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Appointment of Mrs Kim Kiepe as Somerville House Principal

The PMSA is delighted to introduce Mrs Kim Kiepe who has been appointed Principal of Somerville House commencing in January 2019.

Mrs Kiepe is currently Principal of St Hilda's Anglican School for Girls in Perth and has held this position since 2015. Under her leadership, St Hilda's has continued its reputation as one of Western Australia's top performing schools, being well known for a focus on academic excellence, quality teaching and a commitment to student wellbeing and performance in girls' sport, music and cultural pursuits.



She will bring extensive school leadership experience to the Somerville House Principal role, having taught and led in Education Queensland schools, the TAFE sector and Anglican girls' schools for more than 30 years. Mrs Kiepe has previously held the positions of Deputy Principal at St Aidan's Anglican Girls' School (Corinda) and Head of Boarding and Senior Years' Co-ordinator at St Hilda's School (Gold Coast). She has spent the majority of her career in girls' schools with large boarding communities and extensive co-curricular and global exchange programs.

Mrs Kiepe holds a Masters of Educational Leadership and Management, a Bachelor in Education and a Diploma of Teaching. She has presented at a number of conferences on leadership development of girls and staff and has a keen interest and experience in governance, compliance, marketing and financial oversight in education, which is supported by her study at the Australian Institute of Company Directors.

Speaking of her appointment to Somerville House, Mrs Kiepe said:

"I am looking forward to joining the Somerville House community, and meeting with students, parents and staff. This is a wonderful opportunity to lead the staff in supporting each student's aspirations and build on the School's reputation as a leader in education. I am committed to maintaining past traditions and building strong relationships within the Somerville community."

After an extensive and rigorous recruitment process assisted by Lyngcoln Consulting, the PMSA selected Mrs Kiepe from impressive and experienced candidates. We are confident that Mrs Kiepe's values, vision and passion will continue Somerville House's enviable reputation. She is a fine educator with a warm and engaging manner and excellent communication skills.

Mrs Kiepe is looking forward to returning to her home town of Brisbane with her husband Peter. They have two adult children – a son and a daughter.

Kind regards

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