



The Caves State School Anti Bullying Contract

We agree to work together to enhance the quality of relationships in our community at The Caves State School. It is through intentional consideration of our behaviour and communication that we can reduce the occurrence of bullying, and improve the quality of the schooling experience for everyone.

The agreed national definition for Australian schools describes bullying as

- ongoing and deliberate misuse of power in relationships through repeated verbal, physical and/or social behaviour that intends to cause physical, social and/or psychological harm;
- involving an individual or a group misusing their power, or perceived power, over one or more persons who feel unable to stop it from happening;
- happening in person or online, via various digital platforms and devices and it can be obvious (overt) or hidden (covert). Bullying behaviour is repeated, or has the potential to be repeated, over time (for example, through sharing of digital records);
- having immediate, medium and long-term effects on those involved, including bystanders. Single incidents and conflict or fights between equals, whether in person or online, are not defined as bullying.

We believe that no one deserves to be mistreated and that everyone regardless of race, colour, religion, immigration status, nationality, size, gender, popularity, athletic capability, academic outcomes, social ability, intelligence, or any other distinguishing feature has the right to feel safe, secure, and respected.

I agree to:

- **Treat everyone with kindness and respect.**
- **Abide by the school's anti-bullying policies and procedures.**
- **Support individuals who have been bullied.**
- **Speak out against verbal, relational, physical bullying and cyber bullying.**
- **Notify a parent, teacher, or school administrator when bullying does occur.**

Student's signature _____

Parent's signature _____

School representative signature _____

Date: ____/____/____