



South Thornlie Primary School
Independent Public School

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Dear Parents and Caregivers,

The Department of Education requires all schools to adhere to the Student Behaviour in Public Schools Policy and Procedures and The Minister of Education directives. The Minister of Education, Hon Dr Tony Buti, in his commitment to keep our schools safe places for learning, issued the statement of 'Standing Together Against Violence' which articulates the actions and expectations for Principals, staff and their communities to make schools safe places for teaching and learning.

Two key actions from this statement are:

- Action One - Principals to automatically suspend students who attack other students, start fights or instigate fights.
- Action Six – Principals to implement good standing requirements inclusive of loss of good standing due to behaviour and privileges being removed.

Student and staff safety is paramount, and we will adhere to these actions. For further details on this statement, please visit our school website: www.souththornlieps.wa.edu.au

Good Standing

The Student Behaviour in Public Schools Policy and Procedures requires all schools to establish and implement a Good Standing Strategy as part of a comprehensive whole school approach to promoting positive behaviour and ensuring a safe, respectful learning environment for all students.

Students with good standing are eligible to participate in a wide range of identified good standing activities and roles. When an activity is classified as a Good Standing event or role, this will be clearly communicated to parents and caregivers.

Please note - for the End of Year Reward Day, Year 6 Camp, Year 6 Graduation and Year 6 Big Day Out, students will **not** be able to participate if they have lost their Good Standing **three** times or do not have Good Standing on the day of the event. For Year 6 leaders if they lose their Good Standing a **second** time, the right to represent the school will be removed for the remainder of the year.

For further explanation on the STPS Good Standing Strategy please see overleaf. For a copy of our STPS Behaviour Management Policy please visit our school website: www.souththornlieps.wa.edu.au

Kind regards

Megan Barnett
Principal



South Thornlie Primary School Good Standing Strategy

The Good Standing Strategy is part of our school's Behaviour Management Policy and is one of the ways South Thornlie encourages our students to consistently demonstrate respect for the values and rules at our school.

Students with Good Standing status are eligible to participate in a wide range of identified Good Standing activities and roles. A list of identified Good Standing events, activities and student leadership roles is provided below. When an activity is classified as a Good Standing event, this will be clearly conveyed in notes and communications to parents and caregivers.

Good Standing Events, Activities and Roles

At South Thornlie Primary School, we have identified the following Good Standing events, activities, and roles:

- Interschool Sports
- Mega Play (in the middle and end of each term)
- Robotics (after school program)
- Good Standing activities (in class)
- Identified activities, incursions, and excursions. *Please note excursions and incursions are usually part of the curriculum and generally will NOT be good standing events unless otherwise identified and communicated with staff, parents, and students prior to the event.*

GOOD STANDING ACTIVITIES, EVENTS AND ROLES WITH A GOOD STANDING LOSS LIMIT

Whole School End of Year Reward Day

All students who maintain their Good Standing status throughout the year will be invited to participate in an End of Year Reward Day.

If a student loses their Good Standing status **three** times throughout the year, they will **not** be permitted to attend the End of Year Good Standing Reward Day event.

Students must be in Good Standing to attend the End of Year Reward Day.

Year 6 Camp, Graduation Dinner and Big Day Out

If a Year 6 student loses their Good Standing status **three** times within a year, they will lose their camp, graduation dinner and big day out attendance privileges.

Year 6 Student Leadership Roles

The first time a Student Leader, Student Ambassador or Faction Captain loses their Good Standing status, they will lose their badge and their right to represent the school until their Good Standing status is regained.

If they lose their Good Standing a **second** time, the right to represent the school as a Student Leader, Student Ambassador or Faction Captain will be removed for the remainder of the year.

All events classed as 'Good Standing' events will be clearly communicated in all notes.

Good Standing Status

Students are automatically granted Good Standing status at the start of the school year. To maintain this status, students must always comply with school rules.

Losing Good Standing

A student's Good Standing status will be withdrawn following consultation between Administration and the class teacher for the following reasons:

- Suspension and / or
- Accumulated 90 minutes of detention

Regaining Good Standing

When Good Standing is lost, a Good Standing Passport will be provided to assist the student to earn back their Good Standing status.



Passport should be signed or stamped for each day attended with no detention/suspension.				
<i>* Days should be <u>consecutive</u> (aside from absences). If a detention or suspension is received a new passport should be issued.</i>				
Name:			Class:	
Day 1	Day 2	Day 3	Day 4	Day 5
Date	Date	Date	Date	Date
Signed/stamped	Signed/stamped	Signed/stamped	Signed/stamped	Signed/stamped

Good Standing status is regained by a student demonstrating appropriate classroom and playground behaviours and making responsible choices for **five** consecutive school days with no suspensions or detentions.

Good Standing status is automatically reinstated at the start of each term.

Please note:

For the End of Year Reward Day, Year 6 Camp, Year 6 Graduation and Year 6 Big Day Out, students will **not** be able to participate if they have lost their Good Standing **three** times.

These events are exempt from students 'regaining' their Good Standing status.

Communication

On the loss of Good Standing status students and parent/caregivers will be informed.

Students who lose their Good Standing status will lose the right to attend any identified Good Standing activities until such times as their Good Standing status is regained.