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Dear Bishop O'Kelly

I am pleased to be able to present to you the 2010 Annual Report of the National Catholic Education Commission.

The National Catholic Education Commission had a busy and productive year and we thank you and the Bishops Commission for Catholic Education for your continuing support.

Yours sincerely

Mrs Therese Temby

Therese Temby

Chair

April 2011



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Bishops Commission for Catholic Education

The National Catholic Education Commission (NCEC) is responsible to the Australian Catholic Bishops Conference (ACBC) through the Bishops Commission for Catholic Education (BCCE).

Members of the BCCE are:

- Most Rev. Gregory O'Kelly SJ, AM, Bishop of Port Pirie Chairman
- Most Rev. Tim Costelloe SDB, Assistant Bishop of Melbourne
- · Most Rev. James Foley, Bishop of Cairns
- · Most Rev. Gerard Holohan, Bishop of Bunbury

The BCCE met on three occasions in 2010. It reported to the Australian Catholic Bishops Conference Plenary Meetings in May and November.

Bishops Holohan and Foley were members of the NCEC during 2010. Both Bishops O'Kelly and Costelloe also attended occasional meetings of NCEC as observers during 2010.



Role of the National Catholic Education Commission

The National Catholic Education Commission (NCEC) is the official body charged by the Australian Catholic Bishops Conference with developing, advising, enunciating and acting upon policy at the national level for the Church's work in education. NCEC is directly responsible to the Bishops Commission for Catholic Education.

The NCEC is the focal point for ongoing discussions and negotiations with the Australian Government and other national bodies involved in education. The Commission is also a national forum for discussion and debate on significant matters of interest and concern to Catholic education in Australia.

Responsibilities include:

- liaison with the Australian Government and other key national educational bodies;
- monitoring trends in educational theory and practice in Australia and overseas;
- consulting, complementing and supporting Catholic education in each state and territory;
- identifying and disseminating data relevant to Catholic education;
- · monitoring developments in religious education; and
- monitoring and encouraging research in Catholic education.

Membership of the NCEC

The NCEC consists of:

- Two Bishops of the Bishops Commission for Catholic Education.
- A Chair appointed by the Australian Catholic Bishops Conference.
- Two members drawn from, and nominated by, Catholic Religious Australia.
- The Executive Directors of each state and territory Catholic Education Commission.
- The Vice-Chancellors of the two Catholic universities in Australia.
- Six other persons appointed by the Australian Catholic Bishops Conference. One of these members shall be an Indigenous person and two shall be parent members drawn from nominations made by the state and territory Catholic Education Commissions.

Membership of the NCEC is ordinarily for a period of four years.

MEMBERSHIP

National Catholic Education Commission



Chair: Mrs Therese Temby



Deputy Chair: Dr Brian Croke Executive Director, Catholic Education Commission, New South Wales



Mr Michael Avery
Executive Director,
Catholic Education Office,
Northern Territory



Mr Mike Byrne
Executive Director,
Queensland Catholic
Education Commission



Br Julian Casey fms Nominee of Catholic Religious Australia



Hon Greg Crafter AO Nominee of the Australian Catholic Bishops Conference

MEMBERSHIP (continued)

National Catholic Education Commission



Professor Greg Craven Vice-Chancellor, Australian Catholic University



Mrs Danielle Cronin
Parent nominee,
Bishops Commission
for Catholic Education



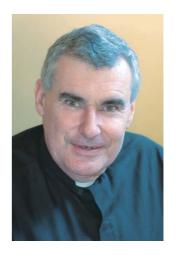
Mr Allan Dooley Nominee of the Australian Catholic Bishops Conference



Mr Ron Dullard Director, Catholic Education Office, Western Australia



Mr Stephen Elder
Director, Catholic
Education Commission
Victoria



Bishop James Foley Bishop of Cairns

MEMBERSHIP (continued)

National Catholic Education Commission



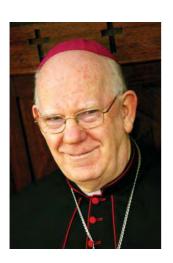
Professor Celia Hammond Dr Melinda Harris Vice-Chancellor. University of Notre Dame Australia



Parent nominee. Bishops Commission for Catholic Education



Dr Trish Hindmarsh Director, Tasmanian Catholic Education Commission



Bishop Gerard Holohan Bishops Commission for Catholic Education



Sr Rosemary Lewins OP Nominee of Catholic Religious Australia



Ms Delsie Lillyst Nominee of the Australian Catholic Bishops Conference, Indigenous representative

MEMBERSHIP (continued)

National Catholic Education Commission



Mrs Moira Najdecki
Director, Catholic
Education Commission,
Archdiocese of Canberra
and Goulburn



Mr Tony O'Byrne Principal, Aquinas College, Ringwood Victoria



Ms Jane Swift
Director, South Australian
Commission for
Catholic Schools

NCEC SECRETARIAT

Dr William Griffiths (pictured) Chief Executive Officer

Staff

Mr Tim Smith, Executive Officer
Ms Erin Taylor, Research Officer (part-time)
Ms Cecilia Roesler (part-time) and Ms Lee Miller,
Administrative Staff (until March)
Mrs Jo Pardoe, Executive Assistant (from April)



MEETINGS

National Catholic Education Commission meetings

C 183	Melbourne, 17 and 18 February
C 184	Sydney, 23 April
C 185	Sydney, 24 and 25 June
C 186	Hobart, 9 September
C 187	Melbourne, 18 and 19 November

Topics discussed by NCEC

- Public Juridic Persons new authorities for some Australian Catholic schools.
- Australian Curriculum Assessment and Reporting Authority (ACARA) the Index
 of Community Socio-Educational Advantage (ICSEA); the Australian Curriculum,
 particularly with regard to Religious Education; the second iteration of the My School
 website, particularly regarding the reporting of income at school level.
- Department of Education, Employment and Workplace Relations (DEEWR) —
 various matters regarding financial accountability (the Financial Questionnaire;
 the proposed Financial Heath Assessment checks) and the Review of Funding for
 Schooling.
- Review of Funding for Schooling NCEC seminars, technical workshops, research, reports and submissions.
- National Catholic Education Convention, September 2011, Adelaide.
- Federal election August 2010.
- Students with a Disability funding policy.
- Social justice issues in Catholic schools.
- St Mary of the Cross MacKillop.
- Australian Institute for Teaching and School Leadership (AITSL).



Report on NCEC activities

Membership

There were no changes in the membership of NCEC during 2010.

Dr Brian Croke was re-elected Deputy Chair for 2010.

Bishop Greg O'Kelly SJ and Bishop Tim Costelloe SDB, while not formally members of NCEC, continued to attend NCEC meetings in 2010 as their schedules allowed.

NCEC work during 2010

A major focus for NCEC during 2010 was ongoing funding for Catholic schools. In April 2010, the then Minister for Education launched the foreshadowed Review of Funding for Schooling, establishing an expert panel under the leadership of Mr David Gonski AC to prepare a report by the end of 2011 for government on all funding for all schools.

To engage effectively with this Review, NCEC had already in 2009 set up its Funding Research Project. The first task for the Funding Research Project, Funding Principles for Catholic Schools, had been completed late in 2009 and endorsed by the Australian Catholic Bishops Conference.

In January and February, NCEC worked with an external consultant to define the parameters for its initial submission to the Gonski Funding Review Panel and to clarify issues that needed further detailed research. NCEC met initially with the Gonski Panel in July, and the first submission to the Panel was finalised and submitted in November, 2010. The first submission was a report prepared by Ernst and Young that detailed the scope, purposes and achievements of Catholic schools across the nation.

The federal election held in August 2010 further sharpened the work focus for NCEC on school funding. NCEC, working in close cooperation with state and territory Catholic Education Commissions, engaged with the major political parties to outline key funding issues affecting Catholic schools. This approach gained in-principle bipartisan support. The Coalition undertook to maintain current funding levels while seeking ways to "enhance" funding mechanisms. The incoming Gillard minority government had undertaken to extend the current funding arrangements for one year, to end in 2013, pending the outcomes of the Gonski Funding Review, while promising that "no school would lose a dollar" in funding.

