

**Submission
No 415**

**INQUIRY INTO EDUCATION AMENDMENT (ETHICS
CLASSES REPEAL) BILL 2011**

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We were interested to hear of a review of the Ethics classes by the Parliament, and that submissions were invited.

We would like to raise the following :

1. Special Religious Education classes have been conducted in public schools in NSW for many years. These classes have given children the opportunity to learn more about their faith.
2. We trust that if Ethics classes should become a part of the school curriculum, they will not replace the SRE classes.
3. If Ethics classes should become part of the school program, the content of what is to be taught should be made public.

Yours sincerely,

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