From:
To: House of Assembly - GAA

Subject: A school community of nurturing care and compassion

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Re: A school community of nurturing care and compassion

Dear Committee Secretary,

I was alarmed to hear of the high levels of bullying of Australian teenagers and especially in Tasmania. I sent my children to a Christian school and I am thankful that it was a safe space for my children to learn and grow. Also our grandchildren have been blessed to be part of beautiful caring communities in their Christian schooling. My 11 year old grandson says that his parents, church family and teachers are his support base with great influence. When issues arise at school he trusts his teacher to address the issue with love and grace, with positive outcomes because of the love of Jesus in her life. She is kind, compassionate and caring and speaks to both sides of the problem. Christian schools strive to be communities of care and compassion because we desire to follow the example of Jesus. In my experience they work hard to address bullying and have a strong culture of care and compassion for all students. I am asking the Committee to ensure that Christian schools can continue to provide the caring, nurturing environment that has been chosen for my children and future generations.

Sincerely, Mrs. Bron Baker

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