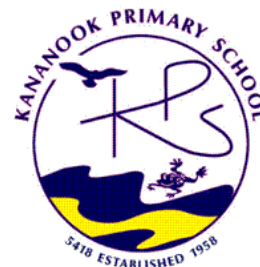


# DOGS IN SCHOOL GROUNDS POLICY



## **Rationale:**

The purpose of “Dogs in the School Ground” policy is to support the promotion of a safe school environment and to ensure the safety of all whilst attending the school; through both direct and indirect contact with dogs.

## **Aims:**

To provide for the safety of students, toddlers and parents within the environment of the school yard.

## **Implementation:**

- Dogs are not permitted within the school grounds at any time unless given approval by the Principal. The exception to this policy is for dogs that assist people with disabilities or are part of the “Dogs in School Program.”
- It is not permitted to tether a dog at the school boundary fence.
- Owners must remain with their dogs, outside the school boundaries, at all times.
- Owners are entirely responsible for the dog’s behaviour and for cleaning up any mess left by the dog.
- Kananook Primary School promotes the ‘Responsible Pet Ownership Program’ for Primary Schools, to educate students in the knowledge and understanding needed for responsible pet ownership and animal care.
- This policy will be sent home to all parents and added to the school’s website.
- Any stray dogs in the school grounds will be immediately reported to the ranger for collection.

## **Evaluation:**

This policy is to be reviewed as part of the school’s three-year review cycle.

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