Doncaster Gardens Primary School
Sensitive Reading Material Policy

Philosophical Basis:
Sensitive reading material will be available in the library for students to access under parental supervision and guidance to foster the exploration of sensitive topics and issues in accordance with individual family values.

Guidelines:
- Books classified by the teaching staff as being Sensitive Reading Material will be available for family borrowing under parental guidance.
- Topics may be suggested by parents as being suitable for the Sensitive Reading Material section of the library.
- Sensitive Reading Material will be shelved in the Teacher Resource section.

Implementation:
- All Sensitive Reading Material will be classified and catalogued using the library automation system.
- Access to Sensitive Reading Material will be under parental supervision.
- Sensitive Reading Material will be managed by the library technician to maintain relevance and appropriateness for user’s need.
- Subjects available in the Sensitive Reading Material section will be communicated to parents via the newsletter, with updates twice per year, and parents will be invited to make suggestions as to suitable additions to the collection.

Evaluation:
- The library technician will conduct ongoing evaluation of the appropriateness of the Sensitive Reading Material, in consultation with the Student Welfare Committee.
- Observation of community interest and borrowing trends may be evaluated by a member of staff.
- The community can approach the school to suggest ideas for sensitive reading material.
- This policy will be reviewed every three years as part of the policy review cycle.

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