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CATHOLIC EDUCATION COMMISSION OF VICTORIA LTD

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CECV welcomes funding extension for tutoring programs

The Catholic Education Commission of Victoria Ltd (CECV) has welcomed the extension of state government funding to employ tutors to support students to get back up to speed with learning, announced by Victorian Minister for Education Natalie Hutchins today.

CECV Executive Director Jim Miles said the Tutor Learning Initiative extension was anticipated to deliver around \$25 million in 2023 to eligible Catholic schools to assist identified students, primarily through small-group tutoring opportunities.

'This is a constructive and welcome move by the state government in support of Victorian children', Mr Miles said.

'We know there has been variability in how students progressed through remote learning and other disruptions to their learning in recent years, often tied to disadvantage and other challenging family circumstances.

'Our teachers continue to monitor and assess students, and this funding now allows the continuation of extra support programs for those who may have fallen behind.'

Mr Miles said the Catholic sector welcomed the ongoing collaborative, cross-sectoral approach to responding to the impact of the COVID-19 pandemic on students in Victoria's schools.

More than 20% of all Victorian students attend nearly 500 Catholic schools across the dioceses of Melbourne, Ballarat, Sale and Sandhurst.

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