



INFORMATION ABOUT OUR PASTORAL SUPPORT WORKER

Nion Dewick is the Pastoral Support Worker at Goodwood Primary School.

Nion is at our school on **Tuesday & Wednesday** [9:30am - 2:30pm]

Her role is to,

- Provide pastoral support for the school in its aim to be a safe and supportive learning environment and so Nion contributes through involvement in a range of activities such as camps, excursions and lunchtime groups, and can provide support to individual students and in small groups with the consent of their parent (see below)
- Link families to community resources and services by providing information about support and services provided through community groups, including church groups.

Nion does not promote nor discriminate on the grounds of any particular ideology, but works to enable a supportive, inclusive and caring learning environment with the school for all students.

Nion can be contacted by phoning the Front Office on (08) 8271 2280 or by email

Nion.Dewick220@schools.sa.edu.au.

Consent for my child to work with the Pastoral Support Worker.

For many years Pastoral Support Workers, previously known as Chaplains, have worked in a number of South Australian Government Schools. Their work is framed by an agreement between DEEWR and the Heads of Churches Schools Ministry Coordinating Group (SMG).

As you will be aware, as a result of the current government's strong commitment to Child Protection, stringent conditions of appointment and workplace processes now apply to all adults working with children. The current agreement in relation to the Pastoral Support Program reflects this and requires that students must have written informed parental consent before obtaining **individual personal assistance** from a person working in the school's Pastoral Support Program.

Your class teacher has discussed with you a suggested intervention Nion can work on with _____ either individually or in a small group. For this to go ahead we need your consent. Can you please complete the form below and return it to school?

Belinda Adams
Principal

Joanne D'Etorre
Assistant Principal

If you would like your child to access individual personal assistance or participate in a small group with Nion please complete this form and return it to the school.

Student Name/s _____
Class/es _____

I give consent for my child to seek and obtain individual personal assistance or to participate in a small group with the Pastoral Support Worker at Goodwood Primary School.

I understand that teachers retain over-riding duty of care for students in such circumstances. Therefore Nion is required to confidentially inform teaching staff of all matters related to duty of care and student learning, health and wellbeing and will ensure my child is aware of the scope and limits of privacy and confidentiality in any conversation at which a teacher is not present. I am aware too that Nion is a mandated notifier in relation to child protection

Signed: _____

Date: _____