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Child Protection – Students

Every student has the right to feel safe and free from harm while at Shalom Christian College. We expect you to respect your teachers and other students and we expect that you will receive the same respect in return. You should **never** allow yourself to feel unsafe without reporting it to someone you trust.

Who should I tell if I am not feeling safe at College, in Boarding or at home?

You should tell anyone on staff. If you do not feel like talking to a member of staff you may like to write him or her letter.

What will happen if I report what is happening to a member a staff?

If the concern is worrying you but not causing you immediate harm, then the member of staff will discuss with you ways to solve your problem. If the concern is serious and the member of staff believes that you are being harmed or in danger of being harmed, he or she will report it to me (the Principal).

What if I don't want the member of staff to tell the Principal?

The member of staff will try to keep your concerns confidential as much as possible. However, if the member of staff is aware or reasonably suspects that harm has been caused by anyone to a student of the College then the law says that the matter must be reported to the Principal and it may have to be reported to the Police. If the staff member has no choice about reporting what you have told them to some-one else he or she will explain to you exactly what will happen next.

Remember the most important thing is that you feel safe and free from harm. You must tell someone if you are being harmed or afraid that you will be harmed.

Chris Shirley
Principal

SCC Child Protection Information

I, _____ (Print Name), declared that I have discussed the

SCC Child Protection policy

with the students in my class _____ (name of Class/ PC group)

on _____ (date) and that I have distributed the letter

printed on the reverse side of this page to all students in my class or PC group.

Signed: _____

Date: _____