



PERSONAL GOODS POLICY

Rationale:

- Personal property is often brought to school by students, staff and visitors. Such items are uninsured by the Department of Education and Training and the school, and their loss or damage will generally be the responsibility of the owner.

Aims:

- To ensure that all people who choose to bring personal assets to school do so with the full knowledge that the Department of Education and Training or the school will generally not accept liability for their loss or damage.

Implementation:

- All staff will be made aware at the start of each year that their personal goods are not covered by insurances held by Department of Education or the school.
- Staff areas will be provided with a lockable cabinet for smaller personal items.
- Students will be made aware each year that their personal goods are not covered by insurances held by Department of Education or the school.
- The school will discourage students from bringing unnecessary personal items to school.
- Any items confiscated from students are the responsibility of the staff member who took the items, and are to be returned to the student, to their parents or given to the principal – whichever is deemed as the most appropriate.
- Any concerns relating to personal goods owned by staff, students or visitors are to be directed to the principal.

Ararat College is committed to child safety (Ministerial Order No. 870) and takes all reasonable steps to ensure that the safety of our students is paramount.

This policy was last ratified by School Council in June 2019
This policy is due for review in....

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