

Update on Steiner investigation by Religion Report - Stephen Crittenden – 12 September 2007

Transcript

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Stephen Crittenden: Welcome to the program.

You may remember our story a few weeks ago about the Steiner stream in Victorian public schools, a small issue in some ways, but one that raises interesting questions about the hollowing out of our secular institutions, and about who is prepared to defend the principle of secularism and the idea of a common culture.

Stephen Crittenden: Well before we go, an update on the Steiner schools controversy in Victoria. The Steiner streams at the Footscray City Public School and Collingwood College, are being evaluated at the moment, but parents have been told the terms of reference for the evaluation will not be made public. Some parents are calling it a clandestine review, and say it's bound to reach a favourable conclusions because at this stage it's too hard for the Education Department to dismantle the programs. Stay tuned.

That's all this week. Thanks to Hagar Cohen and John Diamond. Goodbye now from Stephen Crittenden.