



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 www.bellbird-p.schools.nsw.edu.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.

For more information about Special Religious Education (SRE) and Special Education in Ethics (SEE), 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 such as revision of classroom content.

The following SRE options are available at Bellbird Public School. Please choose one.

SRE Options

- Option 1:** The providers listed below have agreed to deliver SRE by a combined group arrangement in accordance with the Department of Education's Religious Education procedures.
 - Fellowship of Congregational Churches (Cessnock Congregational Church),
 - Baptist Union of NSW (Cessnock Baptist Church)
 - Anglican Diocese of Maitland (St John's Church Cessnock).

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: _____ Class: _____

Signature of parent/carer: _____ Date: _____