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Australian Government Productivity Commission Inquiry into Childcare and Early Childhood



Re: Reporting and making recommendations on specific items in Childcare

We would like to voice our opinion with regards to some elements in the current Childcare management. Items we feel need to be addressed:

1. Children in Childcare systems are enrolling in primary schools with little or no identification with regards to special needs. This places the burden on primary schools to start a process of identification and support which affects children's learning and confidence. Early intervention research shows that literacy and numeracy should be monitored and assessed as early as three years of age to give individuals the best opportunity of achieving educationally later in life.

www.asg.com.au/Assets/Files/EarlyLiteracyRschBackgrndRev0301.pdf

Handbook of early literacy research - Dickinson - Cited by 408

www.education.purdue.edu/.../research/...research/Indiana_Follow_Up_S...

2. Reporting to various Government entities should be simplified and duplication avoided.

Yours sincerely

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