



# TACOMA PUBLIC SCHOOL

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Dear Parent/Carer,

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

A special religious education program (**Scripture class**) is available at the school and is run by authorised volunteer scripture teachers.

We are able to offer Scripture classes to all students from Kindergarten to Year 6. Scripture lessons are held once a week. Please note a classroom teacher will be present at all times with the Scripture teacher.

**Unfortunately, there are not enough catholic teachers available and Catholic Scripture will ONLY be offered to Years 5 and 6. As an alternative for catholic students in Kindergarten through to and including Year 4, the GODSPEAK curriculum, which is approved by the Hunter Catholic diocese, will be taught in Combined Scripture.**

Following are the classes that will be offered at Tacoma.

- Anglican/Baptist Combined Scripture
- Year 5 & 6 Catholic Scripture
- Non-Scripture

Students continue in the same arrangements 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,

Mandy Shaw  
Acting Principal

I wish my child to attend the following Scripture class

Student Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Class: \_\_\_\_\_

- ☐ Anglican/Baptist Combined Scripture
- ☐ Catholic Scripture (**Years 5 & 6 only**)
- ☐ Non-Scripture

Signature of Parent/Caregiver: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_