

## Special Religious Education and Special Education in Ethics 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/carers.

At Blakebrook Public School we offer a Combined Arrangement with the following approved providers. *Seventh Day Adventist Church, Presbyterian Church of Australia in NSW, Australian Christian Churches, C3 Church Australia, Uniting Church of Australia, Baptist Churches of NSW/ACT.* The school website <https://blakebrook-p.schools.nsw.gov.au/> 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.

If your preferred Special Religious Education or Special Education in Ethics option is not available please contact the approved provider. Students not attending Special Religious Education or Special Education in Ethics are given supervised alternative meaningful activities.

For more information about Special Religious Education and Special Education in Ethics, including the list of approved providers, please visit: <https://education.nsw.gov.au/religion-and-ethics>

The following options are available at Blakebrook Public school. Please choose one.

### Special Religious Education Options

Scripture

Please check this box if you do not wish for your child to attend SRE. Your child will participate in alternative meaningful activities. (Non-Scripture).

Student name: \_\_\_\_\_ Year: \_\_\_\_\_

Name of parent/carer: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature of parent/carer: \_\_\_\_\_

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If you selected Special Religious Education or Special Education in Ethics, you confirm that, in doing so, you consent to the Department providing your child's name to the nominated approved provider. The Department is required to obtain your consent under section 26 of the Privacy and Personal Information Protection Act 1998 (NSW) so that it does not have to comply with section 19, which would otherwise apply to prevent the Department from providing your child's name.