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Dear Parent/Caregiver,

Nationally Consistent Collection of Data on School Students with Disability in 2018

Our school is required to complete the Nationally Consistent Collection of Data (NCCD) on school students with a disability.

The Collection aims to provide all Australian schools, education authorities and the community with a clear picture of the number of students with additional needs in schools and the adjustments they require to enable them to participate in education on the same basis as other students. The Collection is an annual process for schools.

This collection will involve the collection of the following information:

- The number of students receiving adjustments to enable them to participate in education on the same basis as other students;
- o The level of adjustment provided to students; and
- Where known, the student's type of disability

The definition of 'disability' is broad and includes learning difficulties, health conditions and mental health illnesses.

Once data has been collated, it will be **de-identified** and forwarded to the DECD, this ensures anonymity.

Your child(ren)'s involvement in the process is optional. If you do not want our school to provide *de-identified* data about your child(ren), you can 'opt-out' by writing and signing a letter to our Principal, Mr Shayne Kidd, stating you have read the information in relation to the 2018 Nationally Consistent Collection of Data (NCCD) for school students with disability and request that information is <u>not</u> to be collected on your child(ren).

If you have any questions please contact Julie Nailer - julie.nailer@catholic.tas.edu.au

Kind regards
Julie Nailer
Special Learning Needs Co-ordinator