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What Happened At P&C? – November 2019

Dear parents and carers

We had two excellent evening and daytime parent meetings this month. Thanks to those parents and community members who attended. We covered a number of topics:

- **Faculty evaluation process:** We aim to evaluate 3-4 faculties each year so we can celebrate best practice and also identify areas for improvement. The process includes lesson observations, student focus groups, a parent survey and teacher interviews. The Mathematics faculty was the most recent faculty to complete the evaluation process.
- **NAPLAN results:** Our students achieved strong NAPLAN results yet again and it is pleasing to see not only strong raw results but also strong value-added results which measure the amount of growth.
- **Reading:** It is important for families to have many, many books in the family home. Book Club (<https://mybookclubs.scholastic.com.au/Parent/Login.aspx>) is a great place to purchase books. Teachers have the ability to purchase bulk packs of books quite cheaply (for example, 15 books for \$39). When the next Book Club is released we will see if parents want to purchase some of these book bundles normally only available to teachers.
- **Smiling Mind and mindfulness:** The school's welfare team will receive training from the Smiling Mind organisation in early 2020 on the use of their mindfulness and meditation app. This can be downloaded for free from your app store. The Smiling Mind website also has a wealth of resources: <https://www.smilingmind.com.au/>
- **SchoolTV.Me:** We looked at a video on this website (<https://schooltv.me/>) which discussed issues of resilience in young people, stressing the importance of teenagers having boundaries and a sense of responsibility.
- **Next meeting:** The next evening meeting will take place at 6:30pm on Monday, 2 December 2019 and our daytime meeting will take place at 9:30am on Thursday, 5 December 2019. These meetings are for us to share information with you and we benefit from these meetings just as much as you. Your presence and ideas are what we need.

Thanks to everyone who came to our meetings. I look forward to continuing to work with our parents and community members. Please let me know if you have any questions.

Kind regards

Mark Sutton
Principal



P&C MEETING

4 NOVEMBER 2019

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Faculty Evaluation Process

- **2-3 faculties are evaluated each year**
- **Term 2: CAPA**
- **Term 3: Mathematics**
- **Term 4: Science**
- **focus on discovering best practice so this can be shared**

