

Dear Parent / Caregiver,

Special Religious Education

Parents/caregivers in public schools have the right to have their children receive instruction in their preferred religious persuasion, where authorised teachers of that persuasion are available.

A special religious education (SRE) program is available at Hillvue Public School and is run by our authorised volunteers from the Anglican Church of Australia, NSW Armidale Diocese. Contact details of SRE program coordinators can be provided by the school if required.

In the times set aside for special religious education, students not attending are located in a separate physical space from special religious education classes. At Hillvue Public School children will be in a separate class room with the dividers or doors closed. This will separate the scripture and non-scripture children.

The school will provide activities with appropriate care and supervision. These activities neither compete with special religious education nor are they lessons in the curriculum. Suitable activities include reading, private study, colouring and completing homework.

Please choose one of the following options that are available at Hillvue Public School for your child:

- Option 1: Special Religious Education (Combined Denomination – Christian Belief)

OR

- Option 2: Please check this box **if you do not wish** for your child to attend SRE.
Your child will participate in alternative meaningful activities.

Student Name: _____ Year: _____

Signature of parent/carer: _____ Date: _____

Students continue in the same arrangement each year, unless a parent/caregiver has requested a change in writing. At any time, you have the right to change your SRE nomination or to withdraw your child from the nominated lessons. A note to the Principal will affect this change.

Regards,


Jayne Johnson
Executive Principal