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School Newsletter

Issue 14, 29th May 2019

UPCOMING DATES

TERM 2

Week 6

Thursday 30th May: Foundation Healesville Sanctuary Excursion

Friday 31st May: Pupil Free Day

Sunday 2nd June: Children's Mass 9:30am

Week 7

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Thursday 6th June: Contacting Readers Morning 9:00am-11:00am
Gowrie Park Preschool visiting Foundation Classes

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PPR Day

Week 8

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Friday 14th June: SHS Playgroup 9:00am-10:30am
Yr. 6 Reconciliation

Pupil Free Day

Friday 31st May

Sacred Heart Catholic School is an educating community of living witnesses working in partnership with families, inspiring strength through faith and love.

Commitment to Child Safety

All students enrolled at Sacred Heart School, and any visiting children, have a right to feel and be safe. The wellbeing of children in our care will always be our first priority and we have zero tolerance to child abuse.

Message from our Principal



***“Reconciliation must live in the hearts, minds and actions of all Australians as we move forward, creating a nation strengthened by respectful relationships between the wider Australian community, and Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples”
NRW 2019***

Dear Parents and Caregivers,
As part of the commemoration of National Reconciliation Week we had a lovely ceremony to commission our new FIRE Carriers, [Friends Igniting Reconciliation through Education]. Thank you to our special visitors, Michael Chisholm and Louise Levy, Education Officers CEO for joining us and commissioning this special group. This is a very important role within our school and congratulations to all our new FIRE Carriers. They will be representing Sacred Heart at the Reconciliation Mass at St Mary's Mooroopna today. Thank you Mrs. Basile for organising the FIRE Carriers commissioning.

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Message from our Principal (Continued)

Parents want their children to do well in school. However, do you understand the connection between strong school attendance and achievement? We know children who are often absent from school, who are late for school and who leave early have their learning severely interrupted. Just a few missed days here and there, even if they're excused absences, can add up to too much lost learning time. Parents and teachers want all children to be successful and this can only happen if they are at school, on time, every day. If you have issues that cause absences please contact me or your class teacher so we can assist you.

Well done to those who attended the Division Championships last Friday. We had teams in Soccer, Football, Netball and Tee Ball and it was lovely to hear that everyone competed in the true Sacred Heart spirit. Thank you to all the parents who came along to help and support the teams.

Our Foundation students head off to Healesville tomorrow as part of their Science Inquiry Unit. Thank you to Mrs. Luksch, Ms. O'Sullivan and Mrs. Vincitorio for planning this rich experience and providing the opportunity for learning outside the classroom. We wish you all a wonderful day of fun and learning.

Just a reminder that we are now in full winter uniform. Parents please check your child's sports day and ensure this is the only day the sports uniform is worn, including footwear. We strongly encourage students to dress appropriately for these cold winter temperatures. I appreciate parent support when insisting their children wear the school uniform correctly and with pride. Class teachers will be asking for out of uniform notes where necessary.

Congratulations to Lachlan McKinnon who won the Principal's Award last week. Lachlan is a great example of our PBIS qualities and tries to be his best in everything he does. This was especially shown at camp, where Lachlan showed great resilience and was focused and responsible with all new challenges. Well done Lachlan!

Have a good week,
Pauline Hindson, Principal

Pupil Free Day,

This Friday, 31st May is a Pupil Free Day.

Teachers will be participating in an allocated professional learning day.

Students are not required at school on this day.



Explaining Absences

Report your child's absence before school commences

Provide a reason for your child's absence

Notify the school of any upcoming absence

With Sympathy

Our prayers and thoughts are with Ethan McCracken (1/2 JS) and his Mum, Fleur, following the death of Fleur's father.



Notre Dame College 2020 Year 7 Enrolments

Notre Dame College 2020 Year 7 enrolment cut off date is **Monday, 3rd June.**

Please ensure enrolment forms have been completed and forwarded to Notre Dame College before this date.

Please contact Maaja Jensen, NDC Enrolment Officer if you require any further information.

Notre Dame College phone: 58228400.



Catholic Identity:

Sunday's Gospel:

The Ascension of the Lord

White

'Blessed them'

Acts 1:8-11 Psalm 47 Ephesians 1:17-21 Luke 24:50-58



Jesus had his disciples with him when it was time for him to leave. What did Jesus do just before he left? Where was he going? Why did Jesus have to leave his disciples? How do you think they felt? What did they do after Jesus had gone? If we are disciples of Jesus too, what does this mean for us?

