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INQUIRY INTO REVIEW OF THE NEW SOUTH WALES SCHOOL CURRICULUM

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NSW Curriculum Review

I support the general intention of the NSW Curriculum Review to promote deep learning of core disciplinary knowledge and higher levels of skill.

However, the proposal to remove the 'General Capabilities-Intercultural Understanding' and the Cross-curriculum Priority 'Asia and Australia's Engagement with Asia' will not assist our students to live in an increasingly globalised world. Our students will require knowledge and skills to participate as active citizens and to work across national borders, including high levels of inter-cultural understanding.

Therefore, I do not support the removal of 'Asia' content and Cross Curriculum Priority in the NSW Curriculum.

Additionally, I support the recommendation in the Curriculum Review Interim Report that advanced subjects be grouped into a new set of learning areas such as 'Business, Economics and Financial Services'. This is welcomed, providing that the content includes reference to globalisation and Asia in the context of Australia's economy, trading partners, and intercultural understandings.

I also support the recommendation that every student commence learning a second language during their primary years, provided they are Asian languages.

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