

Statement from Geelong Grammar School  
29 February 2024

Given the historical nature of the matters at the core of your questions and given that the School's current management team was not involved in these matters, rather than respond to each question, we have elected for a general statement to be attributed to our Principal, Rebecca Cody:

Geelong Grammar School is committed to a compassionate response to survivors of historical sexual abuse. We recognise and acknowledge the failings of the past, the harm done, and the ongoing pain caused. As a school, we are committed to student safeguarding. We honour student safety, care and wellbeing, and prize the strengthening and enablement of student voice.

Following the Royal Commission into Institutional Responses to Childhood Sexual Abuse, we know our survivors still face significant challenges. Our Healing & Hope response has been designed to provide support in addressing these challenges and the ongoing impact of the abhorrent crimes of the past.

Speaking up is part of the healing process for some of our survivors; we respect their courage and right to be heard. We have a significant responsibility to learn from them to inform the care of our students today and into the future. In upholding the privacy of our survivors and their families, we do not comment on their individual circumstances or claims; however, we acknowledge their right to do so.