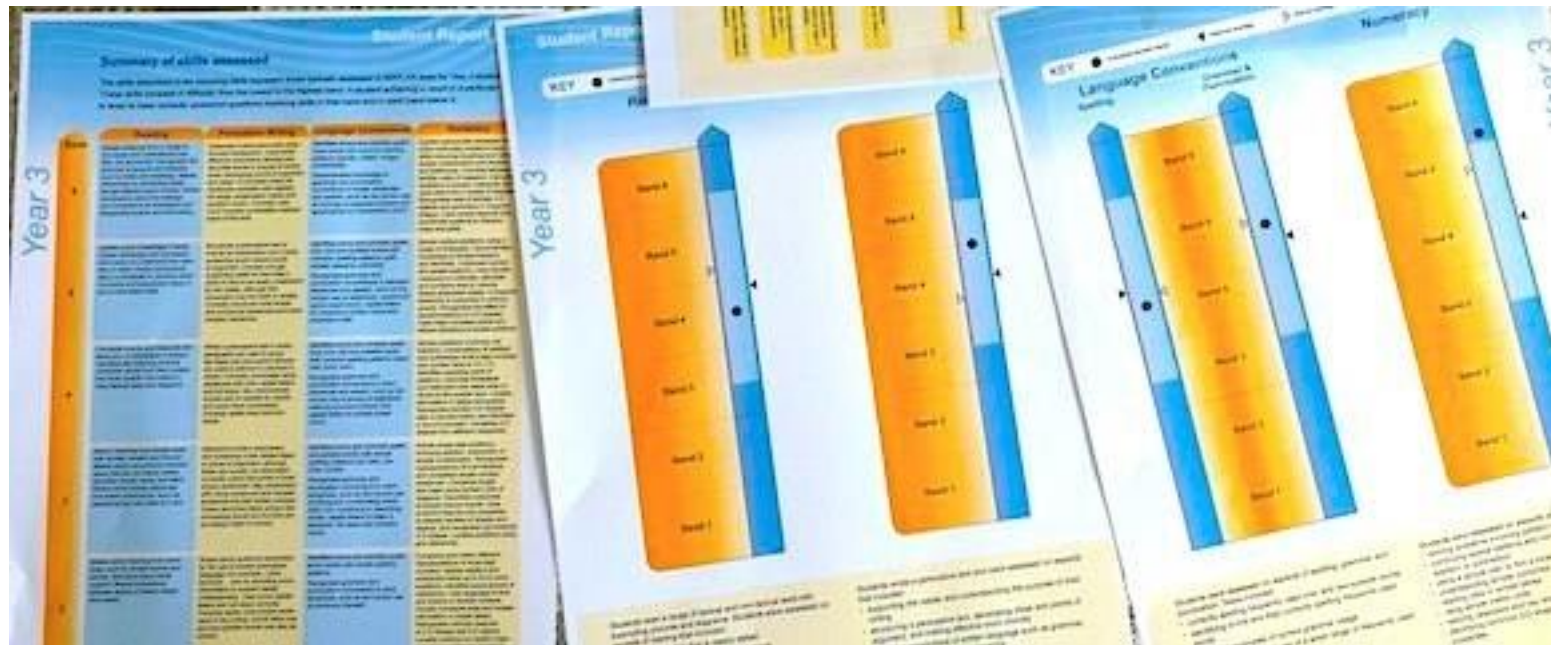


Faculty Evaluation Process

- **lesson observations**
 - **student focus groups**
 - **teacher interviews**
 - **parent survey**
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- **recommendations to the faculty and areas for celebration**



