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Catholic Education Welcomes Focus on Early Years

Catholic Education Western Australia (CEWA) acknowledges the announcement this week by the WA Labor Party of its State Election commitment to Early Years Care, and welcomes the conversation it will generate around this priority education area.

Early Years Education and Care has been identified as one of four key focus areas for CEWA in 2016, as provision of high quality education and care for young children is an excellent foundation for ongoing learning and development at school and home.

CEWA recognises the importance of Out of School Hours Care for working parents and caregivers, and fully supports government policy that makes quality care accessible and affordable for all families, including those who choose Catholic or private education options for their children.

CEWA Executive Director, Dr Tim McDonald, said he was pleased that WA Labor had identified Early Years Education and Care as a key issue for WA families a year ahead of the State Election.

“I hope that this announcement signals the beginning of a meaningful conversation around Early Years Education and Care including voters and both major parties,” Dr McDonald said.

“I am looking forward to CEWA contributing significantly to this discussion. Our system is already doing excellent work in Early Years, and we are well positioned to provide excellent in-care learning and development outcomes.”

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