

# **Students with Disability Assessment Service**

## Students with Disability Assessment Service Update

#### December 2023

Our office will close from midday on Friday 22nd December 2023, and reopen on January 8th 2024.

Assessments at schools over January are available where this suits the school and parents. Please contact our team outside of the closure dates if you would like further information or to request this, or if you have any other questions, by phone on (03) 9678 5100 or via email to psd-as@assessments.com.

We wish you a peaceful end to 2023 and a fantastic break; and look forward to working with you again in 2024.

#### Parent information sheets in other languages

We are pleased to announce that our parent information sheets are now available in

- Punjabi
- Karen
- Arabic
- Vietnamese.

The sheets, available here, are for schools to download as needed.

The translated sheets should replace the English information sheets at the start of our Parent Referral Form. The forms also contain the message, in the translated language, to speak to the school to organise an interpreter if they need help understanding the questions and/or filling out their responses in English.

#### **School Dashboard**

All schools have access to their own personalised dashboard, and are encouraged to use this to check on the current status and progress of referrals that have been made to the assessment service.

School users can access this information online at any time by clicking the button below.

## Log in to School Dashboard

#### Resources

Visit our <u>website</u> for more resources to support students at your school, and for families to understand a student's needs. Our information sheets include information sheets about Complex Communication Needs, being assessed, reasonable adjustments, understanding learning difficulties, and different types of cognitive assessments.

Monash University in conjunction with the Victorian Department of Education also have a great website with information about a wide range of disabilities, and evidence based strategies for schools and families. The All Play Learn website can be accessed <u>here</u>.

### **Key Dates**

20th December 2023 - Term 4 ends

22nd December 2023 - Students with Disability Assessment Service office closes 12pm

8th January 2024 - Students with Disability Assessment Service office reopens

30 January 2024 - Term 1 begins

28 March 2024 - Term 1 ends

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