Policy M303

**Behaviour Management**

**Preamble**
At St Mary's School we endeavour to create a positive school climate through discipline that uses logical and realistic consequences as well as encouraging the continuing care and respect of each child.

**Rationale**
St Mary's Behaviour Management Policy aims to promote the behaviour that is desired by the school community in line with Gospel values and the School Mission Statement. The positive approach to discipline takes into consideration the beauty of each student and provides an opportunity for each student to take part in their education.

**Values**
Students are given the opportunity to attend St Mary's School and with that opportunity comes the responsibility to respect and develop a genuine love and compassion for the dignity of all people.

**Policy**

1. **The 5 Keys to Success:** For students to be successful they need to develop the 5 Keys to Success: Confidence; Getting Along; Persistence; Resilience and Organisation. This is implemented through the Green Card System that rewards positive behaviour.

2. **Choices:** Students have the right to learn and must accept responsibility for their own behaviour. Children need to see that all behaviours have consistent, logical and realistic consequences. This is reinforced through the Green, Yellow, Orange and Red card system.

3. **Positive Reinforcement:** For a student to achieve their full potential and to promote greater well being, St Mary encourages positive habits of the mind. We recognise that because we are human we may fail from time to time. The children will learn to recognise their choice, be reconciled with God and one another and use this experience to grow in a positive way. This is reinforced by “The Virtues Program,” “You Can Do It” and the St Mary’s Behaviour Management Procedures.

**Implementation Issues**
- Staff will attend an Inservice on Behaviour Management Procedures on a yearly basis.
- Parents will be provided with ongoing information about their child’s behaviour.
- Students and Parents will be educated on the Card Systems.
- It is expected that parents will support the Behaviour Management Programs.

**Reflection Material**
- Virtues Program
- You Can Do It
- St Mary's Behaviour Management Procedures