Dear Parents and Caregivers

Nationally Consistent Collection of Data (NCCD) 2016

Since 2015, all schools across Australia have been required to participate in the NCCD in Term 3, by providing basic data on students within the school who require additional assistance or support to enable them to participate in education on the same basis as other students. This national data collection process includes students with a formally diagnosed intellectual, physical, sensory or social/emotional disability, as well as those who have a difficulty in learning or behaviour due to an impairment that requires an ongoing adjustment. The NCCD project aims to provide government authorities and communities with a clearer picture than ever before of the number of students who require adjustments as a result of the impact of a disability or impairment.

What information about your child will be provided?

The information we are obliged to provide as part of the data collection is:

- the overall number of students at St Pius X from Years 5-12 who are currently receiving adjustments to enable them to participate in education on the same basis as their peers.
- the type of disability of impairment which has impacted on their learning or behaviour over the past year.
- the level of adjustment provided by the school. These are set down and range from in-class differentiation and support to substantial or extensive support.

While student details are provided to the Catholic Education Commission by the census date of 5 August 2016, the information is then compiled and forwarded to the Government by the Commission in summary form, and does not include names or student details. All information collected is held in accordance with our College Privacy Policy. The aggregated data collected by the Australian Government Department of Education may be used to inform policy development for future planning purposes, new directions or other policy requirements.

Further information

If you have any questions about the 2016 data collection process or would like further information, please visit the following website: https://education.gov.au/what-nationally-consistent-collection-data-school-students-disability. You are also welcome to contact Mr Alex Damo, Assistant Principal - Teaching and Learning at adamo@stpiusx.nsw.edu.au, or Joanne Raheb-Mol Learning Support and Enrichment Coordinator at JRahebMol@stpiusx.nsw.edu.au.

Yours sincerely

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