



# PERSONAL PROPERTY POLICY



## Help for non-English speakers

If you need help to understand the information in this policy please contact the college office on 5352 4177.

## PURPOSE

To explain Ararat College's policy in relation to personal property and to ensure that special or valuable items of personal property are not brought to school.

## SCOPE

This policy applies to all school activities, including camps and excursions.

## POLICY

Ararat College understands that staff and/or students may sometimes like to bring items of personal property to school.

The Department of Education and Training does not have insurance for personal property of staff, students and visitors. Ararat College does not take responsibility for items of personal property that are lost, stolen or damaged at school or during school activities. Damage to personal property brought to school is the responsibility of the owner of that property.

Ararat College encourages staff and students not to bring items of value to school, or to obtain appropriate insurance for such items.

If students bring items of value to school, they will be confiscated and stored securely at the School Office until the end of the day, when the items may be collected by the student and/or parent.

## COMMUNICATION

This policy will be communicated to our school community in the following ways:

- Available publicly on our school's website (or insert other online parent/carer/student communication method)
- Included in staff handbook/manual
- Discussed at annual staff briefings/meetings
- Included in transition and enrolment packs
- Hard copy available from school administration upon request

## RELATED POLICIES AND RESOURCES

- the Department's Policy and Advisory Library (PAL):
  - [Claims for Property Damage and Medical Expenses](#)

## EVALUATION

This policy will be reviewed annually by School Council to confirm/enhance internal control procedures.

Proposed amendments to this policy will be discussed with School Council and the Finance Sub Committee.

## POLICY REVIEW AND APPROVAL

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| Policy last reviewed       | May 2024       |
| Approved by                | School Council |
| Next scheduled review date | May 2027       |