Social Relationships @ Riverside GHS

A strengths and solutions focused approach

AB Project

The AB hierarchy assists students to evaluate their behaviours, focus on where they want to be on the hierarchy and work towards the higher level – respect or harmony.

Sort it

A set of guidelines allowing students to work together with peers to sort out issues.

Solve it

A non-punitive process of dealing with bullying. This solution focussed approach has been very successful in reducing the reoccurrence of mean behaviours by entrusting students to take responsibility and challenging them to solve the situation.

Mediation

An impartial third party facilitates either an informal discussion between conflicting students or formally organised mediation sessions.

Mentoring

A student is matched with a teacher they identify to facilitate ongoing personal support and guidance.

Stages System

A five stage strategy to help students gain a sense of personal responsibility for their learning and behaviour. Students are provided with the opportunity to improve their behaviour and move off a stage quickly or continue behaving inappropriately and remain on the stage. A student whose behaviour is unacceptable may be fast-tracked to Stage 3, 4 or 5.

Strengths & solutions approach

The focus of discussions with students becomes 'what is working' rather than 'what's the problem', this with future focused questions invites students to build a picture of how they want things to be. The approach empowers students by focusing on what they can do to succeed – their strengths - rather than what the problem is.

Integration into the curriculum
English, PDH, ICT, VA

Special Programs
- **Techno Bullying**
- **Cyber Bullying**
- **Cooling Conflict**