NAPLAN Results

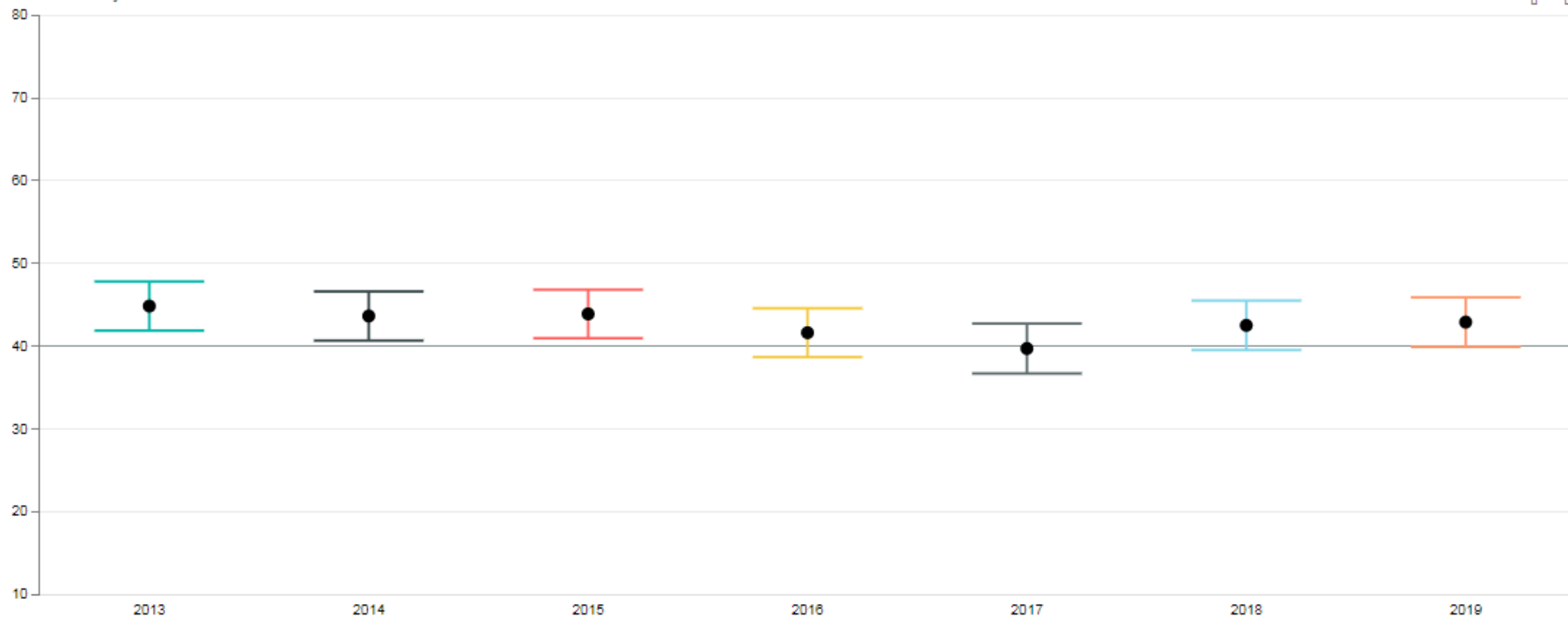


Which school were they in?

Delivering

VA results during the NAPLAN online transition period should be treated cautiously.

Value Added by Calendar Year and School



Average % NAPLAN Reading & Numeracy **Results** in Top 2 Bands

STEP 1: Select a group of students

Which school were they in?

Cecil Hills High School

Which year was it?

2019

2018

2017

2016

2015

Results in Top 2 Bands

Assessment	Domain	Count
NAPLAN 7	Reading	66
NAPLAN 7	Numeracy	93
NAPLAN 9	Reading	20
NAPLAN 9	Numeracy	44
Total		223

Count of All Results

Assessment	Domain	Count
NAPLAN 7	Reading	252
NAPLAN 7	Numeracy	249
NAPLAN 9	Reading	241
NAPLAN 9	Numeracy	235
Total		977

Average % Results in Top 2 Bands

Assessment	Domain	Average of % of Students in Top 2 Bands
NAPLAN 7	Reading	26.19%
NAPLAN 7	Numeracy	37.35%
NAPLAN 9	Reading	8.30%
NAPLAN 9	Numeracy	18.72%
Total		22.82%

STEP 2: *Optionally*, select a subset of students

An enrolment type group?

All

A specific enrolment typ...

