

## Anti-Bullying Policy

Updated 16/06/17

Review Date Term 1 2019

Endorsed by Governing Council

*The core business of Loxton Primary School is to promote and support teaching and learning in a safe environment. At our school everyone has the right to be safe and be treated with respect. Our anti-bullying policy links with our Loxton Primary School Bullying Pamphlet and our school values of Belonging, Caring, Learning, Persisting and Respecting. Our school focusses on staff, parents and students working together to create a safe, caring, orderly and productive learning community which supports the rights of all students to learn and all teachers to teach.*

### Physical...

using any part of the body to deliberately hurt others.

### Verbal...

anything that is said to be hurtful to others.

### Silent...

bullying by using inappropriate gestures.

### Cyber...

bullying online with texts and/or social media

### What is Bullying?

Bullying is when someone keeps hurting you or making you sad by what they say or do.

Bullying of any form, for any reason, can have long-term effects for those involved, including bystanders and will not be tolerated.

Single incidents are not defined as bullying.

### Examples of Bullying

**Physical-** hurting someone using a part of the body, taking or damaging property

**Verbal-** making fun of someone because of how they look, name calling, spreading rumors, threatening/ intimidation, using popularity to manipulate others, racial comments

**Silent-** making gestures with hands or face, ignoring, walking away, excluding, sexualized behavior (in accordance to *Responding to problem sexual behavior in children and young people*-DECD)

**Cyber-** through information and communication technologies such as the internet and mobile phones- texting, messaging, social media, photographs

