# COMMUNITY CONSULTATION

**Rationale:**
It is important to ensure that the School community is consulted on matters as is appropriate. This will foster community partnership which is essential to the growth and development of individual's and groups of students.

**Purpose:**
1. The Board of Trustees shows a commitment to maintain a community and School partnership through effective communication.

2. The Board of Trustees will actively encourage parents, caregivers and the community to be involved with the activities of the School.

3. The Board of Trustees will foster a positive School environment in which students will feel supported and in which parents/caregivers, staff and the community work towards shared goals.

4. The Board of Trustees will ensure there is appropriate consultation with groups of parents as required by the National Administrative Guidelines. Other groups will be consulted as deemed necessary.

5. Supported by the Board of Trustees, the School as a whole will demonstrate an open and welcoming atmosphere that acknowledges the importance of parent/caregiver/School partnerships.

6. The Board of Trustees actively promotes a high level of open communication with the Board of Proprietors and the Management of Tolcarne Boarding Residence, in the best interests of all students.

7. Each year, the Principal will through the Annual Report, prepare a report on the process of consultation undertaken for that year and will report on the outcomes of that consultation.

8. As part of the Charter, the Principal, in conjunction with the Board of Trustees, will prepare an Operational Plan which outlines the annual goals for community consultation for that year.

**Review:**
1. This Policy will be reviewed by the Board of Trustees in accordance with its self-review guidelines and timetable.

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| Policy Written | **June 2003** | (Date) |
| Policy reviewed | **17 May 2007** | (Date) |
| Policy reviewed | **13 August 2014** | (Date) |
| Policy reviewed | | (Date) |
| Signed | | (Chairperson, Board of Trustees) |

20 March 2015 10:07 AM