

## St Gerard Majella School

# Collectables, Sporting Equipment and Toys Policy

## **PREAMBLE**

Students often bring collectable items (football cards, marbles etc), sporting equipment and toys to School and this can result in loss, disputes or distractions from learning. Rather than simply implementing a blanket ban on such items as they can be used in the classroom for learning purposes (show and tell, science, and other subjects), we choose to adopt a strategy that encourages a responsible attitude by students toward such items at School.

## **POLICY**

St Gerard Majella School encourages the responsible management of collectable items, sporting equipment and toys brought to School by students. The School takes no responsibility for their loss or damage or injury.

#### **VALUES**

Justice, Respect, Fairness, Responsibility, Peace, Joy, Community, Equity, Sense of Wonder, Tolerance.

PRINCIPLES Collectables, sporting equipment and toys are the responsibility of the student. Parents will be informed of this procedure and advised not to let their child bring things to School if they are concerned about loss or damage.

- At no time will students be allowed to swap collectables unless approved by the Principal.
- Collectables, sporting equipment or toys are to remain in classrooms or school bags.
  The only exception is soft balls such as hand balls, tennis balls or footballs, which may be taken to use at play time.
- If collectables, sporting equipment or toys are used at inappropriate times they will be confiscated and returned to the student at the end of the day.
- On the second occasion if collectables, sporting equipment or toys are used at inappropriate times they will be confiscated and parents contacted to collect the item/s from the School office.
- Where possible, items brought to school should be labelled with the student's name.

#### **EVALUATION**

This policy is to be reviewed as part of the School's renewal cycle.

This policy was last ratified by School Board on 26 July 2017.



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