National Reconciliation Week 2019

Lord God,

Bring us together as one, reconciled with you and with each other.

You made us in your likeness. You gave us your Son, Jesus Christ.

He has given us forgiveness from sin.

Lord God, bring us together as one, different in culture, but given new life in Jesus Christ: Together as your body, your church, your people.

Lord God, bring us together as one: Reconciled, healed and forgiven,

Sharing you with others as you have called us to do.

In Jesus Christ, let us be together as one.

Amen



IMPORTANT CATHOLIC IDENTITY DATES

Friday 7th June – Winter Appeal Mass 9:15am

Friday 14th June – Yr. 6 Reconciliation

Friday 28th June – Feast of the Sacred Heart Mass 9:15am

2019 SACRAMENTAL PROGRAM

First Eucharist

Sunday 11th August 9:30am

Confirmation

Wednesday 11th September 6:30pm

CHILDREN'S MASS 2nd JUNE

Due to next weekend being the Queen's Birthday long weekend, our Children's Mass will be held this coming Sunday, 2nd June at 9:30am.

We hope the change in date away from the long weekend will mean more families are able to come celebrate Mass with us this Sunday. Please come join us!



2019 Mini Vinnies

WINTER APPEAL Mon 10th – Fri 21st June

The time has come for us to again hear and respond to the call to help others in need! As part of our upcoming Winter Appeal Mass, our Mini Vinnies team will again be leading the collection of donated foods and goods. Our students participate in the appeal each year when the weather starts to turn colder.

The action of giving through the Winter Appeal aligns closely with the traditions and history of Sacred Heart. Through the appeal, students further develop values of compassion, respect and hope by praying for and collecting for people who might be in need of food or blankets to keep healthy and warm during Winter. These donated goods will be distributed to families in the local Tatura area who are in need on a helping hand.

This year we again would like to focus on the appeal during a short time frame. Our overall aim would be for each student to bring an item every one or two days! Our Mini Vinnies team members will be visiting classrooms next week to discuss the appeal and what students can do to be involved.

When donating, please ensure each item has an appropriate expiry date and is non-perishable.

There will be a basket in each classroom for students to place their item in each morning.

The following suggestions for each class are a guide, though any suitable donations are welcomed.

FKO: Cereals

FCL: Pastas

3/4LM: Tinned fruit

3/4DTKN: Jams & spreads

5/6CW & 5/6CB: Tea, coffee, sugar & UHT milk

1/2KD: Tinned soups

1/2JS: Cereals

1/2VT: Bathroom products

3/4MCRB: Jams & spreads

Our Mini Vinnies team will take all donated goods to our local St Vincent De Paul centre in Week 10.

We thank you for your tremendous ongoing support.

Regards,

Sacred Heart Mini Vinnies

Nationally Consistent Collection of Data on School Students with Disability (NCCD)

As a school, we are mandated to complete the Nationally Consistent Collection of Data on School Students with Disability (NCCD) every year. It counts the number of students who receive additional adjustments or support at school because of a disability. Many students that need help at school can be counted in the NCCD. For example, students with additional learning needs, health problems (eg. Epilepsy or diabetes), a physical disability and social-emotional problems. Letters from doctors or specialists can be very helpful for schools as they plan how to support students with their learning, however schools do not need to have these letters before they can count a student in NCCD. Teachers can use all that they know about the student's learning and the records that they have collected over time to decide if a student can be counted in the NCCD.

Please refer to the attached information about NCCD, and guidelines for criteria. If you have any questions about this process after reading the information, please do not hesitate to contact your classroom teachers, Pauline Hindson or Michelle Cameron at the school office on 58241841.

ICAS Assessments 2019

Sacred Heart School will be offering the opportunity for any interested students to participate in the world-renowned ICAS Assessments again this year. ICAS is developed by UNSW Global, a wholly owned subsidiary of the University of New South Wales, with over 35 years' experience in educational assessments.

ICAS is designed to target students' higher-order thinking and problem-solving skills in English, Mathematics, Science, Writing, Spelling and Digital Technologies.

Each assessment celebrates students' accomplishments by providing opportunities for recognition. Every student will receive a certificate and an online result report. The assessments are suitable for students wishing to extend themselves academically and take up the personal challenge of competing in an international assessment. Your child will be presented with high-quality, expert-developed questions, allowing them to apply their learning without the need for prior study or revision.

