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Special Religious Education Participation Letter

A feature of the public education system in NSW is the opportunity to provide time in class for education in ethics, faith and morality from a religious or non-religious perspective at the choice of parents.

The school website <https://woolgoolga-h.schools.nsw.gov.au/learning-at-our-school/religion-and-ethics.html> provides information on these options to support parent/carer choice.

A parent/carer may at any time notify the school in writing that they wish to change their decision. Students will continue the same arrangement as the previous year, unless a parent/carer has requested a change in writing.

For more information about Special Religious Education (SRE) including the list of approved providers, please visit: <https://education.nsw.gov.au/teaching-and-learning/curriculum/learning-across-the-curriculum/religion-and-ethics>

If your preferred SRE option is not available please contact the approved provider. Students not attending SRE are given supervised alternative meaningful activities. Classes are held fortnightly on a Monday.

A response of YES or NO **must** be recorded for all students as per Department of Education Policy.

The following options are available at Woolgoolga High School:

SRE Options

- ☐ **(YES) Special Religious Education** – Combined Christian SRE (scripture) classes are taught by approved curriculum and teachers from different denominations and churches <https://nswactbaptists.org.au/wp-content/uploads/2024/05/FEAST-SRE-Curriculum-Scope-And-Sequence-April-2024.pdf> using approved curriculum. At Woolgoolga High School the teachers are authorised by the Australian Christian Churches. For information on approved provider curriculum please visit: <https://peacewisekids.org/presentation/> and <https://nswactbaptists.org.au/wp-content/uploads/2021/08/CCSM-Yr-7-and-8-Scope-and-Sequence-Review-2021-1.pdf>

OR

- ☐ **(NO) Please check this box if you DO NOT wish for your child to attend SRE.** Your child will participate in alternative meaningful learning activities.

Student name: _____ Year: _____

Signature of parent/carer: _____ Date: _____

If students are not given permission by parents/carers to attend SRE lessons, they will continue to participate in alternative meaningful learning activities at these times.

Sincerely yours

Lu Nickell
Principal