

## POSITIVE BEHAVIOUR SUPPORT

Dear Parents/ Caregivers,

Karratha Primary School is a Positive Behaviour Support (PBS) school. This means that we approach behaviour in the same way we do English, Maths and other learning areas. We teach the children what we expect as appropriate behaviour at school and reinforce it positively by 'catching' the students doing the right thing. Students are reinforced with CPR tokens in their classroom and in the playground. 2018 is our 6<sup>th</sup> year of PBS implementation.

### As a PBS school there are several stages of implementation:

- We have defined the expected behaviours at our school. These are **Care, Personal Best and Responsibility – CPR the heart of our school.**
- We have developed the KPS Behaviour Matrix, which is a grid that shows exactly what these 3 things look like in different areas of the school, for example the classroom or playground. The PBS matrix is an evolving document – it will change as the school develops and we identify additional areas of need. Every classroom is using the matrix as their class rules.
- We teach the expected behaviours to all students. We have a collection of lessons where students are taught behaviour through modelling, practice and feedback. We also use incidental opportunities to teach behaviour, for example in the playground the duty teacher might teach students how they demonstrate care by sharing equipment with others.
- We encourage the expected behaviours with the use of CPR points and giving effective feedback. We have white CPR tokens in the playground which lead to a whole faction reward. Each classroom has their own CPR point system which is determined by the class at the beginning of the year. The students work towards milestones in their classroom. One person from each class receives an additional CPR winner award and collects a prize from the front office.
- We are currently reviewing the school's procedure for responding to unproductive behaviours. We aim to view behaviour errors as an opportunity to educate the student and reteach them the KPS expected behaviour

PBS is an evidence based framework. It aims to ensure that all students know what is expected of them at school and will therefore reduce the level of inappropriate behaviour. Some students will continue to require additional support through individual behaviour plans and there may still be incidents which require a higher level of response. Please be assured that the school still continues to take inappropriate behaviour seriously and that consequences will be put in place, if they are necessary.

The current PBS Behaviour Matrix is provided so that you know what the expectations of students are at our school. I encourage you to discuss it with your child and use the language on the matrix when talking with your child about their day. A PBS parent information session will be held towards the end of Term 1, more details will be sent home soon.

Yours truly,  
Kate Lyon  
Principal  
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