participation rather than winning or losing. Students should be satisfied with having competed to the best of their ability and spectator behaviour should reflect this emphasis.

Non-participation in sport.

If for any reason a student is unable to participate in sport, they should bring a note from home. The student will be issued with a spectator pass for the appropriate Wednesday sport. If the student will not be able to participate in sport for an extended period of time a medical certificate will be required and alternative arrangements will be made.