Brisbane Catholic Education schools have as a guiding principle the pastoral care of all within their community and those with whom they interface. In particular, this applies to our students. Brisbane Catholic Education continually strives to be a place of quality teaching and learning.

This Code of Conduct applies to all students and parents/guardians of St Oliver Plunkett Catholic School

STUDENTS

Student Rights
Each student has the right to:
- Be provided with good teaching within an appropriate curriculum
- Work and play without interference from others
- Feel safe and be protected from ridicule, harassment and harm
- Be treated with care, courtesy, respect and fairness
- Be given guidance, help and support when required
- Be fully informed about school rules and consequences

Student Responsibilities
Each student is expected to:
- Follow school rules and accept consequences of misbehaviour
- Make proper use of the learning opportunities provided
- Respect the rights of other students (as above)
- Be co-operative and respectful towards all staff
- Take proper care of all school resources and facilities
- Present a positive image of the school to the public
- Act in a lawful manner at all times
- Exercise safe and responsible cyber citizenship (appropriate use of electronic/technological/online facilities)

Student Rules
The following are fundamental student rules:
- Students must obey the instructions of school staff
- Students must behave in a way which is non-disruptive and safe
- Students must not physically or verbally abuse others
- Students must be in attendance throughout all classes, unless formally excused
- Students must respect the property of the school and the property of other students
- Students must obey the school uniform and dress codes
- Students must act in accordance with the school Internet Usage Agreement
- Students must respect others by being punctual
In Public

Using Transport

- Students waiting in the pick-up assembly area must obey the supervising teacher’s instructions and act in a safe and appropriate manner.
- Students must follow the supervising teacher’s instructions of an afternoon.
- Students must use the marked road crossings whenever crossing the roads surrounding the school grounds.
- Students must remember that they represent the school when travelling to and from school.

Bicycles/ Scooters/ Skateboards/ etc.

- All cyclists must comply with traffic laws and wear safety helmets while travelling to and from the school.
- Users of bicycles, scooters, skateboards, etc are expected to dismount and walk across the surrounding streets of the school (using designated marked road crossings).
- Once on school property, it is expected that students will dismount and walk their modes of transport to the designated areas.
- Items stored in the designated areas are out of bounds to all students, including their owners, until the end of the day.

PARENTS/ GUARDIANS/ CAREGIVERS

Parents/ Guardians & Caregivers are expected to:

- Show an interest in the schooling and developmental progress of their child
- Work in partnership with the school to achieve the best possible outcomes for their child
- Support school staff in maintaining a safe and respectful learning environment for all students
- Initiate sustained, constructive communication and relationships with school staff regarding their child’s learning, wellbeing and behaviour
- Contribute positively to support plans and individualised educational plans concerning their child
- Respect the diversity of background that constitutes our school community
- Provide and promote the wearing of safety equipment when their child is using a bicycle, scooter, skateboard, etc as means of transport to and from school.

All adults on the School grounds are expected to:

- Support the Catholic ethos of the school and the Gospel Values espoused
- Conduct themselves in a lawful, ethical, safe and responsible manner that recognises and respects the rights of others

All School Staff are to comply with the Brisbane Catholic Education Staff Code of Conduct.

Any breaches of this Code of Conduct will be dealt with by the School Principal in the first instance and appropriate authorities will be contacted if necessary.

Should you have any questions with regard to any of the above you should contact the School Principal in the first instance on (07) 3902 2100.