All

EAL/D

All

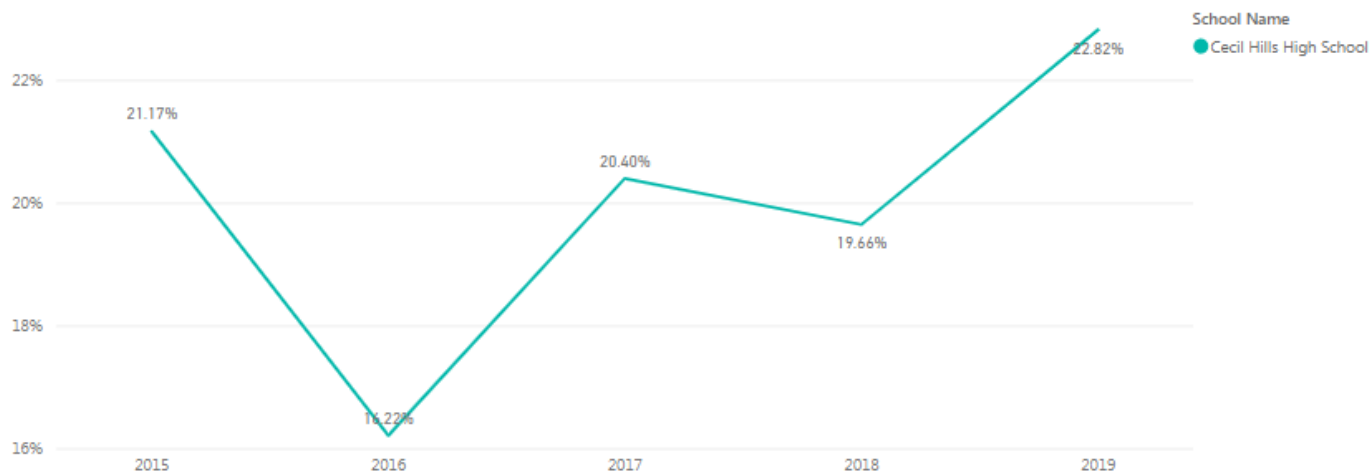
Gender

All

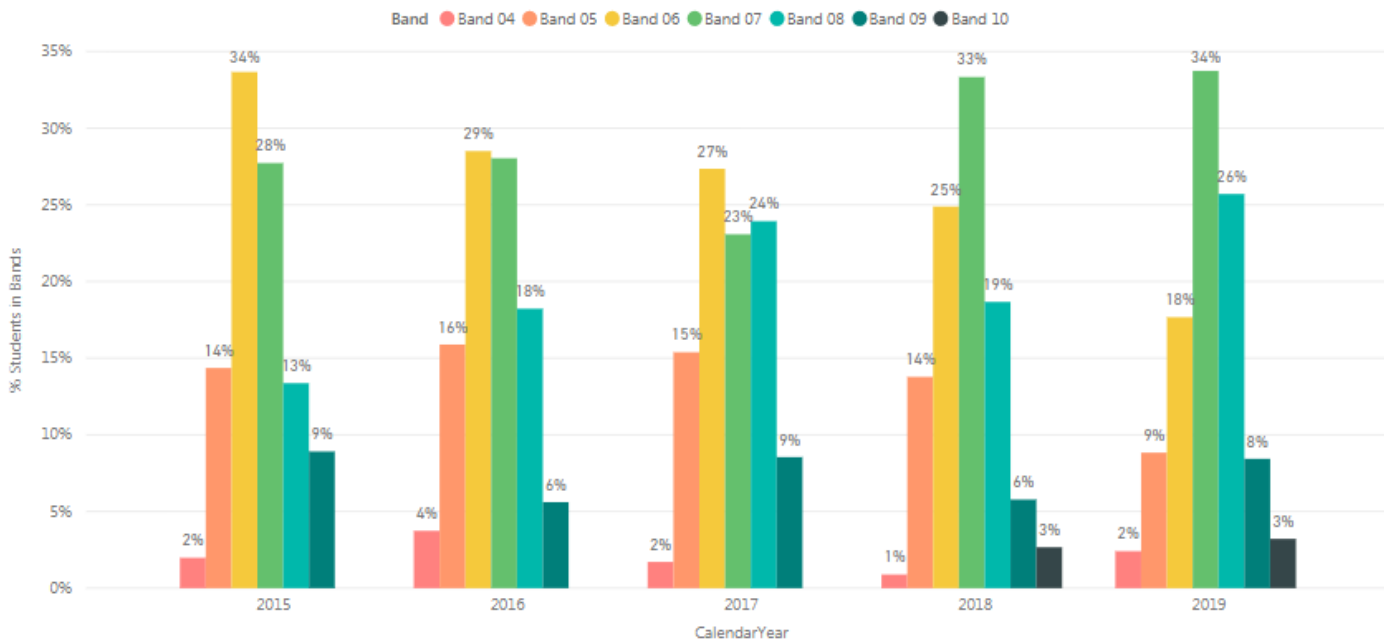
Aboriginality

All

% of Results in Top 2 Bands for Reading and Numeracy by Calendar Year



% Students in Bands by Calendar Year



STEP 1: Select a group of students

Which school were they in?
 Cecil Hills High School

Which assessment?
 NAPLAN 7

Which domain?
 Reading
 Writing
 Spelling
 Grammar & Punctuation
 Numeracy

STEP 2: *Optionally, select a group of students*

An enrolment type group?
 All

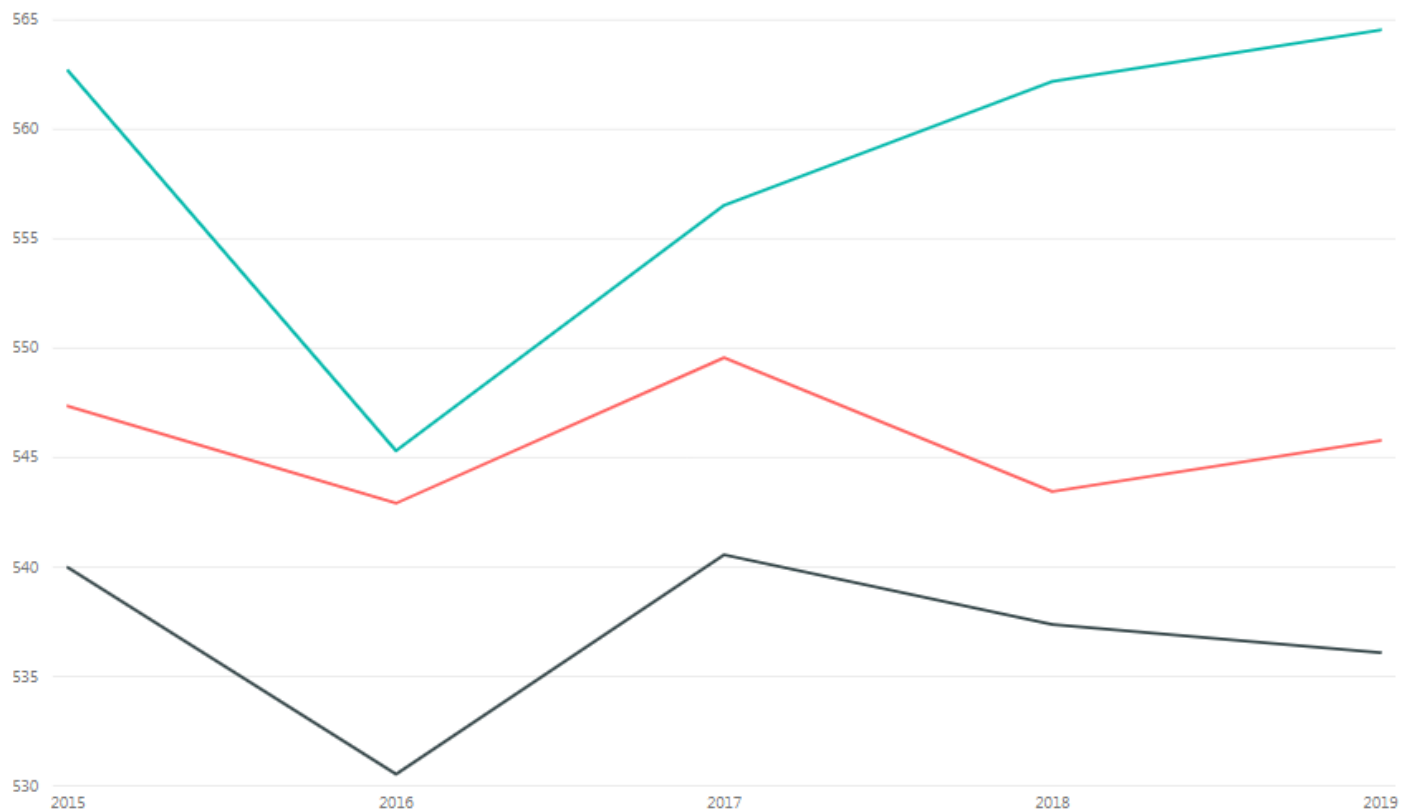
EAL/D
 All

Gender
 All

Aboriginality
 All

Average NAPLAN Score - School, SSSG and State

● Average NAPLAN Score School ● Average NAPLAN Score SSSG ● Average NAPLAN Score State



STEP 1: Select a group of students

Which school were they in?

Cecill Hills High School

Which assessment?

NAPLAN 7

Which domain?

Spelling

- Reading
- Writing
- Spelling
- Grammar & Punctuation
- Numeracy

STEP 2: Optionally, select a sub-group

An enrolment type group?

All

EAL/D

All

Gender

All

Aboriginality

All

STEP 1: Select a group of students

Which school were they in?

