



St. Joseph's Catholic School, Grey Lynn

Established 1884

POLICY: ANIMAL WELFARE

RATIONALE

Animals are in St. Joseph's School grounds or classrooms with Board of Trustees' (Principal's) knowledge for education/observational purposes.

PURPOSE

To ensure St. Joseph's School pupils are safe around animals in the school and to ensure appropriate care of those animals that are in the school for educational purposes.

GUIDELINES

- 1) No animals are allowed to roam freely in the school grounds
 - a) They will be taken home by pupil owners, if appropriate, or animal control will be rung to take the animal away.
- 2) Pets in classrooms must be:
 - a) The teacher's responsibility
 - b) Unable to hurt children
 - c) Kept in a suitable habitat
 - d) Fed regularly
 - e) Kept clean
 - f) Taken home during holidays
- 3) Animals brought in for school observation, e.g. Police Dog, McDonald's Farm, must have Board of Trustees (Principal) approval.
- 4) This policy has been written in conjunction with the Special Character Policy

CONCLUSION

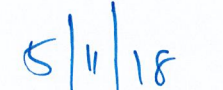
The safety of the children at St. Joseph's School must always be paramount.

JUNE Review (Even Year)			
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Year	Comment	Action	Signed
2014			
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2018	✓	No change	RMSing 5-11-18

This policy will be reviewed according to the Board's Effectiveness Review Programme



 Chairperson



 Date