**BRIGHTPATH**

**INFORMATION FOR SCHOOLS – 5 SEPTEMBER 2018**

The School Curriculum and Standards Authority (the Authority) purchased the licence for Brightpath Assessment software in 2015 with the intent of providing all schools in Western Australia with access to the support that Brightpath affords to classroom teachers and administrators. Currently, in excess of 500 schools are registered with the Authority to use Brightpath.

Brightpath is assessment and reporting software that allows teachers to make reliable assessments of student achievements in a range of areas based on classroom assessment tasks. It facilitates the efficient and systematic collection of school-wide data to support rigorous evaluation both of teaching and learning. The software records the results of assessments and reports a range of formative and summative information to teachers and principals. This provides an informed basis for developing teaching programs targeting the needs of individual students.

The Authority will meet the cost of access to the Brightpath Basic Package for schools wishing to participate in the project. This includes unlimited access to the assessment process for all scales, and access to the following central reports:

* Results
* Performance profile
* Teaching points

Workshop materials are also provided to support school leaders in up-skilling their staff.

Schools that are interested in the trial should consider the following criteria for participation.

The school leadership team commits to:

* Implementation of this new initiative;
* Provision of appropriate training and support to their teachers;
* Assess\* students at least once each semester; and
* Submit student and teacher data to the Authority by the advertised due dates.

\* The school can select which assessments/Teacher’s Rulers they wish to use during the year. It is recommended that only one ruler is used per sub-set of students per year (e.g. upper primary - Narrative) to ensure that student growth can be tracked.

If you wish to be involved in the Brightpath project in Semester 1 2019 please register your interest by emailing Maureen Lorimer at maureen.lorimer@scsa.wa.edu.au **by Friday 19 October 2018** with the following information:

* Name of school, address and phone number
* School code
* Name of Principal and email address
* Name of Brightpath contact and email address.

The next K-10 e-circular due for publication on the 14 September 2018 will also include information regarding registering your interest for Brightpath 2019.

We look forward to your participation in this exciting project. If you have any queries regarding Brightpath please contact Maureen Lorimer, Principal Consultant – Strategic Projects on

9273 6397 (Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday) or by email.