



# MALEK FAHD ISLAMIC SCHOOL

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## BOARD UPDATE

### INFORMATION UPDATE FROM THE BOARD OF MALEK FAHD ISLAMIC SCHOOL

30 June 2023

Assalamualaikum

On behalf of the Board, I would like to wish you a warm Eid Mubarak on these blessed days of Eidul-Adha (Festival of Sacrifice). May Allah (SWT) accept all our sacrifices for His Sake.

#### Resignation of Board Member

I am sad to announce that Aynur Simsirel, who only recently joined the Board, resigned because she returned to serve as Principal at Ilim College in Victoria. We thank for her contributions during the short time.

#### Court Case

Early 2021 the NSW Minister for Education and Early Childhood Learning decided that Malek Fahd Islamic School was to repay more than \$11 million in NSW State funding. This was the total amount of money the NSW Government paid to the school in 2014 and 2015. The Minister took this decision after deciding that the School operated for profit in 2014 and 2015 under a previous Board and administration.

Following the Minister's decision, the Board took legal advice and decided to seek a judicial review of the decision by the Supreme Court of NSW. In September last year, the Supreme Court ruled against each of the school's grounds of review.

The Board considered this judgement, and on the advice of its legal team, decided to lodge an appeal with the Court of Appeal. Yesterday the Supreme Court of NSW has ruled against our appeal. The school is reviewing the court's decision to consider its legal options.

The Supreme Court ruling does not change anything that has already been put in place since 2021. It simply means that we will continue to repay the money by way of reduced NSW State funding until 2026.

As far as students, staff and parents are concerned, it is 'school as usual'. The Board continues to ensure the school operates in a proper manner and that it has sufficient funds to meet its ongoing commitments. Our focus will always remain on providing a quality education for all students.

Jazakallahu khairun for your ongoing support.

Wassalam

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