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Education can provide a student with essential skills to prepare them for adulthood. Education also has the potential to maintain cultural ideologies. The national curriculum, currently being developed by the federal government will provide every primary and secondary school student in the country with a common syllabus and allow the study of subjects such

as English, mathematics, science, history, languages and the arts. The list of languages to be incorporated has yet to be decided.

By including Modern Greek on the national curriculum, the education system will provide Australian Students of Hellenic descent with an opportunity to study one of the building blocks of their culture, coupled with providing them with a second language, a skill that will always prove invaluable.



As Australians of Hellenic descent, we are passionate about our history, both abroad and domestic, and passing down our language to the next and subsequent generations is a topic to be taken seriously by all. The additional bonus is that students with no Hellenic background will be provided with an opportunity to learn one the most frequently spoken languages in the country and thus increase the diversity of Greek speakers in the wider communities.

Most importantly, we are Greek Australians-we constitute one of the biggest Greek speaking population outside of Greece and the biggest cultural group in Australia. To deny our large populous seems illogical. This fact must be adhered to so that we have the choice to study our language of origin at school.

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28 Jun	29 Jun	30 Jun	1 Jul CUGA Ski Trip	2 Jul CUGA Ski Trip	3 Jul CUGA Ski Trip	4 Jul CUGA Ski Trip
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