

Dear parents/carers

As part of the NSW Government's commitment to supporting community languages, each eligible community languages school in NSW in 2024 will receive an additional grant of \$100 per eligible student from the NSW Government in addition to the \$200 per capita grant they have already received.

There are over 36,000 students studying 63 different languages in more than 580 eligible community languages schools across NSW. This Government initiative aims to strengthen the community languages sector and encourage stronger uptake of languages.

The additional funding will be used to help reduce the financial pressure on families allowing students to maintain important connections with their heritage language and culture. It will help community languages schools lower costs for families or offer extra activities to support children's learning and participation in language classes.

Your child's community languages school will be required to report to the NSW Department of Education how the additional \$100 per eligible student will be used to lower costs to families or to provide additional opportunities for students.

Thank you for encouraging your child's ongoing participation in community languages programs. These opportunities will enhance their language skills and strengthen their connection to their culture and heritage.

If you have any questions about this initiative, please contact your community language school. Alternatively, you can contact the Community Languages Schools Program on 02 7814 2921 or by email at commlang@det.nsw.edu.au.

Yours sincerely



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