If you know exactly what fund you are looking for, type it in by **Title**. If searching by 'Title' please type in quotation marks (e.g. "Stephanie Alexander").

**Funding source** includes 'invitation only' sources. These are funders who do NOT accept applications or direct approaches, but we think it’s important for you to know that they’re ‘out there’ and supporting education. **TIP**: If you include ‘local government’ in your search be advised that this will bring up all grants across local councils in your state.

**Closing date**: In the drop-down list, 2012 simply means funds will be closing sometime this year; **post-2012** that they will be closing sometime next year or the year after; **dormant** that they are ‘between fund rounds’ and **ongoing** that you can apply any time of year.

The drop-down **Priority area** field contains a list of areas of interest to which funds are generally assigned. It’s not an exact science, but will help you refine your search.

As with priority area, the drop down **Target group** field contains a list of potential target groups with which funds may not necessarily be thinking of schools, but for which you may still be able to apply if you meet the right eligibility criteria.

**Sectors eligible**: This seems self-explanatory, but check out the ‘Other possibilities’ category too. This is associated with funders who may not necessarily be thinking of schools, but for which you may still be able to apply if you meet the right eligibility criteria.

**Search in all columns** is equivalent to a ‘keyword’ search (i.e. ‘scholarship’ will bring up all funds that are either scholarships or have the word ‘scholarship’ in any one of their fields. **Remember**, it’s an ‘OR’ option, so an entry in this field will override any selection made in any other field.

**Philanthropic requirements**: Philanthropic organisations usually have a number of eligibility requirements associated with their own legal and tax obligations. **DGR** stands for ‘Deductible Gift Recipient’ and **TCC** for ‘Tax Concession Charity’. For more definitions go to our ‘Resources’ page or click here.

**Location eligible**: When you tick your state or territory, your search will also include national funds.

**ID** simply means the Fund identification number (these are provided in your weekly alerts emails). A quick copy and paste will help you quickly find the fund you’re interested in.