Committee membership and major project works

Religious Education Committee meetings

RE 123	Melbourne, II March
RE 124	Teleconference, 27 May
RE 125	Melbourne, I7 August
RE 126	Melbourne, II November

Membership

Bishop Gerard Holohan (Chair)

Ms Philomena Billington (Vic)

Mr Tony Byrne (Vic)

Mr Ernie Christie (Qld)

Bishop Tim Costelloe SDB

Ms Andrea Dean (ACT)

Mrs Helen Healy (Tas)

Ms Margaret Hughes (NT)

Mr John McGrath (NSW)

Mrs Anne McLean (Parent Committee)

Mr Tony O'Byrne (NCEC representative)

Ms Debra Sayce (WA)

Dr Paul Sharkey (SA) until August

Mr Michael Vial (SA) from September

Ms Ann Maree Whenman (NSW)

Dr William Griffiths (Secretariat)

- School e-learning resource for the implementation of the new translation of the Roman Missal
- The Religious Education strands and topics for the National Catholic Education Convention, 21–23 September 2011.
- Religious Education curriculum in Catholic schools and the national Australian Curriculum.
- Youth Ministry in Catholic schools.
- Catholic schools and students from Eastern Rite Catholic and Orthodox families.
- Religious Education monograph revision.

Executive Committee meetings

Melbourne, 22 January

Melbourne, 25 March

Teleconference, 20 May

Melbourne, 19 August

Canberra, 14 October

Membership

Mrs Therese Temby (Chair)

Mr Michael Avery (NT)

Mr Mike Byrne (Qld)

Dr Brian Croke (NSW)

Mr Ron Dullard (WA)

Mr Stephen Elder (Vic)

Bishop James Foley (NCEC)

Dr Patricia Hindmarsh (Tas)

Sr Rosemary Lewins (NCEC)

Mrs Moira Najdecki (ACT)

Ms Jane Swift (SA)

Dr William Griffiths (Secretariat)

The work of the Executive Committee is to monitor and sustain the policy work of NCEC between Commission meetings by providing ongoing advice to the Chair.

Finance Committee meetings

Teleconference, 3 February

Sydney, 22 April

Teleconference, 25 August

Teleconference, 27 October

Membership

Mr Mike Byrne (Chair)

Mr Ron Dullard (WA)

Mrs Therese Temby (NCEC Chair)

Dr William Griffiths (Secretariat)

Topics discussed

The Finance Committee met quarterly to prepare reports to NCEC on its finances, comparing expenditure to budget on a range of key items.

Parent Committee meetings

Melbourne, 19 March

Melbourne, 18 June

Melbourne, 22 October

Membership.

Mrs Danielle Cronin (Chair)

Ms Kim Bellert (Qld)

Mr Paul Dickie (Qld) until June

Ms Carmel Nash (Qld) from July

Mr Michael Hangan (Tas)

Mrs Carolyn Gutteridge (Tas)

Mrs Catherine Ible (NSW)

Mrs Sharon Cooke (NSW)

Ms Helen Delahunty (ACT)

Mr Brendan Egan (ACT)

Dr Melinda Harris (WA)

Mr Paul Rafferty (WA)

Ms Dianne Mack (SA)

Mrs Jlse Sanderson (SA)

Mr Sean Parnell (NT)

Mr Robert Bertagnolio (Vic)

Ms Barbara Reid (Vic) until June

Mr Tony Bentley (Vic) from October

Mr Tim Smith (Secretariat)

- Reporting income at school level.
- ACARA My School website.
- The relationship between the Index of Community Socio-Educational Advantage (ICSEA) scores and NAPLAN results on the My School website.
- Early Childhood Education and Care Working Party.
- Parental Engagement in Schooling Low Socio-Economic Communities.
- ACARA Parent Satisfaction Surveys.
- National Early Childhood Quality Framework for out of school hours care.
- National Safe Schools Framework and Bullying in Schools National Agenda.
- National Professional Teacher Standards.

Data Committee meetings

Sydney, 3 March

Sydney, 5 August

Teleconference, 9 November

Membership

Dr Brian Croke (Chair)

Mr John Barker (ACT)

Ms Ann Daley (Tas)

Mr Richard Keys (NT)

Ms Eileen Lawrance (WA)

Mr Pat Love (Vic)

Mr Greg Rogers (Qld)

Mr Crichton Smith (NSW)

Dr Vin Thomas (SA)

Mr Bill Walsh (NSW)

Mr Tim Smith (Secretariat)

- Australian Catholic Schools 2009 report.
- Collections of parish sacramental data.
- My School website data.





Employment Relations Committee meetings

Melbourne, 18 March

Teleconference, 26 May

Melbourne, 27 August

Teleconference, 18 November

Membership

Ms Jane Swift (Chair)

Mr Allan Clark (Tas)

Mr Charbel Haddad (CCER NSW) from November

Ms Carolyn Hadley (NSW)

Mr Norm Howett (Vic)

Mr Eric Leahy (CCER NSW) until October

Mr Vin McPhee (Vic)

Mr Susan O'Connor (ACCER)

Ms Natasha O'Donoghue (ACT)

Mr Greg O'Mullane (NT)

Mr Colin O'Neill (Qld)

Mr John Pacconi (Tas)

Mr Kevin Twomey (Qld)

Dr Vin Thomas (SA)

Ms Karen Wroughton (WA)

Mr Tim Smith (Secretariat)

- National Long Service Leave Portability Agreement.
- Coverage of Catholic Education Office staff under modern awards.
- Child protection policies, legislation and papers.
- Occupational Health and Safety.
- Award modernisation.
- NAPLAN testing restrictions.
- Implications of Fair Work Act 2009 Carers and Compassionate Leave.

Technology Committee meetings

Canberra, 16 March

Teleconference, 10 May

Canberra, 6 August

Teleconference, 9 November

Membership

Mrs Moira Najdecki (Chair)

Mr Adrian Brown (NSW)

Mr Liam Garvey (Qld)

Mr Jeff Gunn (Vic)

Mr Michael Haigh (ACT)

Mr Richard Keys (NT)

Mr Tom Mittiga (SA)

Dr Alec O'Connell (WA)

Mr Vince Summers (Tas)

Mr Tim Smith (Secretariat)

- Education Copyright Matrix.
- edu.au policy amendments.
- Digital Education Revolution, evaluation framework, teaching for a digital age.
- Digital strategy for teachers and school leaders.
- National Catholic Education Wikipedia entry.
- Implications and impact of the Building the Education Revolution (BER) on the provision of ICT in schools.
- Australian 'online' curriculum.





Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Education Committee meetings

Melbourne, 19 February

Teleconference, 18 May

Melbourne, 10 August

Membership

Mr Michael Avery (Chair)

Mr Geoff Aufderheide (SA)

Ms Christine Butterworth (Tas)

Ms Jane Ceolin (Qld)

Ms Robyn Collard (WA)

Mr David Huggins (Vic)

Ms Delsie Lillyst (NCEC)

Mrs Kerry O'Callaghan (ACT)

Mr Frank Pearce (NSW)

Mr Chris Pollard (NT)

Mr Tim Smith (Secretariat)

- The Commonwealth Government funded 'What Works': Improving outcomes for Indigenous students.
- National Indigenous Education Assistance Plan, issues and implications.
- Identification of 'focus schools'.
- Federal election issues in Aboriginal education.
- Involving schools in the Parent and Community Engagement Program.
- Indigenous Supplementary Assistance.
- Indigenous Funding Guarantee.
- Indigenous Youth Leadership program.
- Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Grandparent Committees in Catholic schools.

Early Childhood Education and Child Care Working Party meetings

Melbourne, 16 February

Melbourne, 26 August

Membership

Dr Melinda Harris (Chair)

Sr Patty Andrew (NSW)

Mr Bruno Benci (SA)

Mrs Ann Carolin (SA)

Mrs Helen Casey (ACT)

Ms Terry Creagh (Qld)

Mrs Danielle Cronin (NSW)

Mr Allan Dooley (Vic) until August

Dr Cathie Harrison (NSW)

Mr Dennis Higgins (Vic) from September

Ms Stephanie Jackiewicz (WA)

Ms Brenda Keenan (NT)

Ms Rosalie Nott (NSW)

Ms Debra Punton (Vic) until August

Mr Tom Sexton (Vic)

Ms Jane Slattery (QCEC)

Mr Tim Smith (Secretariat)

- Early years Learning Framework implementation and links to Australian Curriculum.
- Early childhood education and care in remote communities.
- The implications of the introduction of the My Child website.
- Universal access to preschool for four year olds.
- The implications of the My School website for early childhood centres.
- Spiritual formation in early childhood.





Representation on national bodies

The Commission recognises the significance of NCEC representation on national education bodies and appreciates the time and effort expended by its many nominated representatives.

During 2010, the following officers represented NCEC on committees and working parties or as contact persons for the Catholic sector in various national education policy areas and projects. To inform their national representative work these representatives often establish contact networks with colleagues with the relevant responsibilities and expertise throughout Australian Catholic education. NCEC also appreciates the contribution these contact network officers make to the development of national policy.

