

## The Pat Cronin Foundation Be Wise Education Program

Thank you for requesting information about the Pat Cronin Foundation Classroom Resources. The information below gives a description of these resources and their position in the Pat Cronin Foundation Education program for the whole of school.

The Education Program comprises four parts, designed to be effective alone, but engaged together they build a comprehensive whole of school approach to Educating about the Coward Punch.

1. **Be Wise Story Books** for primary school aged children. Designed to introduce them to the consequences of rough behaviour and how to behave in other ways.
2. **Be Wise Auditorium Presentation**. Presented by a Pat Cronin Foundation education presenter, designed to introduce the issues to secondary students in larger groups.
3. **Be Wise Classroom Resource**. These cover the Auditorium issues in more detail. Presented by a class teacher over one or more sessions this introduces the students to the issues and allows them to investigate through group discussion and individual reflection their own thoughts, understandings emotions and actions around anger, aggression, and conflict.
4. **Be Wise Pat Cronin Documentary**. This professional documentary takes the viewer through Pat's story as movingly told by his family and friends. A documentary screening can be a highly effective way for the whole school community and parents to engage with the messages their children are working with and re-enforce the messages by broader discussion beyond the classroom

\*Prices provided in line with particulars of bookings.

## The Pat Cronin Foundation Be Wise Classroom Resource.

We will provide your school with access to all appropriate Be Wise Resources selected.

Additional resources will also be made available as they are developed. We plan to develop new materials in response to feedback and requests from schools to ensure our resources always reflect what is happening for students.

Our materials are designed to link to the Victorian Curriculum: F-10 Personal and Social Capability topics.

The Personal and Social Capability curriculum describes achievement standards and associated content descriptions related to these areas of the curriculum: recognition and expression of emotions, development of resilience, relationships and diversity, and collaboration (which includes conflict resolution).

Using the Be Wise Materials, teachers can illustrate to students the aims of the Personal and Social Capability curriculum and enable students to:

- recognise, understand and evaluate the expression of emotions
- demonstrate an awareness of their personal qualities and the factors that contribute to resilience
- develop empathy for and understanding of others and recognise the importance of supporting diversity for a cohesive community
- use interpersonal skills to establish and maintain respectful relationships
- develop strategies to manage challenging situations constructively.

### Contents:

1. PowerPoint slides to walk the class through the issues
  - a. PowerPoint presentation (video embedded)
  - b. PowerPoint presentation with separate video files
  - c. PDF copy of the PowerPoint slides
2. Teacher Notes to accompany the PowerPoint slides and support teachers to lead a session easily and effectively allowing teachers to use in full, or to select the content that they feel best reflects the needs of the group(s) they are going to engage
3. Curriculum notes – links the Be Wise materials clearly to the Victorian Curriculum: F-10 Personal and Social Capability topics
4. Background notes – provide more details for teachers (or students) about the evidence from psychology, education and other disciplines that the Be Wise materials draw on
5. Student workbooks - Two versions give teachers the options to mix and match to best meet the needs of each group they wish to



engage. (workbooks supplied as complete document and separate pages).

- a. Junior version years 9 and 10 with questions for students to demonstrate to teachers the level of their engagement with and their understanding of the topics covered
  - b. Senior version for years 11 to 12 with prompts and suggestions for students to develop and record their own thoughts or ideas either during the session(s) or later
6. Feedback and Evaluation – The Pat Cronin Foundation is always keen to hear from students, teachers and others in the school community who have engaged with our messages.

We will provide (to be completed either with name or anonymously)

- a. links to our short student and teacher follow up surveys
- b. Template testimonial emails that students or teachers can return to us at [education@patcroninfoundation.org.au](mailto:education@patcroninfoundation.org.au)
- c. Template email for teachers to recommend our Be Wise Program to colleagues at other schools

To make a booking please email [education@patcroninfoundation.org.au](mailto:education@patcroninfoundation.org.au)

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