## Application Form and Procedures

St Brendan’s and St Mary’s Schools are committed to child safety and are legally required to obtain the following information about a person whom it proposes to engage to perform child-connected work:

1. Working with Children Check status, or similar check
2. Proof of personal identity and any professional or other qualifications
3. The person’s history of work involving children
4. References that address the person’s suitability for the job and working with children
5. Letter of Application

It is a requirement that all applicants complete this form. You must complete all parts of the form. Any false or incomplete statement or information in this form or in connection with your application for employment may lead to a rejection of your application for employment. Any information provided by you in this form may be checked by the prospective employer with relevant authorities, previous employers, referees or sources. By signing or submitting this form you consent to these pre-employment checks. Information provided will be treated in accordance with the Privacy Act 1988.

### Position

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| Name of the position you are applying for |  |
| How did you hear about this employment vacancy? (Newspaper, website etc) |  |

### Personal Details

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| Given Name(s) |  |
| Surname |  |
| Preferred Contact Phone Number |  |
| Home |  |
| Mobile |  |
| Work |  |
| VIT Registration Number (or N/A) |  |

### Referees

Please list a minimum of 3 referees:

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| Name | **Nature of relationship (ie. direct/current report)** | **Place of employment** | **Contact details** |
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### Pre-Employment Disclosure Questions

It is an inherent requirement of the position that you be a person suitable to work in child-connected work. Each of the following questions are relevant to the prospective employer understanding and determining your likely ability to carry out the inherent requirements of the advertised position. You must answer each question.

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| 1. Have you ever had any disciplinary action taken against you by an employer (e.g. received a warning or had your employment terminated) in relation to any inappropriate or unprofessional conduct?
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| 🞏 NO 🞏 YES If yes, please provide details: |
| 1. Have you ever been the subject of an allegation of inappropriate or unprofessional conduct which has been substantiated by an employer or other body?
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| 🞏 NO 🞏 YES If yes, please provide details: |
| 1. Have you ever been found guilty of a criminal offence or are you currently facing criminal charges?
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| 🞏 NO 🞏 YES If yes, please provide details: |
| 1. Do you consent to the prospective employer contacting the appropriate person at any or all of your current or former employers (including any retired person who at the relevant time may have been employed by a former employer) to confirm the accuracy of your answers in questions 1–3 above and to ask about your suitability to work with children?
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| 🞏 NO 🞏 YES If No, this will be discussed further if you are offered an interview. |
| 1. Is there any reason why you would not be able to undertake the inherent requirements of the position?
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| 🞏 NO 🞏 YES  |
| 1. Do you have a current Working with Children Check?
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| 🞏 NO – I agree to obtain and/or consent to Bungaree Parish Schools obtaining a check 🞏 YES  |
| 1. Do you have a current National Police Check?
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| 🞏 NO – I agree to obtain and/or consent to Bungaree Parish Schools obtaining a check 🞏 YES  |

### Applicant Declaration

I declare that the contents of this form are true and correct and complete to the best of my knowledge and no information concerning my employment history has been withheld.

I understand that any wilfully incorrect or misleading answer or material omission which relates to any of the questions in this form may make me ineligible for employment, or if employed, liable to disciplinary action which may include dismissal.

I understand that all applicants are required to undergo background screening which may include a National Police Record Check. I consent to such screening and checks in connection with my application for employment. I consent to the prospective employer making inquiries of any current and/or previous employers in connection to the information and answers I have provided in this form to verify the accuracy of the information in this form and to confirm my ability to carry out the inherent requirements of the position including my suitability to perform child-connected work. I understand and accept that my appointment to this position requires compliance with the school's child-safe policy and code of conduct. I have read and understand the school's child-safe policy and code of conduct.

I understand and accept that my appointment to this position requires a commitment to Catholic Education. I have read and understand the Statement of Principles regarding
Catholic Education.

**Signature**\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ **Date**\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Please return a copy of this application and accompanying documentation to:

**ATTENTION:** Inez French, Principal

**St Mary’s Primary School St Brendan’s Primary School**

131 Powells Rd 1 Ti Tree Rd

Clarkes Hill Victoria 3352 Dunnstown Victoria 3352

Or via email to: ifrench@sbdunnstown.catholic.edu.au

## Application Process

The selection and appointment of Bungaree Parish Schools staff are conducted according to the policy and procedures of the Bungaree Parish Schools. Bungaree Parish Schools personnel will seek to observe those procedures and your confidentiality at all times throughout the selection and appointment process.