Key to representative's associations

CECNSW	Catholic Education Commission, New South Wales
CEO	Catholic Education Office
CEOACT	Catholic Education Office, Australian Capital Territory
CEOM	Catholic Education Office, Melbourne
CEOTAS	Catholic Education Office, Tasmania
CEOWA	Catholic Education Office, Western Australia
CESA	Catholic Education South Australia
ISCA	Independent Schools Council of Australia
QCEC	Queensland Catholic Education Commission

Committee	NCEC representative		
Australian Curriculum Assessment and Reporting Authority (ACARA)			
Assessment and Reporting Policy Advisory Panel	Ms Rosalie Nott	CECNSW	
Directors of Curriculum	Ms Terry Creagh	QCEC	
Directors of Curriculum	Mrs Helen O'Brien	CESA	
Directors of Curriculum	Mr Seamus O'Grady	CECNSW	
Directors of Curriculum	Ms Debra Punton	CEOM	
English as an Additional Language/Dialect (EAL/D) Working Group	Ms Mary-Anne Fleming	QCEC	
Finance Data Working Group	Mr David Wilkes	CEOM	
Growth Working Group	Dr John DeCourcy	CEO Parramatta	
Information and Communication Technologies Literacy 2011 Review Committee	Mr Liam Garvey	QCEC	
NAPLAN National Testing Working Group	Ms Karen Ferrante	CECNSW	
Satisfaction Surveys Working Group	Dr Mary Oski	CEOM	
Special Education Working Group	Ms Geraldine Gray CECNS\		
Australian Education, Early Childhood Development and Committee (AEEYSOC)	Youth Affairs Senior Office	cials	
AEEYSOC Safe and Supportive School Communities	Ms Helen Thomas	CEOM	
Australian Information and Communications Technology in Education Committee (AICTEC)	Mr Liam Garvey	QCEC	
Copyright Advisory Group	Mr Ian Baker	CECNSW	
Copyright Law Subgroup NEALS	Mr Ian Baker	CECNSW	
Digital Education Revolution Teaching in the Digital Age (TDA) Reference Group	Mr Paul Meldrum	CEO Parramatta	
Early Childhood Development Working Group	Ms Terry Creagh	QCEC	
Enabling Technologies and Technical Standards Advisory Group	Mr Jeff Gunn	CEOM	
Finance Committee of the Schools Resourcing Taskforce (AGSRC, FQ)	Ms Jane Callaghan	CEOM	
Indigenous Education Working Group	Mr Kevin Comber	CESA	
National Education and Training Statistics Unit (NETSU)	Mr Michael Haigh	CEOACT	
National Goals of Schooling Working Group	Mr Ron Dullard	CEOWA	
National Interoperability and Digital Architecture Advisory Group	Mr Jeff Gunn	CEOM	

Committee	NCEC representative		
AEEYSOC (continued)			
National Partnerships Implementation Working Group	Mrs Moira Najdecki	CEOACT	
Productivity Data Development Group	Mr Michael Haigh	CEOACT	
Schools Resourcing Taskforce	Mr Ron Dullard	CEOWA	
Schools Resourcing Working Group — Reporting Income at school level	Mr David Wilkes	CEOM	
Australian Government Department of Education, Emplo	yment and Workplace Re	elations	
Business School Connections Roundtable	Dr William Griffiths	NCEC	
Defining Students with Disability Expert Advisory Group	Ms Stephanie Grant	CESA	
Examination of Student Achievement in Asian Languages Education (ESAALE)	Ms Gillian Cordy	CECNSW	
Expert Reference Group — Evidence Base of Effective Practice in Literacy and Numeracy	Ms Jill Morgan	CEOTAS	
Financial Health Assessment Framework (FHAF)	Dr Bill Griffiths	NCEC	
Indigenous Youth Leadership Program (IYLP) national Reference Group	Ms Jane Ceolin	QCEC	
National Literacy and Numeracy Week Working Group	Ms Rosalie Nott	CECNSW	
National Quality Framework Early Childhood Development Stakeholder Reference Group	Mr Tim Smith	NCEC	
Positive Partnerships: Helping Children with Autism Advisory Committee	Ms Geraldine Gray	CECNSW	
Primary Connections Science and Literacy Project	Ms Kathy McGuigan	CESA	
Productivity Data Development Groups Unique Student Identifier Subgroup	Mr Michael Haigh	CEOACT	
Australian Institute for Teaching and School Leadership (AITSL)		
Working Group on Nationally Consistent Teacher Registration	Mrs Helen O'Brien	CESA	
Ministerial Council for Education, Early Childhood Develor (MCEECDYA)	opment and Youth Affairs		
Australian Curriculum Assessment and Reporting Authority (ACARA)	Dr Brian Croke	CECNSW	
Australian Institute of Teaching and School Leadership (AITSL)	Mr Stephen Elder	CEOM	
Education Services Australia	Dr Brian Croke	CECNSW	

Committee	NCEC representative		
MCEECDYA Working Groups			
Chief Information Officers Group	Mr Michael Haigh	CEOACT	
National Partnership on Youth Attainment and Transitions Multilateral Working Group	Mr Paul Rodney	CECNSW	
National School Interoperability Program (NSIP) Steering Group	Mr Jeff Gunn	CEOM	
National Standards Subgroup	Mr Mark Hogan	CEOACT	
National Steering Committee overseeing the development of a National Partnership to improve Year 12 attainment	Mr Stephen Elder	CEOM	
Teacher Quality Research Subgroup	Mr Mark Hogan	CEOACT	
Teacher Quality Steering Committee	Mr Mike Byrne	QCEC	
Working Group to Plan for the 2010 National Biennial Education Forum	Mr Tim Smith	NCEC	
Other			
ACU Mission and Identity Colloquium	Dr Paul Sharkey	CESA	
Allanah and Madeline Foundation National Centre Against Bullying	Ms Mary Tobin	CEOM	
Asia Education Foundation (AEF) Board	Mrs Helen O'Brien	CESA	
Asia Literacy Ambassadors in Schools Project Advisory Group (AEF)	Mr Ludgero Rego	CESA	
Education Services Australia Board Member	Dr Brian Croke	CECNSW	
International Education	Ms Mariana Lane	ISCA	
National Education for Sustainability Network	Dr Pauline Sharma	CEOM	
National Reference Group on Consumer and Financial Literacy Education	Dr Vin Thomas	CESA	
Schools First Judging Panel	Ms Mary Tobin	CEOM	
Standing Committee on Immigration and Multicultural Affairs	Mr David Huggins	CEOM	
Values Education Project Advisory Group	Ms Phillipa Lovell	CEOM	



Summary statistics data is from the NCEC Australian Catholic Education Statistics database and the Department of Education, Employment and Workplace Relations Annual School Census and Financial Questionnaire. Note that totals may vary to the sum of the parts due to rounding.

Catholic schools in Australia, 2010

	2010	% of schools	Change from 2009
Primary schools	1,227	72%	+ 5
Secondary schools	316	19%	-9
Combined primary/secondary	148	9%	+ 7
Special	10	1%	0
Total	1,701	100%	+ 2

Students in Australian Catholic schools, 2010

	2010	% of students	Change from 2009
Primary schools	390,167	55%	+ 6,404
Secondary schools	322,697	45%	+ 2,602
Total	712,864	100%	+ 9,006

Specific student groups in Australian Catholic schools, 2010

	2010	% of students	Change from 2009
Students with disabilities	26,627	3.7%	+ 1,822
Indigenous students	15,192	2.1%	+ 931
Full fee-paying overseas students	6,520	0.9%	- 210
Boarding students (52 boarding schools)	2,227	0.3%	- I52

Enrolment trends in Australian Catholic schools

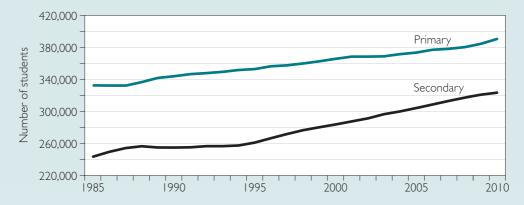
Student enrolments

There were nearly 713,000 students in Australian Catholic schools in 2010, which was an increase of 138,000 since 1985. From 2009 to 2010 the number grew by 9,000, which was 1,500 more than the previous year's increase.



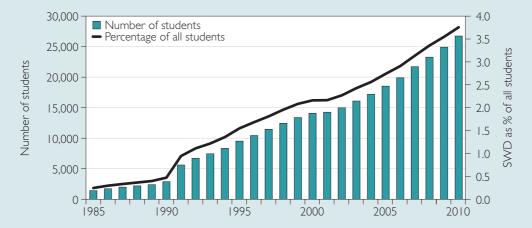
Student enrolment growth

Primary and secondary enrolments continue to increase in Australian Catholic schools. Primary enrolments rose by 6,400 from 2009 to 2010, while secondary enrolments rose by 2,600. Since 1985, more than 58% of the growth in enrolments has been in secondary students, who now represent 45% of enrolments.



