

## *Learning and Teaching Policy*

Ratified by 2005

### Rationale

- The Flemington Primary School educational community encourages a love of learning and a spirit of enquiry.
- Flemington Primary School recognises that each child is unique, and that all children exhibit a wide range of abilities, interests and learning styles.
- We recognise and value individuality and provide appropriate, challenging experiences that encourage the child to aspire to deep levels of learning and the development of self esteem, confidence and ultimately independence.

### Aims:

Within the context of studies in the key learning areas to:

- Provide a positive atmosphere that will motivate students to learn and foster their sense of individual worth;
- Develop an understanding of the values, attributes, knowledge, attitudes and practices that contribute to a democratic society fostering a sense of social justice and preparing for participation and tolerance in a multicultural society;
- Develop an understanding that the attitudes, knowledge, skills and interactions of the individual, group, school and community help to provide a preparation for effective team/community membership;
- Implement an assessment program which is both formative and summative and informs, as much as possible, each child's academic, social, emotional and physical development when planning programs and learning and teaching strategies;
- Teach communication skills, especially the inter-relationship of reading, writing, listening and speaking, and an understanding of the range of verbal and non verbal communication which forms the basis of human thought and interaction;
- Teach the skills and strategies to extend the student's critical, analytical and creative thinking capabilities;
- Teach planning and design skills and an understanding of the place of goal setting, reasoning and imagination in problem solving and undertaking projects in all areas of learning;
- Develop information skills which involve the capacity to recognise a need for information, to know how and where to find from a range of sources, and how to evaluate and/or select, use and share with others.

The Flemington Primary School Program is offered through learning programs that focus on the nature and experience of the child and the quality of the relationship between child, teacher and parents.