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Dear Dr. Edwards,

RE: RESEARCH APPLICATION: "Growing Up In Australia: The Longitudinal Study of Australian Children" – Wave 5

I am pleased to advise that your application to conduct the above research is approved.

Please note that the decision to participate in this project will be at the discretion of the respective school principals and relevant individuals. I advise that you liaise with the principals to reach a mutually convenient time for conducting the research so that disruption to students' learning is minimised.

I advise that it is mandatory for people who have contact or potential contact with children in certain specified areas of employment to hold a Working with Children Clearance Notice. Please ensure that you satisfy this requirement as per <http://www.workingwithchildren.nt.gov.au/>

The Department is interested in the findings of the research and as such I look forward to receiving a copy of the final report. If you require any further assistance you may contact James Carlos on 8999 5721. I wish you well with the project.

Yours sincerely

Pascal Tremblay



Manager, Strategic Research and Evaluation
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