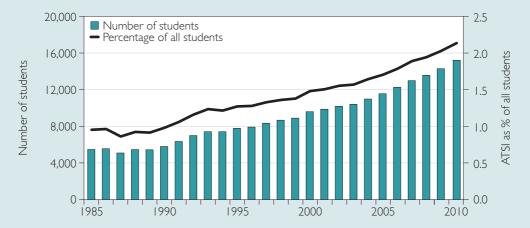
Students with disabilities

In 2010, there were 26,600 students with disabilities in Catholic schools which saw a rise of 1,800 from the previous year. Students with disabilities now represent 3.7% of students in Catholic schools.



Indigenous students

There were 15,200 Indigenous students in Catholic schools in 2010, which represented 2.1% of all students. This was a rise of 930 students from the previous year.



Staff (full-time equivalent) in Australian Catholic schools, 2010

	2010	% of staff	Change from 2009
Teachers (including Principals)	47,242	73%	+ 577
Non-teaching staff	17,271	27%	+ 750
Total staff (full-time equivalent)	64,513	100%	+ 1,327

Teachers (including Principals, full-time equivalent), 2010

	2010	% of teachers	Change from 2009
Primary	22,066	47%	+ 394
Secondary	25,057	53%	+ 188
Special	120	< 1%	- 4
Female	32,736	69%	+ 394
Male	14,507	31%	+ 188
Primary teachers			
Female	18,119	82%	+ 326
Male	3,947	18%	+ 186
Secondary teachers			
Female	14,527	58%	+ 186
Male	10,530	42%	+ 2
Special school teachers			
Female	90	75%	- 5
Male	30	25%	+

Student/staff ratios (full-time equivalent), 2010

	Primary	Secondary
Student / teaching staff	17.7	12.9
Student / total staff	13.3	9.2

Sources of funding, 2009

Income per student

	Primary schools		Secondary schools		Combined primary/ secondary		All Catholic schools	
Commonwealth grants	\$6,804	66%	\$7,144	53%	\$6,484	45%	\$6,871	57%
State grants	\$1,814	17%	\$2,362	17%	\$2,186	15%	\$2,067	17%
Private income	\$1,751	17%	\$4,023	30%	\$5,885	40%	\$3,221	26%
Total income	\$10,369	100%	\$13,528	100%	\$14,555	100%	\$12,159	100%
Commonwealth grantsState grantsPrivate income								

Expenditure per student

	Primary schools	Secondary schools	Combined primary/ secondary	All Catholic schools
Recurrent	\$7,927	\$11,627	\$12,209	\$9,923
Capital	\$2,447	\$1,920	\$2,783	\$2,317
Total	\$10,375	\$13,547	\$14,993	\$12,239

Annual movement

	Primary schools	Secondary schools	Combined primary/ secondary	All Catholic schools
Loans at start of year	\$1,851	\$3,010	\$4,570	\$2,700
Loans at end of year	\$1,981	\$3,124	\$4,979	\$2,870
Annual movement of borrowings	\$130	\$113	\$409	\$169

Summary statistics by state/territory, 2010

A. Schools

	ACT	NSW	NT	QLD	SA	TAS	VIC	WA	AUST
Primary	23	419	7	195	68	24	381	110	1,227
Secondary	5	131	3	68	9	5	89	6	316
Combined *	2	27	5	26	22	8	16	42	148
Special	0	6	0	0	2	0	2	0	10
Total	30	583	15	289	101	37	488	158	1,701
Boarding	0	17	1	16	5	0	5	7	51

^{*} Primary and secondary

B. Students (full-time equivalent)

	ACT	NSW	NT	QLD	SA	TAS	VIC	WA	AUST
Primary	8,787	124,107	2,789	77,451	28,018	7,497	101,711	39,808	390,167
Secondary	8,599	116,707	1,956	54,269	19,283	6,966	88,520	26,397	322,697
Total	17,386	240,814	4,745	131,720	47,300	14,463	190,231	66,204	712,864

C. Boarding students (full-time equivalent)

	ACT	NSW	NT	QLD	SA	TAS	VIC	WA	AUST
Primary	0	3	0	20	4	0	0	16	43
Secondary	0	2,573	175	2,184	295	0	376	874	6,477
Total	0	2,576	175	2,204	299	0	376	890	6,520

D. Full fee-paying overseas students

	ACT	NSW	NT	QLD	SA	TAS	VIC	WA	AUST
Primary	8	57	0	70	13	0	253	50	451
Secondary	П	649	56	414	294	4	247	101	1,776
Total	19	706	56	484	307	4	500	151	2,227

E. Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander students

	ACT	NSW	NT	QLD	SA	TAS	VIC	WA	AUST
Primary	114	2,915	958	2,198	330	356	463	1,551	8,885
Secondary	114	2,014	650	1,984	206	244	410	687	6,307
Total	228	4,929	1,608	4,182	536	600	873	2,238	15,192

F. Students with disabilities

	ACT	NSW	NT	QLD	SA	TAS	VIC	WA	AUST
Primary	197	6,612	154	2,414	1,196	183	4,439	1,453	16,648
Secondary	158	4,294	62	1,405	524	123	2,719	694	9,979
Total	355	10,906	216	3,819	1,720	306	7,158	2,147	26,627

G. Teachers (full-time equivalent including Principals)

	ACT	NSW	NT	QLD	SA	TAS	VIC	WA	AUST
Primary									
Females	372	5,657	156	3,458	1,275	308	5,169	1,723	18,119
Males	107	1,059	27	807	375	97	1,035	441	3,947
Persons	479	6,716	183	4,265	1,650	405	6,204	2,164	22,066
Secondary									
Females	351	5,172	103	2,413	874	293	4,096	1,226	14,527
Males	246	3,659	76	1,809	698	228	2,864	950	10,530
Persons	597	8,831	179	4,222	1,572	521	6,960	2,176	25,057
Special									
Females	0	61	0	0	18	0	12	0	90
Males	0	19	0	0	6	0	4	0	30
Persons	0	80	0	0	24	0	16	0	120
All teachers									
Females	723	10,890	259	5,871	2,167	601	9,277	2,949	32,736
Males	353	4,737	103	2,616	1,079	325	3,903	1,391	14,507
Persons	1,076	15,627	362	8,487	3,246	926	13,180	4,340	47,243

H. Non-teaching staff (full-time equivalent)

	ACT	NSW	NT	QLD	SA	TAS	VIC	WA	AUST
Primary	114	1,733	152	1,743	610	185	1,526	1,183	7,246
Secondary	243	2,793	96	2,104	599	246	2,809	995	9,885
Special	0	84	0	0	36	0	20	0	140
Total	357	4,610	248	3,847	1,245	431	4,355	2,178	17,271

I. Student/teaching staff (full-time equivalent) ratio

	ACT	NSW	NT	QLD	SA	TAS	VIC	WA	AUST
Primary	18.3	18.5	15.2	18.2	17	18.5	16.4	18.4	17.7
Secondary	14.4	13.2	10.9	12.9	12.3	13.4	12.7	12.1	12.9

J. Student/all staff (full-time equivalent) ratio

	ACT	NSW	NT	QLD	SA	TAS	VIC	WA	AUST
Primary	14.8	14.7	8.3	12.9	12.4	12.7	13.2	11.9	13.3
Secondary	10.2	10	7.1	8.6	8.9	9.1	9.1	8.3	9.2



K. Income and expenditure (\$ per student), 2009

Catholic primary schools (see note 1 below)

	ACT	NSW	NT	QLD	SA	TAS	VIC	WA	AUST
Commonwealth	5,942	6,632	8,866	5,916	6,858	7,615	7,761	6,262	6,804
gov't grants									
State gov't grants	1,623	1,907	2,109	1,993	1,533	1,670	1,576	2,067	1,814
Total private income	2,517	1,892	2,300	1,793	2,161	1,484	1,522	1,422	1,751
Fees and charges	1,630	1,207	1,012	1,443	1,753	1,123	1,032	1,088	1,230
Private donations and income	887	686	1,289	350	407	361	490	334	521
Total income	10,081	10,431	13,275	9,702	10,552	10,769	10,860	9,752	10,369
Recurrent expenditure	7,536	8,222	9,948	7,837	8,373	7,310	7,548	8,020	7,927
Capital expenditure	2,630	2,164	3,185	1,957	2,051	3,145	3,335	1,814	2,447
Total expenditure	10,167	10,386	13,133	9,794	10,424	10,455	10,883	9,834	10,375
Loans at start of year	747	2,223	1,174	1,531	3,101	2,289	1,494	1,725	1,851
Loans at end of year	718	2,304	1,458	1,693	2,983	2,381	1,720	1,859	1,981
Annual movement in borrowing	-29	82	284	162	-118	93	226	134	130

