

To the Hon. Jason Clare MP,

I am writing to you today as a concerned Catholic mother of three children currently being schooled at two Catholic schools in the Parramatta diocese.

I am asking you to strongly reconsider supporting the reforms that will change how religious schools will be able to operate in the future.

I ask you to strongly consider the effect these reforms will have on preserving an authentic religious education in this country.

Australia is a country that has been built on multiculturalism and diversity. Just like other minorities, Catholics, Muslims, Jews and other religious groups should be able to receive an education that is not limited in allowing them to express their basic human right of religious freedom.

Religious schools have been successfully operating for many years practicing and promoting inclusivity. I don't seem to understand how proposed reforms will make any difference other than limiting their right to practice and embrace their religion freely.

Kind Regards
Elaine Rahme