**Education year at a glance**

Start of K-12, 2009

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**Schools**

- Total number of teachers: 40,500
- Estimated total number of government school students: 536,800*
- Estimated number of Prep students in government schools: 43,500*
- Estimated total number of primary students in government schools (including Preps): 310,500*
- Estimated total number of secondary students in government schools: 226,300*
- 1017 new teachers under the Teacher Graduate Recruitment Program have been appointed to schools this year

* Numbers are rounded. Exact enrolment numbers will not be known until the February school census.

**Kindergartens**

- Estimated number of children: 62,339*
- Total number of locations: 1644

* Exact enrolment numbers will not be known until the April kindergarten census.

New Government schools and campuses to open at the start of the 2009 school year

- Berwick Chase Primary School
- Pakenham Lakeside Primary School
- Manor Lakes P-12 Specialist College
- Mount Ridley P-12 College
- Laurimar Primary School
- Caroline Springs P-9 College – Springside Campus
- Casey Central College
New children’s centres to open at the start of 2009

- Churchill Intergenerational Centre
- Yooralla Narre Warren Central Children’s Centre
- Springside Children’s Centre
- Docklands Children’s Centre

Children’s centres under planning or construction

- Warrnambool
- Karringal Children’s Centre
- Portland
- Craigieburn
- Doreen
- Casey
- Maribyrnong
- Port Fairy
- Hawthorn
- Ballarat
- Gowanbrae
- St Kilda
- Malvern
- Brookfield
- Mernda
- Shepparton

Student Term Dates for 2008

Term 1: Monday 2 February – Friday 3 April
Term 2: Monday 20 April - Friday 26 June
Term 3: Monday 13 July – Friday 18 September
Term 4: Monday 5 October – Friday 18 December

Kindergarten Term Dates for 2009

Term 1: Wednesday 28 January – Friday 3 April
Term 2: Monday 20 April - Friday 26 June
Term 3: Monday 13 July – Friday 18 September
Term 4: Monday 5 October – Friday 18 December