Catholic secondary schools (see note 1 below)

	ACT	NSW	NT	QLD	SA	TAS	VIC	WA	AUST
Commonwealth gov't grants	6,003	7,120	10,181	7,537	7,189	8,029	7,000	7,025	7,144
State gov't grants	2,083	2,564	2,689	2,700	2,090	2,497	1,888	2,975	2,362
Total private income	4,865	4,141	4,635	4,079	4,224	2,951	3,871	3,616	4,023
Fees and charges	4,239	3,196	2,600	3,443	3,779	2,623	3,422	3,102	3,331
Private donations and income	626	945	2,036	635	445	328	449	515	691
Total income	12,950	13,826	17,506	14,316	13,504	13,476	12,759	13,616	13,528
Recurrent expenditure	11,000	11,771	12,703	11,972	11,781	10,718	11,365	11,547	11,627
Capital expenditure	1,009	1,522	4,661	2,340	2,220	2,924	2,023	2,972	1,920
Total expenditure	12,009	13,293	17,364	14,312	14,002	13,642	13,389	14,518	13,547
Loans at start of year	1,925	3,075	1,379	3,060	2,314	2,735	3,063	3,155	3,010
Loans at end of year	1,920	2,947	1,264	3,106	2,876	2,996	3,371	4,030	3,124
Annual movement in borrowing	-5	-I28	-115	46	563	261	308	875	113

I. Figures are rounded to the nearest dollar. Totals may vary to the sum of the parts due to rounding.

K. Income and expenditure (\$ per student), 2009

Catholic combined primary/secondary schools (see note 1 below)

	ACT	NSW	NT	QLD	SA	TAS	VIC	WA	AUST
Commonwealth	6,465	6,182	10,757	6,658	6,464	6,943	5,762	6,523	6,484
gov't grants									
State gov't grants	1,877	2,225	2,456	2,460	1,682	1,879	1,734	2,602	2,186
Total private income	5,117	7,264	3,370	4,693	5,414	2,979	10,873	4,758	5,885
Fees and charges	4,495	6,015	1,366	4,035	4,566	2,129	9,416	4,042	4,951
Private donations	622	1,249	2,004	658	847	850	1,457	716	934
and income									
Total income	13,459	15,671	16,583	13,811	13,560	11,800	18,368	13,883	14,555
Recurrent expenditure	11,423	13,002	13,449	11,629	11,752	9,415	15,446	11,500	12,209
Capital expenditure	1,659	2,392	5,094	2,442	2,343	2,918	3,586	3,502	2,783
Total expenditure	13,082	15,394	18,544	14,071	14,095	12,333	19,033	15,002	14,993
Loans at start of year	2,847	4,469	1,726	5,035	5,378	3,731	5,650	3,519	4,570
Loans at end of year	2,606	4,280	1,340	5,407	5,820	4,423	5,925	4,694	4,979
Annual movement in borrowing	-241	-189	-386	372	441	692	275	1,174	409

All Catholic schools (see note I below)

	ACT	NSW	NT	QLD	SA	TAS	VIC	WA	AUST
Commonwealth	6,049	6,792	9,940	6,546	6,722	7,510	7,320	6,484	6,871
gov't grants									
State gov't grants	1,832	2,214	2,389	2,296	1,675	1,984	1,718	2,410	2,067
Total private income	3,799	3,369	3,295	3,052	3,914	2,419	3,071	2,960	3,221
Fees and charges	3,050	2,519	1,540	2,555	3,302	1,903	2,542	2,462	2,573
Private donations	748	850	1,756	496	612	516	529	498	648
and income									
Total income	11,680	12,375	15,624	11,893	12,312	11,913	12,109	11,854	12,159
Recurrent expenditure	9,436	10,186	12,014	9,822	10,363	9,022	9,637	9,837	9,923
Capital expenditure	1,879	1,917	4,305	2,168	2,207	3,003	2,792	2,600	2,317
Total expenditure	11,315	12,103	16,319	11,990	12,569	12,025	12,428	12,438	12,239
Loans at start of year	1,519	2,803	1,444	2,686	4,032	2,906	2,406	2,595	2,700
Loans at end of year	1,465	2,770	1,364	2,855	4,259	3,251	2,670	3,218	2,870
Annual movement in borrowing	–55	-33	-80	170	227	344	264	623	169

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NATIONAL CATHOLIC EDUCATION COMMISSION

Financial report for the year ended 31 December 2010

NATIONAL CATHOLIC EDUCATION COMMISSION'S REPORT

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2010

The National Catholic Education Commission (NCEC) submits their financial report for the year ended 31 December 2010.

Commission members

The NCEC is appointed by the Bishops Commission for Catholic Education. The NCEC consists of 21 members representing various aspects of Catholic education.

Principal activities

The principal activities of the NCEC during the financial year were to develop, enunciate and act upon policy at the national level for the Catholic Church's work in education on behalf of the Australian Catholic Bishops Conference.

Significant changes

No significant change in the nature of these activities occurred during the year.

Operating result

There was a net operating surplus of \$312,857 for 2010.

Signed on behalf of the NCEC.

Dr William Griffiths Chief Executive Officer

Dated April 2010

Mrs Therese Temby

Therese Temby

Chair

INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT TO THE MEMBERS OF THE NATIONAL CATHOLIC EDUCATION COMMISSION

Report on the financial statements

We have audited the accompanying financial statements, being a special purpose financial statements, of the National Catholic Education Commission (the Commission), which comprises the statement of financial position as at 31 December 2010, the statement of comprehensive income, statement of changes in equity, and statement of cash flows for the year then ended, a summary of significant accounting policies, other explanatory notes and the statement by the Chief Executive Officer of the Commission.

Commission's responsibility for the financial statements

The Commission is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of the financial statements and have determined that the accounting policies described in Note 1 to the financial statements, which form part of the financial statements, are appropriate to meet the needs of the members. The Commission's responsibilities also includes designing, implementing and maintaining internal control relevant to the preparation and fair presentation of the financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error; selecting and applying appropriate accounting policies; and making accounting estimates that are reasonable in the circumstances.

Auditor's responsibility

Our responsibility is to express an opinion on the financial statements based on our audit. No opinion is expressed as to whether the accounting policies used, as described in Note 1, are appropriate to meet the needs of the members. We conducted our audit in accordance with Australian Auditing Standards. These Auditing Standards require that we comply with relevant ethical requirements relating to audit engagements and plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance whether the financial statements are free from material misstatement.

An audit involves performing procedures to obtain audit evidence about the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. The procedures selected depend on the auditor's judgment, including the assessment of the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error. In making those risk assessments, the auditor considers internal control relevant to the entity's preparation and fair presentation of the financial statements in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the entity's internal control.

An audit also includes evaluating the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of accounting estimates made by the Commission, as well as evaluating the overall presentation of the financial statements.

The special purpose financial statements have been prepared for distribution to members for the purpose of fulfilling the Commission's financial reporting requirements. We disclaim any assumption of responsibility for any reliance on this report or on the financial statements to which it relates to any person other than the members, or for any purpose other than that for which it was prepared.

We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our audit opinion.

Independence

In conducting our audit, we have complied with the independence requirements of Australian professional ethical pronouncements.

Auditor's opinion

In our opinion, the financial statements presents fairly, in all material respects the financial position of the National Catholic Education Commission as at 31 December 2010 and of its financial performance for the year then ended in accordance with the accounting policies described in Note 1 to the financial statements.

