



# MULGRAVE PRIMARY SCHOOL

Gladeswood Drive, Mulgrave Vic 3170

## DOGS IN SCHOOL Policy

### PURPOSE

To explain to our school community the rules and procedures we have in place in relation to dogs attending our school grounds.

### POLICY

#### Pet dogs

Mulgrave Primary School is not a public place, and our Principal has the authority to permit or decline entry to school grounds and impose conditions of entry.

- The School is concerned with the safety of students, parents, staff and visitors at Mulgrave Primary School. It is for the reasons outlined above that Principal (after seeking feedback from School Council) prior permission is required for dogs attending school grounds between 7:00AM - 6:00AM on school days”
- Dogs are also not permitted on school grounds outside of these hours during Principal approved events where Mulgrave Primary School students will be present e.g. Working Bees, Twilight Sports, Christmas Concerts, Parent Teacher Interviews, Open Nights and Family nights
- Where community members wish to bring their dog into the school for a particular event prior permission of the Principal is required.
- Mulgrave Primary School promotes the ‘Responsible Pet Ownership Program for Primary School’ to educate students in the knowledge and understanding needed, for responsible pet ownership and animal care.

#### Stray dogs

Unaccompanied or stray dogs sighted at our school should be reported immediately to The Principal at the school office]. School staff will contact municipal authorities and/or Victoria police for assistance in managing and removing a stray dog from school grounds, and ensure staff and students remain safe at school.

### RELATED POLICIES AND RESOURCES

Mulgrave Primary school’s *Duty of Care* and *Visitors* policies.

### REVIEW PERIOD

This policy was last updated on 11/9/18 and is scheduled for review in September 2021