



At Peel Language Development School we follow a philosophy of providing pastoral care for our students as part of our aim in achieving academic excellence. Working with our Student Services Team, chaplaincy is an important part of our strategy. Our School Chaplaincy Service is provided through YouthCARE.

YouthCARE chaplains provide holistic pastoral care to students, school staff and members of the community, irrespective of their faith or cultural backgrounds. The pastoral care provided has a broad scope that includes but not limited to, one on one and programmed group sessions addressing physical and mental health issues, social and values education, behaviour management, emotional support and professional referrals.

Although the school strongly supports our chaplain, we understand that you, the parent/carer, may have objections to your child/children interacting with or accessing the services of the chaplain. If you do object, please return the completed form below to the classroom teacher and we will ensure your child/children only access help through other avenues of our student services team.

YouthCARE Chaplaincy is an 'Opt-Out' programme, and thus if we do not hear from you and receive a completed Opt-Out form, the assumption is that you give permission for your child to access chaplaincy services if needed.

Sincerely,

Shelley Collins

Chaplaincy 'Opt-Out' Form

I (Name of Parent/Guardian) _____ request that the following child/children under my guardianship be excluded from: (Please tick)

- ☐ **One on One Care Sessions with the YouthCARE Chaplain**
☐ **All Programmes run by the YouthCARE Chaplain**

I understand that my child/children will be directed to other support staff and services within the student services team.

Children/s Name/s: _____

Signed: _____

Date: _____

Please return completed form to classroom teacher at your earliest convenience