Shane Bellchambers, CA

Partner

Registered Company Auditor

PricewaterhouseCoopers

Canberra, ACT **28** February 2011

STATEMENT OF COMPREHENSIVE INCOME

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2010

	Note	2010 \$	2009 \$
Revenue	2	1,476,435	946,575
Employee expenses		(410,737)	(400,870)
Depreciation and amortisation expenses	3	(16,050)	(10,537)
Rent expense		(34,756)	(32,988)
Meeting expenses		(345,407)	(362,690)
Outsourcing expenses		(12,277)	(91,087)
Interest paid	3	_	(330)
Office and other expenses		(344,351)	(107,332)
Profit/(Loss) for the period		312,857	(59,259)
Total comprehensive income for the period		312,857	(59,259)

THE ACCOMPANYING NOTES FORM PART OF THESE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION

AS AT 31 DECEMBER 2010

	Note	2010 \$	2009 \$
ASSETS			
CURRENT ASSETS			
Cash and cash equivalents	4	980,619	743,853
Trade and other receivables	5	76,166	17,438
Inventories	6	244	284
Other current assets	7	44,243	24,403
TOTAL CURRENT ASSETS	_	1,101,272	785,978
NON-CURRENT ASSETS			
Property, plant and equipment	8	16,867	25,462
Intangible assets	9	50,480	18,101
TOTAL NON-CURRENT ASSETS	_	67,347	43,563
TOTAL ASSETS	_	1,168,619	829,541
LIABILITIES			
CURRENT LIABILITIES			
Trade and other payables	10	101,281	70,352
Borrowings	П	_	3,589
TOTAL CURRENT LIABILITIES	-	101,281	73,941
NON-CURRENT LIABILITIES			
Borrowings	П	_	1,119
TOTAL NON-CURRENT LIABILITIES	_	_	1,119
TOTAL LIABILITIES	_	101,281	75,060
NET ASSETS		1,067,338	754,481
EQUITY			
Retained earnings		235,126	135,126
Reserves		832,212	619,355
TOTAL EQUITY		1,067,338	754,481
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THE ACCOMPANYING NOTES FORM PART OF THESE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN EQUITY

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2010

Retained	Capital Replacement and LSL Reserve	Policy Planning Reserve	National Convention Reserve	Total
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168,740	35,000	150,000	460,000	813,740
(59,259)				(59,259)
25,645				25,645
	(8,215)	(2,142)	(15,288)	(25,645)
135,126	26,785	147,858	444,712	754,481
312,857				312,857
(212,857)				(212,857)
	100,000	112,857		212,857
235,126	126,785	260,715	444,712	1,067,338

Total comprehensive income for the period

Balance at I January 2009

Transfers to retained earnings

Transfers to/(from) reserves

Total comprehensive income for the period

Balance at 31 December 2009

Transfers from retained earnings

Balance at 31 December 2010

Transfers to/(from) reserves

STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2010

	Note	2010 \$	2009 \$
CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES			
Receipts from subsidies and other income		1,383,812	918,972
Interest received		40,261	27,076
Interest paid			(330)
GST remitted to the ATO		56,469	52,979
Payments to employees and suppliers		(1,198,488)	(1,037,953)
Net cash (used in)/provided by operating activities	12	282,054	(39,256)
CASH FLOWS FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES			
Purchase of property, plant and equipment.		(40,580)	(33,206)
Net cash (used in) investing activities		(40,580)	(33,206)
CASH FLOWS FROM FINANCING ACTIVITIES			
Repayment of borrowings		(4,708)	(1,287)
Net cash (used in) financing activities		(4,708)	(1,287)
Net (decrease)/increase in cash held		236,766	(73,749)
Cash at beginning of the financial year		743,853	817,602
Cash at end of the financial year	4	980,619	743,853

THE ACCOMPANYING NOTES FORM PART OF THESE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS.

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2010

Note 1: Statement of significant accounting policies

The Commission have prepared the financial statements on the basis that the Commission is a non-reporting entity because there are no users dependent on general purpose financial reports. This financial report is therefore a special purpose financial report that has been prepared in order to satisfy the financial reporting requirements of the Commission.

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the significant accounting policies disclosed below, which the Commission have determined are appropriate to meet the needs of members. Such accounting policies are consistent with the previous period unless stated otherwise.

The financial statements have been prepared on an accruals basis and are based on historical costs unless otherwise stated in the notes. The accounting policies that have been adopted in the preparation of the statements are as follows:

Accounting policies

a. Income tax

No provision for income tax has been raised, as the Commission is exempt from income tax under Division 50 of the *Income Tax Assessment Act 1997*.

b. Inventories

Inventories are measured at the lower of cost and current replacement value. Inventories acquired at no cost, or for nominal consideration are valued at the current replacement cost as at the date of acquisition.

c. Property, plant and equipment

Each class of property, plant and equipment is carried at cost or fair value as indicated less, where applicable, any accumulated depreciation and impairment losses.

Plant and equipment

Plant and equipment are measured on the cost basis less depreciation and impairment losses.

The carrying amount of plant and equipment is reviewed annually by the Commission to ensure it is not in excess of the recoverable amount from these assets. The recoverable amount is assessed on the basis of the expected net cash flows that will be received from the asset's employment and subsequent disposal. The expected net cash flows have been discounted to their present values in determining recoverable amounts.

Depreciation

The depreciable amount of all fixed assets is depreciated on a straight-line basis over the asset's useful life to the Commission commencing from the time the asset is held ready for use.

The depreciation rates used for each class of depreciable assets are:

reciation rate
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Furniture and fittings 10%

Machines and equipment 10–33.33%

The assets' residual values and useful lives are reviewed, and adjusted if appropriate, at each balance sheet date.

An asset's carrying amount is written down immediately to its recoverable amount if the asset's carrying amount is greater than its estimated recoverable amount.

Gains and losses on disposals are determined by comparing proceeds with the carrying amount. These gains or losses are included in the statement of comprehensive income. When revalued assets are sold, amounts included in the revaluation reserve relating to that asset are transferred to retained earnings.

d. Leases

Leases of fixed assets, where substantially all the risks and benefits incidental to the ownership of the asset, but not the legal ownership that are transferred to the Commission are classified as finance leases.

Finance leases are capitalised by recording an asset and a liability at the lower of the amounts equal to the fair value of the leased property or the present value of the minimum lease payments, including any guaranteed residual values. Lease payments are allocated between the reduction of the lease liability and the lease interest expense for the period.

Leased assets are depreciated on a straight-line basis over the shorter of their estimated useful lives or the lease term.

Lease payments for operating leases, where substantially all the risks and benefits remain with the lessor, are charged as expenses in the periods in which they are incurred.

e. Impairment of assets

At each reporting date, the Commission reviews the carrying values of its tangible and intangible assets to determine whether there is any indication that those assets have been impaired. If such an indication exists, the recoverable amount of the asset, being the higher of the asset's fair value less costs to sell and value in use, is compared to the asset's carrying value. Any excess of the asset's carrying value over its recoverable amount is expensed to the statement of comprehensive income.

Where it is not possible to estimate the recoverable amount of an individual asset, the Commission estimates the recoverable amount of the cashgenerating unit to which the asset belongs.

f. Employee benefits

Provision is made for the Commission's liability for employee benefits arising from services rendered by employees to reporting date. Employee benefits expected to be settled within one year together with benefits arising from wages, salaries and annual leave which may be settled after one year, have been measured at the amounts expected to be paid when the liability is settled. Other employee benefits payable later than one year have been measured at the net present value.

Contributions are made by the Commission to an employee superannuation fund and are charged as expenses when incurred.

g. Cash and cash equivalents

Cash and cash equivalents include cash on hand, deposits held at call with banks, other short-term highly liquid investments with original maturities of three months or less, and bank overdrafts. Bank overdrafts are shown within short-term borrowings in current liabilities on the statement of financial position.

h. Revenue

Revenue from the Bishops Conference Subsidy is recognised when received.

Revenue from the sale of publications is recognised upon delivery to the customer.

Profit from the sale of assets is recognised when the ownership of the asset has passed.

Interest revenue is recognised using the effective interest rate method.

All revenue is stated net of the amount of goods and services tax (GST).

i. Economic dependency

The Commission is dependent upon the financial support of the Australian Catholic Bishops Conference for the majority of its revenue used to operate the business. At the date of this report the Commission has no reason to believe the Australian Catholic Bishops Conference will not continue to support the Commission.

j. Goods and services tax (GST)

Revenues, expenses and assets are recognised net of the amount of GST, except where the amount of GST incurred is not recoverable from the Australian Taxation Office. In these circumstances the GST is recognised as part of the cost of acquisition of the asset or as part of an item of the expense. Receivables and payables in the statement of financial position are shown inclusive of GST.

Cash flows are presented in the statement of cash flows on a gross basis, except for the GST component of investing and financing activities, which are disclosed as operating cash flows.

k. Intangibles

Software is recorded at cost. Software has a finite life and is carried at cost less any accumulated amortisation and impairment losses. It has an estimated useful life of three years. It is assessed annually for impairment.

1. Trade and other payables

Trade and other payables represent the liability outstanding at the end of the reporting period for goods and services received by the company during the reporting period which remains unpaid. The balance is recognised as a current liability with the amount being normally paid within 30 days of recognition of the liability.

m. Comparative figures

Comparative figures have been adjusted to conform to changes in presentation for the current financial year where required by accounting standards or as a result of changes in accounting policy.

n. Adoption of new and revised Accounting Standards

During the current year the Commission adopted all of the new and revised Australian Accounting Standards and Interpretations applicable to its operations which became mandatory. These were changes to AASB 101: Presentation of Financial Statements which included terminology changes and the reporting of changes in comprehensive income.

o. New Accounting Standards for application in future periods

The AASB has issued new, revised and amended standards and interpretations that have mandatory application dates for future reporting periods. The Commission has decided against early adoption of these standards because the standards are not applicable to the Commission.

