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Education in Australia is for all children, and religious education in public schools is not officially part of the curriculum. If you are letting religious groups into public schools to teach some children their beliefs, it's outrageous that the other children haven't, until the introduction of the ethics classes, also been provided with an optional educational session. The least you can do if you allow religious classes in public schools is to allow alternative learning opportunities, ie. ethics classes, as an option for parents to choose.