



Wellers Hill State School

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Religious instruction:

Queensland state schools embrace a multitude of cultural, religious and non-religious beliefs. Under the *Education (General Provisions) Act 2006*, schools are to provide Religious Instruction (RI) if approached by a faith group seeking to provide RI and students of that faith attend the school.

RI informs students about the beliefs and values of a particular religion. It is delivered by volunteers of a faith group using instructional materials approved by that faith group. RI is required to be consistent with legislation and Department of Education policies and procedures.

All RI instructors must hold a blue card and participate in compulsory Student Protection and Code of Conduct training. RI instructors are only entitled to deliver the RI program outlined below. A school staff member will be present during the delivery of RI.

Participation in RI is not compulsory. Any student (except Prep students) may participate in RI if a parent has provided written instructions to the school.

Students are allocated to RI based on information provided by parents on the completed [Application for student enrolment](#) unless other written instructions have been provided to the school.

Note: *This consent remains in effect unless the parent informs the school otherwise in writing.*

A description of the RI available is provided below.

Arrangements and Programs	Name of Religious instruction Program	Devliery Details
Cooperative Program <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Christian Cooperative Program Faith Groups involved: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Anglican • Uniting Church • Baptist • Catholic 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Connect 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Commencing Term 1, Week 4 • Year Levels 2 – 6 • One 30 minute session each week. • Sessions are undertaken between 2:10pm and 3pm

Other Instruction

Students who are not participating in RI will be provided with other instruction in a separate supervised location. Other instruction must relate to part of a subject area already covered in class and may include:

- personal research and/or assignments
- revision of class work such as creative writing or literacy and/or numeracy activities which could include online programs currently accessed by the students of that school (i.e. [Mathletics](#), [Reading Eggs](#))
- wider reading such as independent reading appropriate to the student

Parents will be advised of any changes to the RI and other instruction programs to ensure they are able to make an informed decision on their child's participation.



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Change to the religious instruction program

Please be advised that if there is a change to the religious instruction programs available at Wellers Hill, parents will be notified immediately.

Students will be automatically placed into Religious Instruction if the school receives written parental instructions for their child.

If you wish to change your previous written instructions or you wish for your child to attend this religious instruction program, please provide written advice to the school.

(This document is part of a suite of *Religious instruction policy statement* supporting documents provided by the Department of Education for use in Queensland state schools and available at <https://education.qld.gov.au/parents-and-carers/school-information/school-operations/policy-statement>)