Cecil Hills High School

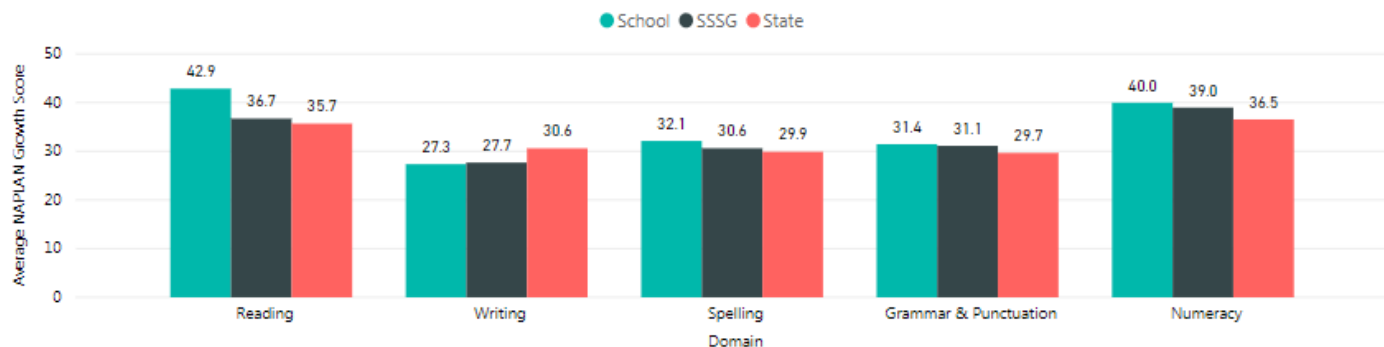
Which year was it?

2019
 2018
 2017
 2016
 2015

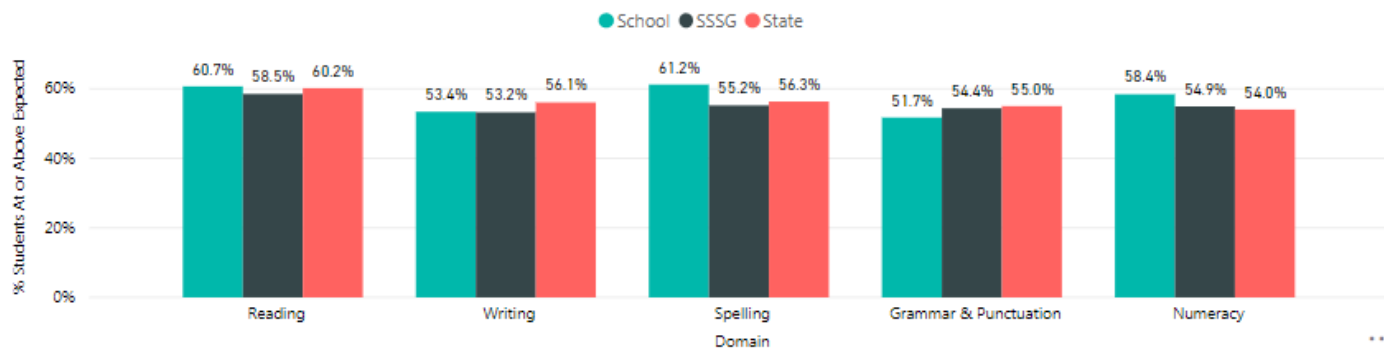
Which assessment?

NAPLAN 9

Average Scaled Growth - School Compared to SSSG and State



At or Above Expected Growth - School Compared to SSSG and State



STEP 2: *Optionally*, select a subset of students

An enrolment type group?

All

EAL/D

All

Gender

All

Aboriginality

All



Benefits of NAPLAN

- **whole school vs student specific data**
- **raw results vs value-added results**
- **state average vs SSSG**
- **link from exam questions to teaching strategies and activities**



Importance of Reading

- **Year 9 reading is a focus**
- **reading at home**
- **reading for pleasure**

Animals from the sky

Reports of all kinds of animals falling from the sky date back almost two thousand years: not only frogs, but fish and mussels, lizards and salamanders, spiders and worms—even baby alligators.

There have been all kinds of theories to explain these strange happenings. In the early 19th century, scientists thought that violent winds could lift animals, carry them aloft and then drop them in a new landscape. More recently, scientists have studied the enormous power that can be generated by weather phenomena such as waterspouts and tornadoes. They believe these vacuum cleaners of the weather world are capable of sucking up small animals, lifting them to relatively high altitudes, transporting them over large distances and then allowing the unfortunate creatures to fall to earth in a localised area.

This recent theory seems to be supported by the types of animals that are mostly found in these showers: small and light and often aquatic. It is further strengthened by the fact that a rain of animals is usually preceded by a storm.

