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## For Your Information – Child Protection and Child Safety Officers

Our commitment to keeping children safe in our school is a strong feature of The Geelong College.

We demonstrate this commitment through ongoing good work and practices that keep children safe and protected in our community.

To support all staff and students we have a designated Child Safety Officer in each school. This person is the Head of School in each case.

Senior School – Simon Young Middle School – Leanne Russell Campbell House – Sondra Wood

The Child Safety Officer (Head of School) is the person to hear or be informed about all allegations or concerns relating to child safety. The Child Safety Officer also provides support for other personnel. They provide a single contact for children, parents and employees/volunteers to seek advice and support regarding the safety and wellbeing of children associated with The Geelong College.

The wellbeing of our students is central to the existing pastoral care program and structure at The Geelong College. The role of Child Safety Officer sits most appropriately within the role of the Head of School who is well supported by an effective pastoral system. It is imperative any concerns from employees/volunteers are passed on to the Head of School so they can assist in maintaining good practices and child safety.

Child safety is our shared responsibility. Please continue to be vigilant and maintain high standards of pastoral care to ensure children of The Geelong College are safe and protected in our community.

Yours sincerely

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