## Statement of Commitment to Child Safety



At St Marys Rugby League Club, the safety, well-being, and holistic development of every child in our community are our highest priorities. We deeply value every child who becomes part of our club, and we are steadfast in our commitment to creating an environment where they feel safe, respected, and genuinely valued.

To keep children safe, we commit to:

- Implementing the <u>10 Child Safe Standards</u>
- Providing a secure, nurturing, and supportive environment for all children.
- Ensuring that children are not subjected to any form of harm, abuse, or inappropriate conduct.
- Empowering children to participate in decisions that affect them and to voice any concerns confidently.
- Making sure children know who to approach if they feel unsafe or have any child safety concerns.

## As a child safe organisation, we commit to:

- Educating everyone involved in our club about what it means to be a child safe organisation, so that we can prevent, detect and effectively respond to any instances of child abuse.
- Making sure everyone involved in our organisation knows how to appropriately respond to complaints, allegations, disclosures and breaches to our Child Safe Code of Conduct.
- Welcoming feedback to continuously improve our child safe policies, procedures and practices.
- Ensure that when family and community members interact with our club, they are aware that child safety is everyone's responsibility, and their behaviour aligns with our child safe practices.
- Conducting regular reviews of our safeguarding measures to ensure they meet or exceed best practice standards.

**Our commitment to child safety is the foundation of all that we do.** By protecting children, we nurture not only future rugby league stars but also confident, secure, and compassionate individuals who are equipped to make a meaningful impact in the community. Together, we are united in ensuring that every child who becomes a part of our club can do so with the assurance that they are safe, empowered, and truly valued.