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STRONGER HSC STANDARDS

MINIMUM LITERACY AND NUMERACY STANDARD

Set for success in day-to-day life, the minimum standard is set at a level of literacy and numeracy needed to do things like: follow simple written workplace procedures, interpret routine tables, graphs and charts, write a job description.

ONLINE LITERACY AND NUMERACY TESTS

Students will need to pass online reading, writing and numeracy tests to demonstrate achievement of the minimum standard. From 2018, these tests will be available for students to sit at least twice a year in: Year 10, Year 11, Year 12 and for up to 5 years after starting the HSC. A demonstration test is available: hsliteracynumeracy.bostes.nsw.edu.au/

TIMELINE

2017

- Courses and support material to improve pathways for Year 9 and 10 students wishing to study maths in Year 11 and 12 published,
- Consultation on exemption policy
- Minimum standard rules and guidelines published
- Online reading, writing and numeracy tests piloted
- Schools Online and Students Online websites updated

2018

- First Year 10 students sit online reading, writing and numeracy tests

2020

- First HSC students required to meet minimum standard

To keep updated or for more information and what you need to know go to BOSTES: bostes.nsw.edu.au/strongerHSC

Play.Sport.Australia

In the lead-up to the school holidays, the Australian Sports Commission (ASC) has launched a new video which takes a look at one of the biggest influencers behind children's engagement in sport—parents.

Released as part of *Play.Sport.Australia*. — the ASC's game plan to get more Australians playing sport, more often – *Heroes* focuses on the importance of parents playing sport, both for their own health and for the positive influence it has on their children.

The [video features a cast of everyday parents](#) - each from a different sporting background - who were chosen to feature as a result of their involvement with organised sport and the impact it's had on their kids and their local community.

Research shows parental behaviour and attitudes towards organised sport plays a significant role in making their child's sporting experience a positive one. In addition, participation in sport helps children build a lifelong connection with physical activity and the associated benefits.

To celebrate the launch of *Heroes* and help Australians of all ages play sport, the ASC is running a nationwide competition, giving 10 families the chance to win sports club memberships for their families up to the value of \$500 each. To enter, simply visit the [Play Sport Australia Facebook page](#) and share your family's greatest sporting moment.



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SAFE books and workshops

The NSW Office of the Children's Guardian is proud to introduce Sam, Andy, Fiona and Eve. They are the stars of the SAFE book series, a set of four books containing protective behaviour messages for children 2-6 years old.



The books are designed for services providing early childhood education to children aged 2-6. NSW Office of the Children's Guardian provide access to the program through SAFE series training. Attend one of their workshops to learn how to implement the protective behaviours program effectively. If you are interested in a workshop in your area in 2017 click on the link.

[Camden - SAFE series workshop 15 February 2017](#)

[Peak Hill - SAFE series workshop, 20 February 2017](#)

[Tamworth - SAFE series workshop, 8 March 2017](#)

[Corrimal - SAFE series workshop, 29 March 2017](#)

[Nowra - SAFE series morning workshop, 4 April 2017](#)

[Nowra - SAFE series evening workshop, 4 April 2017](#)

[Goonellabah - SAFE series workshop, 18 April 2017](#)

[Tweed Heads - SAFE series workshop, 18 April 2017](#)

[Raymond Terrace - SAFE series workshop, 4 May 2017](#)

[Moree - SAFE series workshop, 5 May 2017](#)

[Holbrook - SAFE series workshop, 7 June 2017](#)

[Speers Point- SAFE series workshop, 13 June 2017](#)

It is essential to register as soon as possible as places are limited.

Life Education - All Systems Go Educational App

Suitable for primary school students, All Systems Go explores and educates children about the five main body systems and their role in keeping your body healthy. Through a series of games and interactive activities starring the iconic Healthy Harold, children will expand on their learning from the Life Education program of the same name, discovering the benefits of nutrition and exercise on the Nervous, Circulatory, Respiratory, Excretory, and Digestive systems.



<http://www.lifeeducation.org.au/asnapp>

Life Education - bCyberwise Monster Family Educational App

This is a valuable resource for children to cement their understanding of safe online practices. Throughout a series of challenges, primary school-aged children will learn about protecting personal information, safe online behaviour, being respectful, cyber bullying and seeking help. bCyberwise aligns with Australian Curriculum Health and PE, English and ICT capability, and expands of program covered in the module of the same name delivered by preventative education provider, Life Education NSW.



<http://www.lifeeducation.org.au/bcyberwise-monster-family>

Affiliate Email Account

Is your P&C Association a member of P&C Federation? If you said yes, does your P&C Association have an affiliate email account? This is a free account available to P&C Federation members, it enables a consistent email account so you won't miss information sent to your P&C Association, you can save files and important documents and when office bearers change that information isn't lost. The new office bearers simply change the password or if they don't know the password just contact P&C Federation for it to be reset. To ask further questions, reset your password or request an affiliate email to be setup, email Debbie at mail@pandc.org.au

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