

## **Devonport Primary School**

### **Board of Trustees: Code of Conduct**

Each member of the Board of Trustees agrees to:

1. Ensure the needs of all students and their achievement is paramount.
2. Act in good faith and in the best interests of the school and the community.
3. Be loyal to the school and serve the school faithfully.
4. Act fairly and reasonably towards the Principal, staff, parents and students and to treat them with respect and courtesy.
5. Maintain strict confidentiality of non-public information acquired in their role as trustees, including Board papers and information relating to the Board's position as employer.
6. Be diligent and attend Board meetings prepared for full and appropriate participation on decision-making.
7. Ensure that individual trustees do not act independently of the Board and its decisions.
8. Maintain the trust and confidence reposed in trustees.
9. Speak with one voice through the Board's adopted policies and ensure that any disagreements with the Board's stance are resolved within the Board.
10. Avoid putting themselves in a position where their duties to the school and their own personal interest may conflict.
11. Acknowledge the lack of authority in any individual trustee (or subgroup of the Board) in any interaction with the Principal or staff.
12. Recognise that only the Chair can speak for the Board.
13. Continually self-monitor their individual performance as trustees against policies.

BOT Member: \_\_\_\_\_

Signed: \_\_\_\_\_

Dated: \_\_\_\_\_