	2010 \$	2009 \$
Note 2: Comprehensive income		
Revenue		
 Bishops conference subsidy 	1,435,000	847,000
 Contributions to legal costs 		71,000
 Publications sales 	40	692
 Sundry income 	1,134	807
	1,436,174	919,499
Other income		
 Interest received 	40,261	27,076
Total comprehensive income	1,476,435	946,575
Note 3: Profit a. Expenses:		
Depreciation and amortisation expense	16,050	10,537
Interest expense		330
Auditor remuneration		
audit services	2,810	2,725
other services	1,750	1,700
Total auditor remuneration	4,560	4,425
Note 4: Cash and cash equivalents		
Cash at bank	980,564	743,703
Cash on hand	55	150
	980,619	743,853
Note 5: Trade and other receivables CURRENT		
Trade debtors	59,132	6,457
GST receivable	17,034	10,981
	76,166	17 ,438

	2010 \$	2009 \$
Note 6: Inventories		
CURRENT		
Inventories held for sale	244	284
Note 7: Other current assets		
Prepayments	44,243	24,403
Note 8: Property, plant and equipment		
Furniture and fittings — at cost	12,701	12,701
Less accumulated depreciation	(5,343)	(4,158)
	7,358	8,543
Machines and equipment — at cost	33,492	28,912
Less accumulated depreciation	(23,983)	(15,561)
	9,509	13,351
Leased machine and equipment — at cost	_	11,764
Less accumulated depreciation		(8,196)
		3,568
Total plant and equipment	16,867	25,462

Note 8: Property, plant and equipment (continued)

a. Movements in carrying amounts

Movement in the carrying amounts for each class of property, plant and equipment between the beginning and the end of the current financial year:

	Furniture and fittings	Machines and equipment	Leased machine and equipment	Total
	\$	\$	\$	\$
Balance at 1 January 2009	1,303	13,201	6,390	20,894
Additions	8,280	6,825	_	15,105
Disposals				
Revaluation increments/ (decrements)				
Depreciation expense	(1,040)	(6,675)	(2,822)	(10,537)
Balance at 31 December 2009	8,543	13,351	3,568	25,462
Additions		4,580		4,580
Disposals		_	(746)	(746)
Revaluation increments/ (decrements)		_	_	_
Depreciation expense	(1,185)	(8,422)	(2,822)	(12,429)
Carrying amount at 31 December 2010	7,358	9,509	_	16,867

Note 9: Intangible assets

Not	te	2010	2009
		\$	\$
Computer software — at cost		54,101	18,101
Less accumulated amortisation		(3,621)	
Net carrying value		50,480	18,101

	Note	2010 \$	2009 \$
Note 10: Trade and other payables			
CURRENT			
Accrued expenses		20,375	4,969
Trade creditors		56,307	40,618
PAYG payable		11,426	13,104
Superannuation payable		_	1,800
Employee benefits		13,173	9,861
	_	101,281	70,352
Note II: Borrowings			
CURRENT			
Bank overdraft			994
Lease liability	16		2,595
	_	_	3,589
NON-CURRENT			
Lease liability	16		1,119
Note 12: Cash flow information			
a. Reconciliation of cash			
Cash and cash equivalents		980,619	743,853
b. Reconciliation of cash flows from			
operations with profit (Loss)/Profit		312,857	(59,259)
Non-cash flows:		312,037	(37,237)
		16,050	10 527
Depreciation		746	10,537
Loss on disposal of asset		/10	
Changes in assets and liabilities:		(E0 002)	(2.105)
(Increase) in receivables		(58,882)	(2,195)
Decrease in inventories		40	3,807
(Increase) in prepayments		(19,840)	(14,089)
Increase in creditors	-	31,083	21,943
		282,054	(39,256)

Note 13: Contingent assets

Estimated of the potential financial affect of contingent assets that may be received:

	2010 \$	2009 \$
Fraudulent transactions were credited to the CEO's		
credit card by an unknown source. The amount was		
successfully recovered from the Commonwealth Bank.		7,000

There are no contingent assets at 31 December 2010. The contingent asset of 2009 was received in the 2010 year.

Note 14: Events after balance sheet date

There have been no events subsequent to reporting date, which require disclosure in the financial statements.

Note 15: Capital management

The Commission controls the capital of the NCEC to ensure that adequate cash flows are generated to fund operations. The Commission is responsible to form the overall risk management strategy. Due to the low risk associated with the Commission no formal polices for risk management are in place.

The Commission's capital consists of financial liabilities, supported by financial assets

The Commission effectively manage the Commission's capital by assessing the Commission's financial risks and responding to changes in these risks and in the market. These responses may include the consideration of debt levels.

The Commission does not have a formal policy on capital management and gearing ratios.

Note 16: Capital and leasing commitments

a. Finance lease commitments

	2010 \$	2009 \$
Payable — minimum lease payments		
 not later than I year 	_	2,772
 later than 1 year but not later than 5 years 		1,309
Minimum lease payments	_	4,081
Less future finance charges		(367)
Present value of minimum lease payments		3,714

The finance lease concluded during 2010. It has been replaced with an operating lease.

b. Operating lease commitments

Non cancellable operating leases contracted for but not capitalised in the financial statements.

	2010 \$	2009 \$
Payable — minimum lease payments		
 not later than I year 	4,432	_
 later than 1 year but not later than 5 years 	13,666	_
	18,098	

The operating lease is for a photocopier. It is a 5 year lease.

Note 17: Reserves

a. Capital Replacement and LSL Reserve

These funds are to be used in funding the costs of an additional contract staff member and associated infrastructure costs and the introduction of an Electronic Record Management System (a new archiving system).

b. Policy Planning Reserve

This reserve holds funds to cover the wages and travel of a new staff member (on contract) who will be working on education policy and planning.

c. National Convention Reserve

Funds in this reserve will be used to cover the costs associated with the 2011 NCEC conference in Adelaide.

Note 18: Commission details

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notes to the financial statements for the year ended 31 december 2010

STATEMENT BY THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER OF THE COMMISSION

The Commission has determined that the NCEC is not a reporting entity and that this special purpose financial report should be prepared in accordance with the accounting policies outlined in Note 1 to the financial statements.

The Commission declares that:

- 1. The financial statements and notes, as set out on pages 39 to 54, present fairly the Commission's financial position as at 31 December 2010 and its performance for the year ended on that date in accordance with the accounting policies described in Note 1 to the financial statements; and
- 2. At the date of this statement, there are reasonable grounds to believe that National Catholic Education Commission will be able to pay its debts as and when they fall due.

Chief Executive Officer

Dr William Griffiths

Dated this

day of FEBRUARY 2011

COMPILATION REPORT TO NATIONAL CATHOLIC EDUCATION COMMISSION

We have compiled the accompanying special purpose detailed income and expenditure statement of National Catholic Education Commission for the period ended 31 December 2010. The specific purpose for which the special purpose financial statement has been prepared is to provide information relating to the performance of the entity that satisfies the information needs of the directors.

The responsibility of the Commission

The Commission are solely responsible for the information contained in the special purpose financial statement and have determined that the basis of accounting used is appropriate to meet their needs and for the purpose that the financial statement was prepared.

Our responsibility

On the basis of information provided by the Commission we have compiled the accompanying special purpose financial statement in accordance with the basis of accounting adopted and APES 315: Compilation of Financial Information.

Our procedures use accounting expertise to collect, classify and summarise the financial information, which the directors provided, in compiling the financial statement. Our procedures do not include verification or validation procedures. No audit or review has been performed and accordingly no assurance is expressed.

The special purpose financial statement was compiled exclusively for the benefit of the Commission. We do not accept responsibility to any other person for the contents of the special purpose financial statement.

