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**To the Principal**  
**All Western Australian Primary Schools**

Dear Principal

As we begin Term 4, I write to update you on the work undertaken by the School Curriculum and Standards Authority (the Authority) in relation to the *Western Australian Curriculum and Assessment Outline* and preparation for NAPLAN in 2023.

**Consultation – proposed changes to the Pre-primary to Year 10 Western Australian Health and Physical Education curriculum and Pre-primary to Year 6 English curriculum**

After reviewing the Australian Curriculum version 9 (endorsed by Education Ministers on 1 April 2022) the Authority is prioritising changes to the Western Australian Pre-primary to Year 10 Health and Physical Education curriculum content related to consent and examples of first aid, and to the Pre-primary to Year 6 English curriculum content related to phonics and word knowledge.

I encourage you and your staff to provide feedback on the proposed changes to the curriculum, via the links below. The consultation period is open until 4 November 2022:

Health and Physical Education Scope and sequence:

<https://k10outline.scsa.wa.edu.au/home/teaching/p10-consultation-drafts/hpe-p10-consultation-draft>

English Scope and sequence:

<https://k10outline.scsa.wa.edu.au/home/teaching/p10-consultation-drafts/english-p6-consultation-draft>.

Online consultation briefings regarding the proposed changes to the Western Australian curriculum for Health and Physical Education and English, will be conducted from 17–20 October 2022. Registration for these briefings is now open via the event pages: <https://www.scsa.wa.edu.au/events/consultation-proposed-changes-to-the-scope-and-sequence-for-p6-english-for-phonics-and-word-knowledge,-and-p10-health-and-physical-education-for-consent,-and-examples-of-first-aid>.

Other aspects of the Western Australian curriculum for Health and Physical Education and English will be considered during a later phase of the process for adapting and/or adopting the Australian Curriculum version 9.

The Authority will consider the feedback it receives from the consultation period, and then finalise the curriculum. The revised Western Australian curriculum for Health and Physical Education and English will be published on the Authority's website and will be available to schools from 2023. This will enable teachers to become familiar with the curriculum before formal implementation in 2024.

Teachers must continue to implement the current mandated Western Australian curriculum until advised otherwise.

**NAPLAN 2023**

Last term, your schools would have received a package of information in preparation for NAPLAN being conducted in Term 1, 2023. I trust that this information has been helpful for your school planning and for providing advice for parents. During Term 4, 2022, the Authority will communicate with nominated officers who have NAPLAN responsibilities in schools regarding the administrative requirements for the early timelines in 2023. Further information will be provided through the Authority's NAPLAN Update in early November.

Please do not hesitate to contact the Authority via [info@scsa.wa.edu.au](mailto:info@scsa.wa.edu.au) should you have any questions regarding the matters in this correspondence.

In closing, on behalf of the Board, may I thank you and your staff for your ongoing collaboration with the Authority, to ensure improved learning outcomes for students. Best wishes to you and your staff for Term 4.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'P White', written in a cursive style.

**PAULINE WHITE  
CHAIR  
SCHOOL CURRICULUM AND STANDARDS AUTHORITY**

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