## **ELEEBANA PUBLIC SCHOOL** "Excellence through Endeavour, Care and Co-operation"

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## Special Religious Education - SRE and Special Education in Ethics - SEE 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 (https://eleebana-p.schools.nsw.gov.au) provides information on these options to support parent/carer choice. 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

## 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.

**Availability:** Eleebana Public School currently provides access to non-denominational SRE or non-scripture for each class, 30 minutes per week approximately ten-to-twenty weeks per year. At this time, Eleebana PS is unable to offer Special Education in Ethics (SEE) due to unavailability of ethics teachers.

Registered and approved representatives of local churches provide Special Religious Education (SRE). At this time, our representatives are from the following approved providers: Australian Christian Churches - https://www.nswacc.org.au/), Hunter Bible Church (http://www.hunterbiblechurch.org/#welcome) and Baptist Union of NSW (https://nswactbaptists.org.au/). For more information about our SRE providers, including the authorised curriculum scope and sequence, please visit the approved provider websites. SRE groups have equitable access to classrooms and resources required to offer their programs.

- Students can ONLY attend Scripture or Non-Scripture not both, as they run concurrently.
- **Non-Scripture:** Students not attending SRE are provided with meaningful alternate activities.

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Child's Name:

Class: \_\_\_\_\_

I wish for my child to attend (*Please circle ONE only*): SCRIPTURE / NON-SCRIPTURE (meaningful alternate activities)

Additional Consent:

- I DO / DO NOT (please circle) consent to my child participating in SRE Events related to Easter and Christmas such as the Easter Hat Parade, SRE Christmas Concert.
- I DO / DO NOT (please circle) consent to my child participating in religious or non-religious classroom activities related to Easter and Christmas songs, carols, artwork, stories, and performances.

\_Parent / Guardian (sign)

Date / /