However, this theory doesn't yet account for why a powerful storm selects animals from just one species and not an assortment of similarly sized animals from an area. And why, when tornadoes are known for destroying and scattering everything in their wake, they carefully avoid damaging surrounding plant life while plucking the unlucky creatures for their airborne adventure. Those are still mysteries!



Read *Animals from the sky* and answer questions 2 and 3.

- 2 According to the text, what do many of the animals that fall from the sky have in common?

You may choose **more than one**.

- age
- habitat
- colour
- diet
- size

- 3 According to the text, some scientists believe animals falling from the sky could be caused by natural weather events.

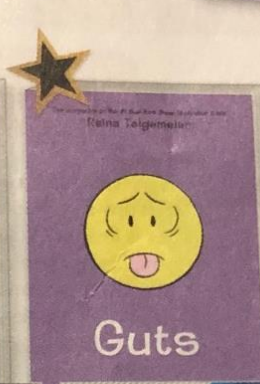
Write the numbers 1 to 4 in the boxes to show the order in which these scientists believe this could happen.

- the animals are lifted into the air
- the animals fall from the sky
- a waterspout forms near the animals
- the animals are transported for long distances

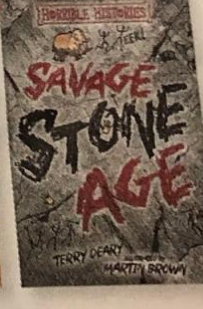
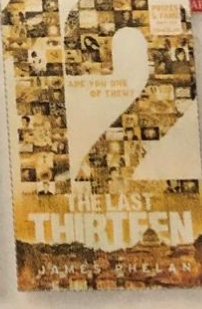
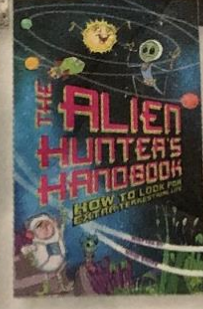
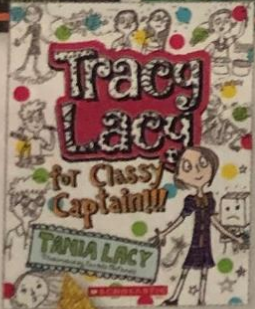
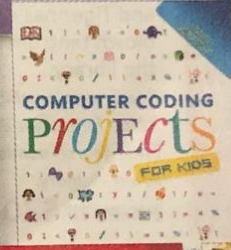
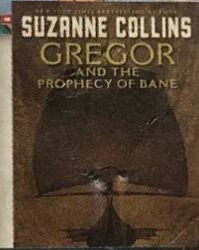
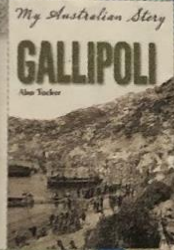
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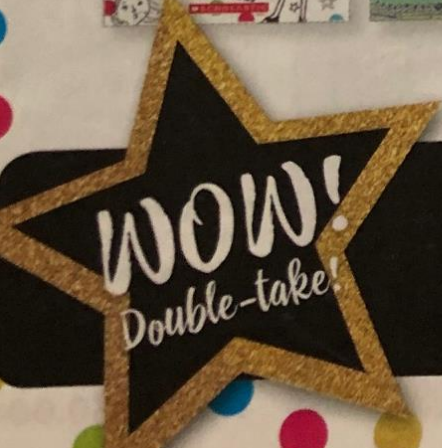
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Smiling Mind: Mindfulness App

- **mindfulness is the psychological process of purposely bringing one's attention to experiences occurring in the present moment without judgment**
- **NSW Department of Education trial in a number of schools**
- **Year Advisers and the welfare team will be trained in the use of the app in early 2020**



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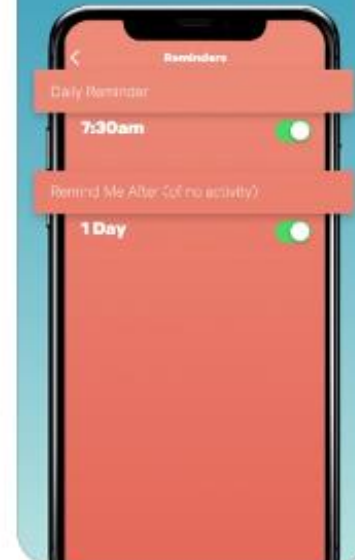
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Whilst there is a great deal of information available, this can often be confusing and overwhelming for parents looking for guidance. SchoolTV addresses this issue. It is an online resource designed to empower parents with credible, sound information with realistic and practical strategies.

