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Dear Nadia

Thank you for your notification seeking approval to approach schools for WAVE 5-8 of your research project 'Growing up in Australia: Longitudinal Study of Australian Children. I am happy for you to approach the schools in our diocese in order to conduct your research.

We always stress the following points in relation to research requests:

- It is the school principal, who gives final permission for research to be carried out in his/her school.
- Confidentiality needs to be observed in reporting and must comply with the requirements of the Commonwealth *Privacy Amendment (Private Sector) Act 2000*.
- There should be some feedback to schools and a copy of the findings of the research forwarded to this office.
- This letter of approval should accompany any approach to schools.

I look forward to the results of this study and wish you the best over the coming months. If you would like to discuss any aspect of this research in our diocese, please do not hesitate to contact me on 02 9407 7079 or john.decourcy@parra.catholic.edu.au.

Yours sincerely

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