ICAS Assessments are now online, a move that reflects a sector-wide transition to computer-based assessment. This allows greater accessibility for students and faster delivery of results. Learn more about ICAS at: www.unswglobal.unsw.edu.au

If you wish your child/ren to do the ICAS Assessments please collect an application form from the School Office. The application forms and payments need to be back at the school office by Friday, 21st June.

Year 3/4 Camp

There are some items still at school if your are missing anything. Items include: fitted sheet (fawn colour), black t-shirt with Converse written on front, grey fleece track pants – size 12, pink and grey pyjama pants – size 12, Target black fleece hoody – size 9.

Items are in Room 1 in a basket for collection as soon as possible. Some students are also missing some items of clothing, including black leggings, blue t-shirt. Please check that your child has brought home their clothing please.

Thank-you for your cooperation,
Year 3/4 Class Teachers

Men's Shed at SHS

Our Men's Shed is back up and running at Sacred Heart! The Year 4 students that are participating this term are enjoying their time in the shed and are learning new skills each week.

Sam, Tanner, James and Rory are busy building tool boxes with the assistance from our Men Shed volunteers.



National Simultaneous Storytime

Sacred Heart School loved being part of the National Simultaneous Storytime last week. Altogether we listened to the story, *Alpacas with Maracas* along with students from all over Australia. As well as being lots of fun NSS promotes reading enjoyment, the fun of books as well as our wonderful Australian authors.

Thanks for reading this great book to us Miss Simpson.



Commissioning of FIRE Carriers

The commissioning of the new FIRE Carriers was a very special ceremony which took place on Monday. Congratulations to all our new FIRE Carriers as you take on this very important role within our school.



2019 School Year

Term 1	30th January to 5th April
Term 2	23rd April to 28th June
Term 3	15th July to 20th September
Term 4	7th October to 19th December (Staff finish 20th December)

2019 FUTURE DATES

First Eucharist: Sunday, 11th August
9:30am

Confirmation: Wednesday 11th September
6:30pm

Pupil Free Day: Friday 31st May

School Calendar - 2019

TERM 2

MAY

Thursday	30th	Foundation Healesville Sanctuary Excursion
Friday	31st	Pupil Free Day - <u>NO SCHOOL FOR STUDENTS</u>

JUNE

Sunday	2nd	Children's Mass	9:30am
Wednesday	5th	Contacting Readers Morning - Mercy Centre	9:00am - 11:00am
Thursday	6th	Contacting Readers Morning - Mercy Centre	9:00am - 11:00am
		Gowrie Park Preschool visiting Foundation Classes	
Friday	7th	Winter Appeal Mass	9:15am
		PPR Day	
Monday	10th	Queen's Birthday Public Holiday	
Wednesday	12th	Parent Sacrament Discussion - Staffroom	7:00pm
Friday	14th	SHS Playgroup	9:00am-10:30am
		Yr. 6 Reconciliation	
Friday	21st	SHS Playgroup	9:00am-10:30am
		Sacred Heart Be Your Best Day	
Wednesday	26th	Reports Sent Home	
		AGM Board Meeting	6:30pm
Friday	28th	Feast of the Sacred Heart Mass	9:15am
		Last Day of Term 2	Dismissal 2:30pm

JULY

Monday	15th	First Day of Term 3	
Wednesday	24th	Board Meeting	7:00pm

August

Friday	2nd	PPR Day	
Sunday	11th	First Eucharist	9:30am
Wednesday	28th	Board Meeting	7:00pm

September

Sunday	1st	Fathers' Day	
Friday	6th	PPR Day	
Wednesday	11th	Confirmation	6:30pm

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Pauline Hindson, Principal

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School Board

Fr Michael Morley (Parish Priest), Pauline Hindson (Principal),
Matt Cameron (Deputy Principal), Debbie Worm (Secretary),
Michael Dundon (Chair), Maria Spedding (Deputy Chair),
Carmel Basile, Petra De Kleijn and Travis Worm.

Awards for Week 5 Term 2

Students of the Week

Foundation Luksch
Foundation O'Sullivan

Yr. 1/2 Dundon

Yr. 1/2 Tartaglia

Yr. 1/2 Simpson

Yr. 3/4 Mathieson

Yr. 3/4 Turvey/Nihill

Yr. 3/4 Cameron/Borzillo

Yr. 5/6 Worm

Yr. 5/6 Basile

Annie Aikman & Blake Bunfield

Charlotte Tully & Adele Christopher

Rhiannon Nevins

Alyssa Beecroft

Maggie Pogue

Jacob Christopher

Ruby Dalton

Ebony Worm & Patrick McCarthy

No Award Given

No Award Given

Principal's Award

Lachlan McKinnon



Children's Chatter Matters

To best prepare our children for the language & learning demands of the school environment, they need ample time and opportunity to engage in meaningful interactions with their family.



