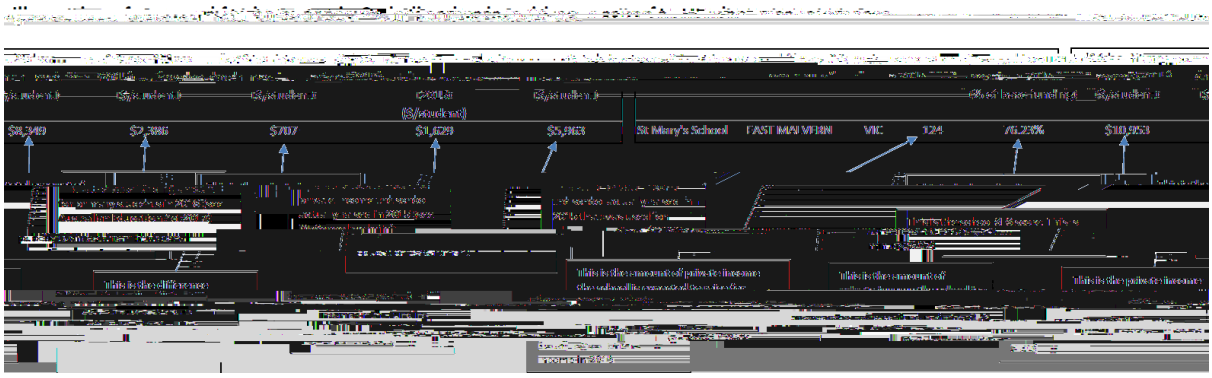
Fact checking the fact checkers

When a supposed ôfact checkô begins by getting the name of the organisation under scrutiny wrong, itôs pretty clear that whatôs going to follow wonôt exactly be much chop.

But as most journalists are less interested in histrionics than the history of Education Minister Simon Birminghamôs Gonksi 2.0 disaster, hereôs a response to Samantha Maidenôs ôfake newsô foot-stamping on Sky this morning.

The Catholic Education Commission of Victoria Ltd (CECV) ï thatôs if we actually were Ms Maidenôs target ï was accused of inventing fee increases.

Instead, we simply modelled how the contents of the Gonski 2.0 package as they stood at the time would affect a string of schools across Australia using publicly available federal government data and the contents of legislation, as the graphic below illustrates:



What Ms Maiden omitted to say ï in an egregious error for a Canberra Press Gallery veteran ï is