



# English as an Additional Language (EAL) Service

## Provides EAL Support for EAL Students in Tasmanian Schools



### About Us

The EAL Service provides resources and support to schools, to help students learn English.

The EAL Service works with schools to:

- Ensure all EAL students can participate in learning
- Create successful links between home and school
- Increase skills and knowledge within the school to help support EAL students

### Questions Often Asked

#### Where can I enrol my child?

- All schools welcome all students from different cultural and religious backgrounds.
- Schools across all regions of Tasmania have EAL students enrolled. Students are welcome to enrol for **free**, in their local 'in area' school.
- All schools are co-ed, boys and girls attend on the same site. Extra support is available to help EAL students learn English in their local area school.

#### Is there an Intensive English School?

- In Tasmania, all EAL students are enrolled in mainstream local area schools.
- The EAL Service provides a resource to help students learn English in their local school.
- EAL Teachers deliver intensive English lessons in mainstream school settings.
- An online intensive English class is an extra resource for eligible new arrivals in Years 7 to 10.

## What type of support is available?

- The EAL Service provides a range of resources to support schools.
- The type of support may include:
  - EAL Teacher on the school site
  - EAL Teacher Assistant
  - EAL materials, books, games
  - EAL Teacher Librarian
  - EAL Library
  - EAL loan devices e.g. laptop, tablet
  - Interpreters
  - EAL Social Worker
  - Uniform assistance
  - Help with enrolment
  - EAL student learning plans

The Department's Student Assistance Scheme (STAS) is available for some families based on financial need.

## How long will my child receive support?

- There is no time limit on support.
- The amount of EAL support is based on a student's English level.
- Student progress is assessed during the year.
- The EAL Service provides support until the student achieves Grade Standard or an overall level of Consolidating, the highest level in the EAL/D Learning Progression.



## For more information

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