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## Ask Your Child’s Tutors/Coaches for their ‘Working with Children Check’ Number

All privately engaged tutors and coaches need a WWCC; it’s the law!

Parents and Carers should:

1. ask the tutor/coach to provide their WWCC clearance number
2. verify that number online.

<http://www.kidsguardian.nsw.gov.au/news-training-and-events/parents-check-the-check>



You can [report your concern](#).

#parentscheckthecheck

## P&C Federation 2016 State-wide Forums

Building Capacity in Our P&Cs - Express | Engage | Enlighten

Electorate:

<b>West Sydney</b>	Thur 2 June, 10am-2pm, St Marys Public School, St Marys
<b>North West Sydney</b>	Thur 2 June, 7pm-10pm, Kellyville Public School, Kellyville
<b>Sydney</b>	Wed 8 June, 6pm-9pm, Enfield Public School, Enfield (time amended)
<b>South West Sydney</b>	Thur 16 June, 10am-2pm, Dalmeny Public School, Prestons
<b>North Sydney</b>	Thur 16 June, 7pm-9.30pm, The Forest High School, Frenchs Forest
<b>Southern Sydney</b>	Thur 23 June, 10am-2pm, Caringbah North Public School, Caringbah

More info Debbie: 1300 885 982 or [projects@pandc.org.au](mailto:projects@pandc.org.au)

Register [www.pandc.org.au/index.php/forumrego](http://www.pandc.org.au/index.php/forumrego)



## Getting Results – Gonski Changing Students’ Lives for the Better

The first national snapshot of how schools are using Gonski funding

Read the individual stories behind the Gonski funding.

It is evident, in this report, that Gonski is having a powerful impact on building the skills and expertise of the teaching profession, which will pay dividends for decades to come.

[Getting Results - Gonski](#) (PDF)

#gonski

“I cannot easily forget the differences I saw in the schools I visited” David Gonski



How do you put a dollar value on a child finally reading a book for the first time? Or a student being the first in their family to study at university? Give a Gonski!

## Handwriting or Keyboard – Which do you Prefer?

This may influence future practice in your child’s school!

How important are handwriting skills versus computer keyboarding skills in 2016?

Noella Mackenzie wants your opinion. Complete her survey [https://www.research.net/r/Handwriting\\_CSU](https://www.research.net/r/Handwriting_CSU)

She needs help from parents of school-aged children and primary school teachers (current and retired).

Survey closes 30 June 2016.



# Have you applied for a NSW Environmental Trust Eco Schools Grant?



As Term 2 gets truly underway, don't forget about the NSW Environmental Trust's Eco Schools grants program; applications now open. Eco Schools grants provide environmental learning opportunities for students, teachers and the school community through curriculum-based projects focused on student participation. Funding is available for an exciting variety of environmental projects, such as the Pennant Hills Public School Small Bird Haven (see article). [Pennant Hills Public School Small Bird Haven](#). Eighty grants of \$3,500 each will be offered in 2016. Up to 25 of these will be offered for projects catering for students with special needs. Application materials are available on the NSW Environmental Trust's Eco Schools web page.

Applications close 17 June 2016. For further information, phone 8837 6093, or email [info@environmentaltrust.nsw.gov.au](mailto:info@environmentaltrust.nsw.gov.au)

## Child Safe Training Sessions



The Office of the Children's Guardian offers free Child Safe training sessions. For people working or volunteering in child-related organisations in NSW.

[Seminars and workshops](#) are **FREE**

Creating a child safe culture | Codes of conduct | Prevention | Risk management | Recruitment and selection tips | Working With Children Check Obligations | Complaints management techniques.

## Teaching Children about Money

**Only 25% of parents talk to their children about money regularly**

Do you know how to talk to your children about money?

This [infographic](#) shows you how to teach children about money.

Lessons for ages 3-10 years, 11-16 years, 17-21 years.

<http://elearninginfographics.com/teaching-children-money-management-infographic/>

“Helping children to understand money helps them manage it better in adulthood.”



## Ability Links

Ability Links supports people with disability, families and carers to access mainstream supports, to build on their strengths and skills and to be active participants within their community. 'Linkers' work with people with disability, their families and carers to help them to plan for their future and develop networks in community to reach goals and lead a self-fulfilled good life.

We can learn so much by being open and accepting of everyone and by having people that live with a disability truly included. It is not just the person that lives with a disability that has their lives enriched through inclusion, but the community as a whole.

Linkers work with individuals aged 0-64 years old, and also works with organisations and groups to help them become more welcoming and inclusive of people with disability. There is no assessment criteria, and Ability Links is a free service.

Ability Links welcomes enquiries from parents, teachers and P&Cs for assistance with individuals or to discuss inclusion within schools. For enquiries in the Maitland area please phone Kirsty-Lee on 0428 763 838 or Lisa on 0429 120 926, alternatively the office 4905 0747 with any queries or to book an appointment.

This is a statewide service. For further information about the NSW service and 'Linkers' go to:

<http://www.abilitylinksnsw.org.au/index.html>



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