Shane Bellchambers, CA

Partner

Registered Company Auditor

PricewaterhouseCoopers

Canberra, ACT **28** February 2011

DETAILED INCOME AND **EXPENDITURE STATEMENT**

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2010

	2010 \$	2009 \$
Income		
Bishops conference subsidy	1,435,000	847,000
Contribution to legal expenses		71,000
Interest	40,261	27,076
Publications sales	40	692
Sundry income	1,134	807
Total income	1,476,435	946,575
Expenditure		
Annual leave	3,312	986
Audit and accounting fees	2,727	4,550
Loss on sale of assets	746	_
Books, periodicals and subscriptions	3,884	4,982
Copying and printing	16,690	13,187
Depreciation	16,050	10,537
Document management	2,302	3,566
Electricity	1,630	2,305
Equipment	222	481
Insurance	1,272	3,722
Interest		330
Meetings	345,407	362,690
Loss due to fraud		7,000
Obsolete stock		2,987
Outsourced contracts	12,277	91,087
Postage and freight	4,953	3,711
Projects	263,291	22,142
Publications	40	820
Rent	34,756	32,988
Repairs and maintenance	32	363
Shared services	21,055	16,276
Stationery and requisites	3,080	2,264
Sundry payments	17,032	21,126
Superannuation	20,227	25,576
Telecommunications	10,222	9,057
Wages	382,371	363,101
Total expenditure	1,163,578	1,005,834
(Loss)/Profit for the period	312,857	(59,259)



Appendices

A. NCEC terms of reference

- 1. The National Catholic Education Commission (NCEC) is commissioned by and responsible to the Australian Catholic Bishops Conference (ACBC) through the Bishops Commission for Catholic Education for developing, enunciating and acting upon policy at the national level for the Church's work in education.
- 2. The NCEC shall accept as a premise that the Church has and must be seen to have a deep and systematic concern for the quality of education available to all Australians. It shall maintain the Church's traditional special regard for the spiritually, culturally, physically, and financially disadvantaged or deprived.
- 3. Education in Catholic schools shall be one major focus of the NCEC's thought and work. Other focuses shall include the religious education of Catholic students not in Catholic schools, and tertiary and post-secondary education. These concerns may be exercised by the NCEC through appropriate committees and sub-committees.
- 4. In fulfilment of its commission from ACBC, the NCEC shall:
 - 4.1 give systematic witness to its commitment to Christ and the truths and values of His Gospel and His Church within its ecclesiastical, educational, social and political milieux;
 - 4.2 complement and support State/Territory Catholic Education Commissions, Diocesan and Order structures and services in education, recognising at all times their proper authority in accordance with the principle of subsidiarity;
 - 4.3 work towards developing such policy consensus, both short-term and long-term, as will promote the most effective application and use of resources devoted to Catholic education in Australia with regard to, for example, curriculum emphases, funding policies, employee relations:
 - 4.4 monitor trends in educational theory and practice, national and international, and ensure that a Catholic position is declared on issues which are raised or should be raised in the public forum:
 - 4.5 negotiate on behalf of BCCE with national political authorities and government instrumentalities:
 - 4.6 collaborate with other national bodies associated with education; for example, parent bodies, Independent Schools Council of Australia, research organisations;
 - 4.7 support at the national level the legitimate educational aspirations of those sections of society which are least able to argue their own cause, and pursue national policies which best serve those aspirations;
 - 4.8 act as an organ of communication at the national level on matters pertaining to Catholic education:

- 4.9 assemble, maintain and disseminate data relevant to Catholic education;
- 4.10 undertake, support or commission educational research;
- 4.11 establish liaison with international educational bodies, Catholic and other, and with experts in education and related fields of potential value to Australian Catholic education;
- 4.12 perform other tasks as requested by BCCE.

B. NCEC statutes

- 1. The National Catholic Education Commission (NCEC) is commissioned by and responsible to the Australian Catholic Bishops Conference (ACBC) through the Bishops Commission for Catholic Education (BCCE).
- 2. The NCEC shall carry out its functions within the terms of reference established or amended by ACBC, and in accordance with these statutes.
- 3. The NCEC shall report regularly to Conference. Communication between the NCEC and Conference to be through the Bishops Commission for Catholic Education.
- 4. The NCEC shall have a Chairperson appointed by Conference and a Chief Executive Officer appointed by the Bishops Commission for Catholic Education.
- 5. The Commission shall consist of up to 21 members, composed of:
 - i. Two (2) Bishops of the Bishops Committee for Education.
 - ii. A Chair appointed by the Australian Catholic Bishops Conference.
 - iii. Two (2) members drawn from and nominated by Catholic Religious Australia.
 - iv. The Chief Executive Officers of each State and Territory Commission (eight in total).
 - v. The Vice-Chancellors of the two Catholic Universities in Australia.
 - vi. Up to six (6) other persons selected by the Australian Catholic Bishops Conference. At least one (1) of these members shall be an Indigenous person drawn from nominations made by State and Territory Education Commissions and two (2) shall be parent members drawn from nominations made by State and Territory Education Commissions.
- 6. Membership of the NCEC shall ordinarily be for a period of four (4) years.
- 7. Retiring members may be re-appointed, but no member shall serve more than eight (8) consecutive years unless he/she be the Chief Executive Officer of a State or Territory Education Commission.
- 8. Substitutes for members shall not ordinarily be appointed. Notwithstanding this provision, the Chair of NCEC may accept a suitable substitute for any member unable to attend one or more meetings of the Commission. Such substitute appointee shall have full membership and voting rights for the period of substitution.



- 9. Where a member is absent from three (3) consecutive meetings of the NCEC without reasonable cause, his/her membership shall be deemed to have lapsed and another person shall be appointed.
- 10. In the event of a member of the NCEC relinquishing membership for any reason, another person shall be appointed to complete the unexpired term in accordance with point 5 above.
- 11. The NCEC shall have a Deputy Chairperson elected by and from the members of the Commission. The appointment shall be for a period of one year and may be renewed. The Deputy Chair shall preside at meetings when the Chair is absent.
- 12. In the absence of the Chair and Deputy Chair, the meeting shall elect a member to preside.
- 13. The Chair of the NCEC shall be ex officio a member of all Committees established by the Commission.
- 14. The Chair of the NCEC shall be the official spokesperson for the NCEC.
- 15. The NCEC shall have an executive consisting of the Chair, Deputy Chair, CEO, a CRA member, a bishop member and the eight State/Territory Directors.

Meetings

- 16. The NCEC shall hold at least five (5) ordinary meetings each calendar year.
- 17. Extraordinary meetings of the NCEC shall be called by the Chair, either at his/her own discretion, or on the request of at least four members. In the latter case, the meeting shall be held within one month of receipt of the request. A quorum shall consist of half the members of the NCEC plus one.
- 18. All discussions at meetings of the NCEC shall be governed by the usual rules of debate. All members, including the Presiding Chairperson, have a deliberative vote, and the Chair shall also have a casting vote. Proxy votes shall not be permitted.
- 19. The Chair may on behalf of the NCEC invite any person, group or organisation to attend a meeting.

Committees

- 20. The NCEC shall appoint committees, either standing or ad hoc, to assist it in its activities, or to carry out specific functions. Such committees shall be required to report their operations regularly to meetings of the NCEC. The terms of reference of any standing committee shall include the period of membership.
- 21. In addition to the committee processes indicated above, it is within the competence of the NCEC to seek the short-term appointment or secondment of an appropriate person for a specific purpose.

Finance

- 22. Costs of travel, accommodation and other approved expenses incurred in the work of the NCEC or its committees will be met from funds approved by Conference.
- 23. Sitting fees are paid, at a level determined by the NCEC from time to time, to members who forego salary, or incur similar financial disadvantage, in attending meetings.
- 24. The NCEC shall submit an annual budget for approval by Conference. It shall also annually submit to Conference an audited financial statement. Financial statements shall be presented regularly to the NCEC.

Support services

25. Secretarial and other support services shall be provided to the NCEC by its Secretariat.

Amendments

26. Amendments to the above statutes may be recommended to Conference provided they have the support of two-thirds of the members of the NCEC.

Dissolution

- 27. The NCEC may be dissolved by a resolution of Conference.
- 28. Should the NCEC be dissolved its records, minutes, books of account, etc., together with the residue of its funds shall be transmitted to the Chairman of the Bishops Commission for Catholic Education within two (2) months of the date of dissolution.

List of abbreviations

ACARA Australian Curriculum Assessment and Reporting Authority

ACBC Australian Catholic Bishops Conference

ACCER Australian Catholic Commission for Employment Relations

ACU Australian Catholic University
ATO Australian Taxation Office

ATSI Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander

BCCE Bishops Commission for Catholic Education

BER Building the Education Revolution

Br Brother

CCER Catholic Commission for Employment Relations

CEO Catholic Education Office
CEO Chief Executive Officer
CRA Catholic Religious Australia

DEEWR Department of Education, Employment and Workplace Relations

GST goods and services tax

ICT information and communication technology

LSL long service leave

NAPLAN National Assessment Program Literacy and Numeracy

NCEC National Catholic Education Commission

NEALS National Education Access Licence for Schools

PAYG pay as you go

RE religious education

Sr Sister

SWD students with a disability





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