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Good schools are our best-kept secret

IT'S great to see two of the district's public co-educational comprehensive high schools get such good coverage in the *Northern District Times*.

Hunters Hill and Marsden High Schools don't often get the press they deserve. They are, therefore, the best kept secrets of the educational world in this area.

What makes a good school? David Gillespie's recent book on the subject tells us what every parent knows - caring, committed and inspiring teachers.

And how do you find out if a school has these? You visit. You don't listen to gossip or make judgments based on the wearing of school uniforms.

Ask to visit on a normal day, not only on Open Days. Walk the corridors and listen. How do I know all this? Over forty years as a teacher.

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