Activity 7: Find the Base Word:

Teach the concept of base words to your child. You might say, "A base word is the 'main' word in a longer word." Give examples and then have your child practice identifying the base words. Remember: The affixes at the beginning of words are called "prefixes" because "pre-" means before, and a "suffix" comes at the end of a base word.

Ask your child to highlight the base words in following complex words.

- mouthy
- hopeful
- sleepless
- workable
- sawed
- trembling
- carefully
- Childish
- growing
- unhelpful

SACRED HEART PLAYGROUP

Sacred Heart Playgroup has been enjoying the opportunity to have fun, meet new friends and develop skills through informal play. It is also a great opportunity for parents and carers to meet new parents and spend some quality time playing with their children. All pre-school age children are welcome. Thank you Meghan Worm for coordinating our Playgroup on Friday mornings [during School Term] from 9:00am – 10:30 in the JLA. Phone the school office for further details.



ALL SCHOOL AND COMMUNITY FAMILIES

WARMLY INVITED

Fridays - 9:00 - 10:30am

Sacred Heart School

More information

phone

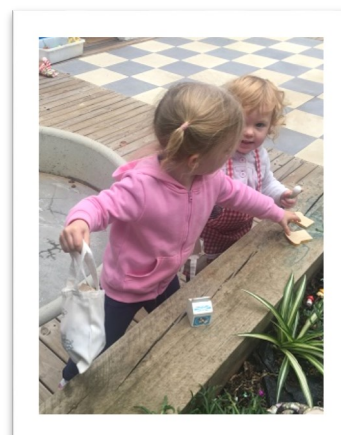
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All preschoolers welcome
Parents must stay

FREE SESSIONS
bring a snack and a drink



JUST A REMINDER THERE IS NO PLAYGROUP THIS FRIDAY DUE TO A PUPIL FREE DAY!



We acknowledge the Yorta Yorta nation, the traditional custodians of the land on which the school is built, as they have occupied and cared for this country for many generations. We also celebrate their continuing contributions to the life of this region.



Parish News

Like Sacred Heart Parish on Facebook.



Next Sunday's Gospel

- Solemnity of the Ascension of the Lord
- Week of Prayer for Christian Unity

Luke 24: 46-53

While blessing them, he was taken to heaven.

Liturgical Year: C

SACRED HEART PARISH, TATURA

Weekly Mass Times

Sunday 11:00am (this week only)

Children's Mass - 2nd Sunday of the month

Parish Office Hours

Phone: 5824 1049

Wednesday 8:30am to 4:30pm
Friday 8:30am to 12:00pm

Parish Priest: Fr .Michael Morley
Parish Secretary: Mrs. Mary Connelly-Gale

The Parish Website is:

sacredheartparishtatura.com.au

for Mass times, Fr Michael's weekly reflection, the weekly bulletin & other parish news. It is a great way to be kept up to date with what is happening within the Sacred Heart Parish of Tatura.



Administration Notices (repeat notices):

CareMonkey

Parents and caregivers are reminded to keep all details for contacts and students up to date. When changes are made on CareMonkey the administration system is notified and details are also updated there.

New families who have not submitted profiles for their students are asked to do this as soon as possible. All permission notes and important notices are sent to families through the CareMonkey App. Staff have access to details when they are on excursions, camps etc.

MEDICATIONS AT SCHOOL

If your child requires medication at school a note identifying the child, class, medication name, dosage, and time to be given needs to be sent to the office. The medication should be in the original container.

All medication is dispensed through the office and is signed off on a medication register. If the appropriate permission is not sent with the medication it cannot be given to the student. It is also a good idea to mention to the student's teacher that there is medication at the office and what time it is to be given.

An important reminder

Please notify the school office via a phone call, school app, note or personal visit on the day your child is absent. Teachers will require a written or electronic note as well. Parents will be contacted if their child has an unexplained absence. We ask for your support regarding this important requirement.

UNWELL CHILDREN

If your child is not well please keep them at home. It is not fair to expect a child who is unwell to participate in learning activities and we are also conscious of them spreading their illness throughout the class.

