

## **BUS CODE OF BEHAVIOUR**

**WHILE TRAVELLING ON SCHOOL BUSES:** The bus driver is responsible for the safety of passengers in the bus, therefore the students using the bus must follow all safety rules.

**CODE OF CONDUCT:** Each student must remain in his /her seat for the entire journey, unless requested to move by the driver. Seating will usually be allocated such that the youngest are seated towards the front of the bus. Students should as much as possible sit in the same area on each journey.

Shouting, throwing things, spitting, swearing, fighting, unwelcome hand gestures or other boisterous behaviour which may distract the driver from concentrating on the driving task is strictly forbidden.

At home stops, before crossing the road, wait until the yellow bus safety lights have gone off before you cross.

### **CONSEQUENCES FOR BREAKING THESE RULES:**

**First Breach:** The student will be reminded that the code of behaviour has been breached. If the student makes a sincere commitment not to break the rules again and the breach is not major, no further action will be taken.

**Further Breaches:** The driver will report the student to the Assistant Principal and negotiate with them the action to be taken.

The bus contractor will notify the parents that his/her child behaved inappropriately on the bus and broken the Bus Code of Behaviour. The student may be suspended from the bus. If suspended from the bus, the student must agree to observe the rules if they are to resume travel on the bus. The parent or student must contact the driver prior to recommencing travel.

It is recognised that all parents want their children to travel to school in as safe a manner as possible. The driver must be able to concentrate on his/her main task which is driving the bus. Therefore students who persist in breaking the rules outlined in this code of behaviour must understand that they will not be permitted to travel on the school buses. The school supports bus contractors in ensuring all students are able to travel to and from school in safety.