



TASMANIAN  
**CATHOLIC**  
education office

17 February 2012

Prof. Alan Hayes  
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Australian Institute of Family Studies  
Level 20, 485 La Trobe Street  
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Dear Professor Hayes,

**Re: *Growing Up in Australia: The Longitudinal Study of Australian Children.***

I write in response to your letter dated 3 February 2012 requesting an extension of the permission to conduct research in Tasmanian Catholic schools that was originally granted by the Tasmanian Catholic Education Office (TCEO) in 2005.

After considering the additional information provided on the *Growing Up in Australia: The Longitudinal Study of Australian Children* project, I approve the extension of the TCEO's permission to conduct research in line with the recent commitment of the Australian Government to the project. Please note, however, that it is up to the individual school to determine whether they wish to continue to participate in the study.

Please do not hesitate to contact this office if you have any further queries regarding this matter.

Yours sincerely

Dr Trish Hindmarsh  
**Director**

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