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# Schools for All Program Fortnightly Update 4 – 5 April 2016

## Schools for All Program Governance Update

The Schools for All **Program Board** will meet this week, Thursday 7 April 2016. The Board is chaired by the Director-General Education Directorate. Members of the Board also include the Director-General Community Services Directorate, Director Catholic Education, Executive Director Association of Independent Schools ACT and Deputy Director-General Education Strategy, Education Directorate. This cross sector governance board oversees the progress of the implementation of the fifty recommendations and provides direction and feedback to the Implementation Team.

The **Program Working Group** is made up of the project integration managers, Schools for All program managers, and managers from corporate areas within the Directorate. The Group met last week and managers provided updates on their projects and discussed project reporting. Catholic Education and Association of Independent Schools ACT also joined this meeting. This forum is enabling cross sector collaboration on project implementation; identifying commonalities across systems; and providing opportunities to collaborate on specific activities related to the Schools for All Program.

## Consultation with School Communities

### Parent/Carer Forums

The next Parent/Carer forum will be held:

**Forum 2 Wednesday 15 June 2016 *(Term 2, Week 8)***

**9:30-10:30 Hedley Beare Centre for Teaching and Learning, Fremantle Drive, Stirling**

**5:30pm- 6:30pm UC High School Kaleen, Baldwin Drive, Kaleen (Library)**

## Projects on a Page

The 50 recommendations of the Expert Panel have been grouped under ten projects across the Directorate.

This aligns naturally with where the work sits and will enable a cohesive and streamlined approach to delivery.

1. Appropriate use of Restricted Practices and Withdrawal Spaces Project
2. Suspensions and Alternative School Settings Project
3. Allied Health and Specialist Supports Project
4. Policies, Procedures and Data Project
5. Professional Learning and Support for Staff Project
6. Student Centred Appraisal of Need Project
7. Universal School Based Interventions Project
8. Student Voice Project
9. Children, Young People and Families Project
10. Learning and Teaching Project

The *Projects on a Page* A3 document is at **Attachment A**.

## Key Progress to Date

The **first quarter Executive Summary and Quarterly Reports** will be provided to the Minister for Education, Shane Rattenbury MLA by 29 April 2016.

**Student Pathway mapping for students with complex needs and challenging behaviours** has commenced. This work is aimed at identifying the current services that are accessed by schools to support children with complex needs and challenging behaviours. The purpose of this mapping exercise is to improve the systems and processes in the Directorate for schools to access support.

A functional design brief has been drafted as part of the **Sustainable Design of Public School Facilities**. This design brief requires new schools and their surrounds to include an appropriate range of learning areas for students with complex needs and challenging behaviours and relates to Recommendation 8.2 of the Expert Panel Report.

## Quick links

Schools for All Programinformation can be found at[*http://www.det.act.gov.au/school\_education/schools-for-all*](http://www.det.act.gov.au/school_education/schools-for-all)

## Keep in touch

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