NSPIRING EXCELLENCE - ACHIEVING SUCCESS

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 SRE programs available at the school are run by authorised volunteers of approved religious persuasions. Currently, Chatswood High School provides Christian SRE (Combined Churches and Catholic) which is offered to all students in Years 7 – 10.

The school website <u>www.chatswood-h.schoolsnsw.edu.au</u> provides information on these options to support parent /carer choice, as do the following links;

SRE Christian Combined Churches contact: REACH website: <u>http://www.reachinschools.org/</u> SRE Christian Catholic contact: <u>office@chatswoodparish.org.au</u> or phone: 9410 9000

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. Additional copies of the participation letter are available on the school website and at the student office.

Where a Participation form is not returned, your child will participate in fully supervised alternative meaningful activities. Regular classes do not run in conflict with SRE.

For more information about Special Religious Education (SRE) and Special Education in Ethics (SEE), including the list of approved providers, please visit: <u>https://education.nsw.gov.au/teaching-and-learning/curriculum/learning-across-the-curriculum/religion-and-ethics</u>

If your preferred SRE or SEE option is not available please contact the approved provider. Students not attending SRE are given supervised alternative meaningful activities.

Please choose **ONE** of the following options for your child:

•	SRE C	Options:			
		SRE Christian (Combined Churches) (classes once per fortnight)		SRE Christian Catholic (seminars twice per term)	
		OR			
•		Withdraw from SRE (I do not wish my child to attend SRE) (Your child will participate in fully supervised alternative meaningful activities. Regular classes do not run in conflict with SRE)			
Student name				Class Year	
Signature of parent			Date		