

2.25 HIV & AIDS STATEMENT

Human Immunodeficiency Virus (HIV) and Acquired Immunodeficiency Syndrome (AIDS)

- Children who are HIV infected should not be excluded from the school or isolated within the school.
- Employees who are HIV infected are expected to take the necessary precautions to prevent transmission of the virus to other employees and children at the school.
- Confidentiality concerning adults and children involved in the school must be maintained.
- Lindfield Montessori School supports the co-operation of health, welfare and education agencies in developing preventative strategies to help limit the spread of HIV infection in the community.
- Lindfield Montessori School supports education programs that provide accurate information on HIV/AIDS to parents, staff and management committees in early childhood services.
- The Nominated Supervisor should refer parents to the appropriate agencies if necessary to provide information relating to HIV and its influence on childcare, i.e. breastfeeding, immunisation.
- Harassment of any type, including harassment regarding a medical condition should not occur within the school. The Nominated Supervisor should ensure that the school provides a supportive, confidential and non-threatening environment for the children, their parents and for staff.

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