MAS Learning experiences outside the classroom

Code of Conduct for Adults Assisting with School Activities

The following points will be discussed with all adult helpers assisting on EOTC experiences prior to going on camp.

For our Learning Experiences Outside the Classroom to be enjoyable (for all) and 'safe' the following guidelines must be followed:

1. The Teacher(s) is in charge of the activities and is directly responsible for all children. If you have any concerns please discuss them with the teacher as soon as possible (and not in front of the children).
2. Adult helpers are usually responsible for a group of children under the direction of the teacher. Please ensure that they are your main focus.

The following simple pointers are good advice:

- Respect everyone's right to personal privacy at all times – particularly where sleeping, changing of clothing, bathing and ablutions are involved.
- Unless Police vetted, supervising parents accompanying students on trips, should always do so in pairs with a staff member.
- Avoid unaccompanied and unobserved activities with students whenever possible.
- Adhere to the School's policy in regard to smoking and guidelines in relation to alcohol. It is essential that you are a positive role model at all times and are able to carry out your responsibilities.
- Physical punishment of any form is unacceptable. Discipline should be maintained by the Teacher. Adult helpers should always take action in the short term to ensure the immediate safety of the child, other children and property. Adult assistants may deal with minor incidents by loss of privilege or exclusion from an enjoyable activity for a short period of time. This should be reported to the teacher in charge.
- Treat all children the same (as much as possible).
- Do not let children involve you with excessive attention seeking behaviour including that which is overtly physical or sexual in nature.

ABOVE ALL- HAVE FUN!

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