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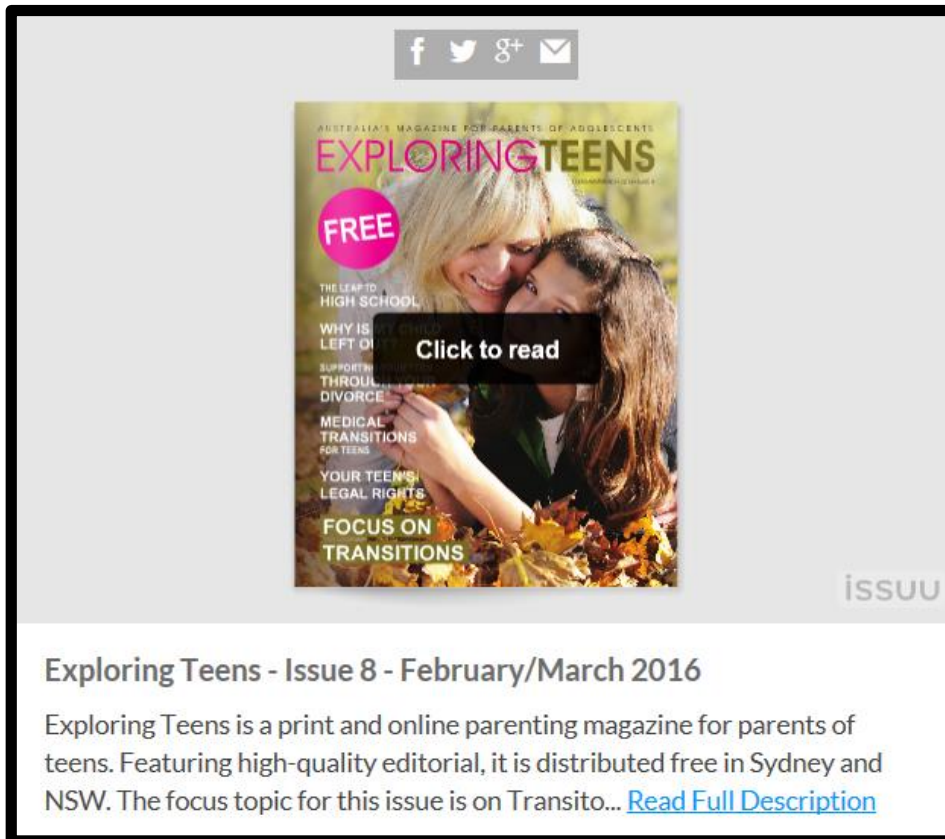


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Exploring Teens (Online Magazine)



The screenshot shows the website for Exploring Teens. At the top, there are social media icons for Facebook, Twitter, Google+, and Email. Below these is the magazine cover for Issue 8, February/March 2016. The cover features a woman and a young girl, with the text 'AUSTRALIA'S MAGAZINE FOR PARENTS OF ADOLESCENTS', 'EXPLORING TEENS', 'FREE', 'THE LEAP TO HIGH SCHOOL', 'WHY IS LEFT O...', 'SUPPORTING THROUGH DIVORCE', 'MEDICAL TRANSITIONS FOR TEENS', 'YOUR TEEN'S LEGAL RIGHTS', and 'FOCUS ON TRANSITIONS'. A black button with white text says 'Click to read'. The word 'ISSUE' is partially visible at the bottom right of the cover.

Exploring Teens - Issue 8 - February/March 2016

Exploring Teens is a print and online parenting magazine for parents of teens. Featuring high-quality editorial, it is distributed free in Sydney and NSW. The focus topic for this issue is on Transito... [Read Full Description](#)

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- **magazine is produced every two months**
- **Facebook page regularly links to useful articles on teenagers and education**

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Our Next Parent Meeting

6:30pm on Monday, 2 December 2019

AND

9:30am on Thursday, 5 December 2019

Questions



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