

Dear QSI Parents,

One of Quality Schools International's core components is providing a positive, safe, and supportive environment in each of our schools. Quality Schools International (QSI) believes it is imperative that children have a safe and secure environment in which to develop, thrive, and be successful, regardless of ethnicity, religion, or cultural heritage. Because of this belief, QSI has adopted the Keeping Safe: Child Protection Curriculum (KS:CPC). This curriculum is in alignment with the QSI Success Orientations and the QSI Child Safeguarding and Protection Policy.

QSI chose to implement KS:CPC because it is an evidence-based, best practice curriculum developed collaboratively with child protection experts, teachers, educational leaders, and other professionals. The curriculum was developed by the Government of South Australia Department of Education and has since been adopted by many international schools. We use the global version of the curriculum which is designed specifically for use in international schools.

The KS:CPC is a part of the school's child safeguarding and protection plan to ensure the safety of our students. Each QSI school has a teacher-trainer assigned to the school who completed the KS:CPC Train-the-Trainer Workshop provided by the South Australia Department of Education. The QSI teachers delivering the program to the students will receive explicit training in the use of the curriculum by the school's teacher-trainer.

The KS:CPC is predicated on two main themes which are presented through topics and activities of increasing complexity. The two KS:CPC Themes are:

- Theme 1: We all have the right to be safe
- Theme 2: We can help ourselves to be safe by talking to people we trust

The two KS:CPC Themes are explored through four Focus Areas, which are examined in growing complexity according to the age of the students. The four KS:CPC Focus Areas are:

- Focus Area 1: The right to be safe
- Focus Area 2: Relationships
- Focus Area 3: Recognizing and reporting abuse
- Focus Area 4: Protective strategies

We encourage parents to provide the classroom teacher with any information about your child that may be relevant to classroom lessons and discussions.

Please explore information for parents and caregivers on the KS:CPC website: [Child Protection Curriculum – Information for Parents and Caregivers](#)

The courses are aligned as follows:

Ages 3-5 = Preschool

Years R-2 = 5-year-old through 7-year-old classes

Years 3-5 = 8-year-old through 10-year-old classes

Years 6-9 = 11-year-old through Secondary I classes

Years 10-12 = Secondary II through Secondary IV classes

Please contact your school Director if you have any questions about the curriculum.

Yours Sincerely,
QSI Headquarters Child Protection Team