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Parents

ABORIGINAL AND TORRES STRAIT ISLANDER COMMITTEE COUNCIL OF CATHOLIC SCHOOL PARENTS NSW/ACT

REPRESENTING THE INTERESTS OF ABORIGINAL AND TORRES STRAIT ISLANDER CATHOLIC SCHOOL PARENTS AND CARERS

REPRESENTATION - SUPPORT - RESOURCES

The Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Parent Committee is a state level committee that meets once a term to discuss issues of importance for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander parents and carers with children in Catholic schools, and seeks to give a voice to their interests in state and national level decision-making affecting Catholic schools.

The Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Committee is part of the Council of Catholic School Parents NSW/ACT. The committee was established in December 2003 to provide meaningful Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander parent representation at a state level. This unique group aims to build home, school and community partnerships by providing valuable information, advocating for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander parents, and developing resources. Parent representatives are supported by an executive officer employed by their diocese.

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MEET OUR 2025 ABORIGINAL AND TORRES STRAIT ISLAND COMMITTEE PARENT REPRESENTATIVES!

NAME	DIOCESE
	Congregational Schools
Jason Allan (Chair)	Armidale
Kirilee Newcombe Hubber	Bathurst
	Broken Bay
Sharee Thomas	Canberra and Goulburn
Kelly Rynkowski	Lismore
James Haynes	Maitland-Newcastle
Cassandra Ebsworth	Parramatta
	Sydney
Margaret Stewart	Wagga Wagga
	Wilcannia-Forbes
Danielle Grados	Wollongong



REPRESENTATION

Membership of the committee is for a two-year term. Members come from each of the eleven Catholic dioceses (regions) across NSW/ACT and the group of Independent Catholic schools. Please contact CCSP to get in touch with your parent representative or to get involved!

SUPPORT

The Committee provides support to schools, diocesan parent associations and diocesan Catholic education offices through the provision of information, professional learning opportunities, advice and resources to build and sustain effective home, school and community partnerships. The Committee also supports the development of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander parent and carer leaders.

RESOURCES

The Committee develops resources for families and schools to support Aboriginal children including Kids + School flyers to help with student attendance, the Choosing a Catholic School for Your Child booklet, which can be used in enrolment packages, displayed in front offices and provided to school services

and other community organisations to support Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander families, and Acknowledgement of Country resources.



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