SMS Reminder

Parents are reminded not to respond to the SMS sent by the school as it is an automated system.

NOTICES

Please check the school noticeboard in the quadrangle for any notices that have not been included on the newsletter.

It is the policy of the school that only community and local sports events for children are included in the newsletter.

SHS School APP

Stay connected and download our School App from the App store.

You can access our website, newsletters, school absentee forms, ASC & BSC Cancellations, & receive notifications from us.



School Uniform

School students are expected to wear the winter school uniform in Term 2 and 3.

Tatura Logos & Promos as well as the Uniform Shop in Corio Street Shepparton are able to supply the complete uniform for Sacred Heart School.



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WORLD BOOK ONLINE

Students have access to World Book Online from home Cut and paste the Web address into your browser

<http://www.worldbookonline.com/?subacct=AU01169>

Ligon & password are: **shstat**

Check out our Facebook page
Sacred Heart School Tatura
Like and share it!



SCHOOL APP

Families are asked to download the free school App onto their smart phones and tablets. This will be the preferred means of sending messages to families - it is instant, no delays in email or SMS processing.

The App allows parents and caregivers to send in absence notices, out of uniform notices and has a great deal of information.

Allow notifications to be kept up to date!!!

The App can be found in the App store by searching for: Sacred Heart Tatura.



School Banking Day Each Tuesday

Please leave student deposit book in the grey banking bag, which is located near the classroom door. Deposit books will be returned to the classroom once the banking has been processed.

Before & After School Care Bank Account details

BSB: 083-876
Account Number: 595612865
Account Name: Sacred Heart After School Care
Bank: NAB
Branch: Tatura

School Bank Account details for payments

Please use surname or account number as a reference.

BSB: 083-543
Account Number: 457828641
Bank: NAB
Branch: Bendigo

BEFORE AND AFTER SCHOOL CARE:

Before School Care must be booked in by **6pm the previous day**.

All cancellations and casual bookings must be phoned in by **11am each day** for After School Care.

Please do not rely on email for this.

Charges will apply for bookings not cancelled.

After School Care is held in the Mercy Centre.

Please note: Children who have not been collected from school by 3:45pm will automatically be put into After School Care and normal ASC charges will apply.

UNCANCELLED BOOKINGS WILL BE CHARGED.

ASC contact number during operating hours is:
0400 649 379

IMPORTANT REMINDER:

Please ensure all your family contact details are up to date, including contact phone numbers, residential & postal address & email address. We also require your nominated emergency contact details to be current & up to date.

If your students' Medical details have changed, please ensure all relevant information is updated through CareMonkey.



SECONDHAND UNIFORM SALES THURSDAYS

Plenty of used school uniform items are available for sale! Please feel free to come along to purchase a bargain!

Uniforms will be sold each Thursday morning sat 9:00am in the Mercy Centre.

Community Notices

THE FATHERING PROJECT

The Fathering Project will be launched at the Peppermill Hotel, Shepparton on **Thursday 30th May**, for the fathers and father figures. This presentation will include information on the vital role men play in children's lives, how they can effectively engage with their children, support their partners/wives, their school and the community. In conjunction with St Anne's College, we would like to invite Sacred Heart parents, **especially fathers**, to attend this presentation to hear about our exciting Dads' Group program.

To Register

: <https://www.eventbrite.com.au/e/the-fathering-project-launch-presentation-tickets-62032223049> or contact Kim Merkel - kmerkel@sackialla.catholic.edu.au

For more information about our program please read the attached FAQ document, or to view a promotional video, go to our website - www.thefatheringproject.org



1st Tatura Scout Group **Open Night**



**Come and find out
about Scouting!**

- Open Night -
Monday, June 3rd
6:30pm to 8:00pm

1st Tatura Scout Hall
Bartlett Street
Tatura VIC 3616

Enquiries:

Mark Sargent on 0417 585 400
or Jim Garcia on 0438 316 164

www.scoutsvictoria.com.au

"Best Community Event Award - Tatura & Greater Shepparton 2017"

TATURA ROTARY COMMUNITY ART SHOW

www.taturarotary.org.au [f/Tatura Rotary](https://www.facebook.com/TaturaRotary)

