

## Girraween Public School

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## **Ethics Classes at Girraween Public School**

**Dear Parents** 

Could you be an Ethics teacher for Girraween Public School?

We are asking for parents to volunteer to deliver the Ethics program because we don't have enough volunteers to support all the children who enrolled into Ethics for SRE/SEE class.

In Ethics classes, children are encouraged to reflect on their own reasoning, to critically evaluate arguments (those of others as well as their own), and to understand that sometimes disagreeing is ok so long as it is done respectfully.

Children discuss topic such as:

- imagining how others feel,
- how do we treat living things?
- what is laziness?
- what is fairness?

Ethics classes have a philosophical emphasis and are quite different from what some parents expect based on the name alone. More information about Ethics classes is available at <a href="https://www.primaryethics.com.au">www.primaryethics.com.au</a>

The curriculum for Ethics classes is detailed and specific. It is developed by a not-for-profit organisation called Primary Ethics and has been evaluated and approved by the Department of Education. Volunteer Ethics teachers are expected to follow the curriculum closely.

Parents who volunteer to become Ethics teachers receive in-depth training from Primary Ethics. Training consists of a two-day workshop and on-line computer-based modules. On-going support for volunteers after their initial training has been completed is available from Primary Ethics. All lesson materials are provided to volunteers who have completed training as digital downloads from the Primary Ethics website.

The time slot for SRE/SEE at Girraween Public School is **Thursday morning**. To become a volunteer Ethics teacher at Girraween Public School you must be available at this time for the whole school year.

If you are looking for an opportunity to make a valuable contribution to our school, please visit <a href="www.primaryethics.com.au">www.primaryethics.com.au</a> to register your interest or contact Peter Dulimov, at <a href="girraween.ethics@gmail.com">girraween.ethics@gmail.com</a> or on 0421 823 544.

Yours sincerely

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