We advise that:

* Your application will be acknowledged as soon as it is received.
* You will be informed of the progress of your application after short-listing.
* If selected for an interview, you will be contacted first by phone and an email confirming this will follow.
* Applications of shortlisted candidates and reports from referees will be held until the end of the current year, at which time they will be destroyed.
* The application and reports from referees for the successful applicant will be held on file by the Bungaree Parish Schools.

We ask that your application for this position includes:

* Personal/cover letter
* Application form obtained from the schools website
* Curriculum vitae
* Current VIT registration

**Vision & Mission Statement**

Our School Vision

As learning communities who are part of the Christian mission we have the task to promote the full dignity and development of all people. We are dedicated to children learning at high levels within a culture that optimizes learning for all. We will use contemporary teaching practices in all areas – academic, physical, spiritual, emotional and social – as we pass on the beliefs and traditions of our Catholic faith in an environment of care, which reflects the values of the gospel.

Our School Mission

As a community, which is Christ-centred, we will:

* nurture and build a RESPECTFUL community which is engaged in a dynamic, creative learning journey in child safe schools.
* support the development of a community of INDEPENDENT and RESILIENT citizens where learning is highly valued.
* provide an INCLUSIVE, relevant, stimulating and challenging curriculum structured around personalised learning.
* provide relevant and PURPOSEFUL feedback to our students and their families so that both school and home work together to support the child’s learning.
* build POSITIVE RELATIONSHIPS through knowing and valuing each student.
* work in COLLABORATIVE PARTNERSHIPS with our families, students and our colleagues across both schools, our Parish, our Diocese and local and wider communities.
* promote JUSTICE, ACCOUNTABILITY and HONESTY through the building of a sense of responsibility to self and other

### Child Protection in our Schools

"St Brendan’s and St Mary’s Primary Schools are committed to providing a safe and supportive environment for people of all ages, with special concern for children, young people and vulnerable adults."

In both schools, child safety policy and practices support a proactive role in the care, wellbeing and protection of children and young people, the provision of child safe environments and intervention procedures for responding to abuse and neglect.

The Schools’Child Protection Policy and Child Safety Code of Conduct are available on our websites:
[www.smclarkeshill.catholic.edu.au](http://www.ceob.edu.au/publications/child-protection/) or [www.sbdunnstown.catholic.edu.au](http://www.sbdunnstown.catholic.edu.au)

### Selection and Appointment of Staff

The Principal is the responsible party in the matter of selection and appointment of staff.

Appointments are made by the Principal following a process of advertising, shortlisting, interviewing. Proceedings of interview are confidential and no information gained from applicants shall be divulged to any person or organisation outside.

### References

Applicants are asked to provide the names and contact details of three referees to be contacted. Referees should include your current employer or an appropriate representative of that employer.

The Principal has an obligation to obtain as much credible informationas possible about each of the candidates in order to make an informed recommendation. If further references are required, a member of the interview panel will contact you to discuss this.

In seeking information, confidentiality and sensitivity to the applicant’s particular situation are carefully observed.

### Employment Collection Notice

In applying for this position, you will be providing the Principal with personal information. The Principal can be contacted at St Mary’s Primary School – 5334 5280, or at St Brendan’s - 5334 7604.

Please note:

1. If you provide either of the schools with personal information, for example, your name and address or information contained on your resume, this information will be collated in order to assess your application. If the personal information that is requested on the application form is not provided, the application cannot be considered.
2. Information concerning you may be collected from other parties. This will most commonly be those referees that you have nominated. The interview panel does reserve the right to contact other parties who may be able to assist the panel in its deliberations.
3. You agree that schools may store this information until the end of the current year.
4. You may seek access to any personal information that either school holds if you are unsuccessful for the position. However, there will be occasions when access is denied. Such occasions would include those where access would have an unreasonable impact on the privacy of others.
5. St Brendan’s or St Mary’s Schools will not disclose information about you to a third party without your consent.
6. If you provide us with the personal information of others, ie. contact numbers, we encourage you to inform them that you are disclosing this information to the schools and why. This information will not be disclosed to third parties and may be stored until the end of the current year.

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