Victory Hall, Hogan Street, Tatura 7th, 8th, 9th & 10th June 2019 <small>"Gourmet Cafe on site all weekend"</small>	Gala Opening Night "Opera at the Art Show" Friday 7th 7pm - 10pm <small>Entry \$20 Includes Hot Savouries</small>	<table border="1"> <tr> <td>Saturday 8th</td> <td>10am - 5pm</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Sunday 9th</td> <td>10am - 5pm</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Monday 10th</td> <td>10am - 4pm</td> </tr> </table> <small>\$5 Entry Children, Free</small>	Saturday 8th	10am - 5pm	Sunday 9th	10am - 5pm	Monday 10th	10am - 4pm
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GREATER SHEPPARTON COLLEGE (Interim Name) Year 7, 2020

If you currently have a child in a private primary school and are considering Greater Shepparton College (interim name) for Year 7 in 2020, information and application forms may be obtained by contacting the Business Manager, Mr. Peter Bingham by email: bingham.peter.g@edumail.vic.gov.au

The Department of Education & Training transition website:
<https://www.education.vic.gov.au/parents/going-to-school/Pages/year-6-to-7.aspx>

Nationally Consistent Collection of Data (NCCD) On School Students with Disability

What is the Nationally Consistent Collection of Data?

Schools must now complete the *Nationally Consistent Collection of Data on School Students with Disability (NCCD)* every year. It counts the number of students who receive additional adjustments or “help” at school because of a disability. The NCCD helps governments plan for the needs of students with disability.

Who is counted in the data collection?

To count a student in the NCCD, schools must think through some key questions:

1. Is the student getting help at school so that they can take part in education on the same basis as other students?
2. Is the help given because of a disability? The word ‘disability’ comes from the [Disability Discrimination Act 1992](#) (DDA) and it can include many students?
3. Has the school talked to you or your child about the help that they provide?
4. Has the school kept records about the help they provide, the student needs and the reasons that the student needs this help? The school will need to keep copies of tests, student work, assessments, records of meetings, medical reports or other paperwork and information about how the student’s learning is moving along over time?

Once the school decides that the student should be counted in the NCCD, they then choose a disability group and one of four levels of help that has been given to the student.

What does word ‘disability’ mean in the NCCD?

In the NCCD the word ‘disability’ comes from the [Disability Discrimination Act 1992](#) (DDA). There are four types of disability that the school can choose from; sensory, cognitive, social-emotional and physical.

Many students that need help at school can be counted in the NCCD. For example, students with learning problems, e.g. specific learning disability or reading difficulty (sometimes called dyslexia), health problems (e.g. epilepsy or diabetes), physical disability (e.g. cerebral palsy), vision/hearing loss and social-emotional problems (e.g. selective mutism, Autism Spectrum Disorder, anxiety).

Letters from doctors or specialists can be very helpful for schools as they plan how to support students with their learning. Schools do not need to have these letters before they can count a

student in NCCD. Teachers can use all that they know about the child's learning and the records that they have collected over time to decide if a student can be counted in the NCCD.

What sort of help does the school give students?

Students need different types of help at school. Some students need a little help sometimes while other students need a lot of help nearly all the time. The type of help given depends on the needs of the student. The help can include changes to the school buildings or grounds (e.g. ramps or things like special desks or chairs), extra teacher help in classes, special learning programs, changes to the work they give the student or extra adult help.

How will the NCCD be different this year?

All schools have been counting students in the NCCD since 2015. The government will use the NCCD data as part of the funding to schools.

What will the school need to know about my child for the NCCD?

Schools work together with families to understand the needs of each child. It is helpful if families give their child's teacher a copy of any letters or reports they have. The letters or reports will help the school understand the child and the help that they might need. Letters from doctors, psychologists, speech pathologists, doctor, and occupational therapists etc. can be very helpful for schools. These reports along with information that the teacher has (i.e. school based tests, your child's work and learning plans) helps the school to understand and meet the student's needs.

What happens to the NCCD data? Who will have the NCCD information?

Each school principal must check the NCCD data in August of each year. The school will give the information to the Catholic Education Office. The school will work with the Catholic Education Office to make sure that the NCCD data is OK before they give the data to the government. The government will not be given the names of any students or any letters or records. Please ask your school for their privacy policy if you need to know more.

Does the school need me to agree with them about counting my child in the NCCD?

Amendments were made to the [Australian Education Act 2013](#) and [Australian Education Regulation 2013](#). Schools do not need you to agree to let them count a child in the NCCD. You cannot ask the school not to count your child.

Where can I find out more?

Please contact your child's school if you have further questions about the NCCD and/or refer to the national [NCCD Portal](#).