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AISNSW welcomes the first woman elected as Premier of NSW

The Association of Independent Schools of NSW congratulates the Premier, The Hon Gladys Berejiklian, on her return to government, as the first woman elected as the Premier of NSW.

Dr Geoff Newcombe AM, Chief Executive of AISNSW, said the return of the Berejiklian Government was welcomed by NSW independent schools and he looked forward to working with the Premier and her Cabinet.

“In governing NSW, Premier Berejiklian and her Cabinet have shown a keen appreciation and clear understanding of the important issues for independent schools.

“With enrolments in independent schools continuing to rise steadily, especially in our low SES schools, the Berejiklian Government has an excellent understanding of the current pressure to develop broad-based education infrastructure to support the state’s rapid population growth.

“The Premier has shown her recognition of the importance in providing parents with choice as to the school they feel best suits their children’s needs.

“In particular, we appreciate that the education needs of all students in NSW are a priority for the Berejiklian Government.”

Dr Newcombe also acknowledged the work of the Minister for Education, The Hon Rob Stokes, during the Government’s second term of office.

“Minister Stokes has demonstrated strong agreement with Infrastructure NSW’s recommendations for non-government schools to alleviate pressure from the public system, for the good of all NSW schools.

“We anticipate a very positive and busy time ahead working with the Premier and her new Cabinet to achieve the best outcomes for all school students in NSW.”

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