



Media Release

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Independent School Representatives meet Prime Minister on School Funding Concerns

Representatives of Independent Schools Victoria, the Association of Independent Schools of NSW, and the Association of Independent Schools of SA, along with representatives of the Independent Schools Council of Australia, today met the Prime Minister and the Minister for Education.

We release the following joint media statement:

We welcome the Prime Minister's willingness to meet us, and we are keen to work with him and Senator Birmingham to seek an enduring resolution of the funding issue.

It was a productive meeting, in which we told the Prime Minister of our concerns about the implications of the recommendations of the National School Resourcing Board, which are causing uncertainty and disruption for many schools.

We want more work to be done to resolve technical issues in the recommendations, and the phased introduction of any change.

With goodwill, we think the Government and all non-government school sectors can arrive at a system that ensures fair treatment for all students, no matter what school they attend – not special deals.

Our aim is to ensure that schools, parents and students can have certainty and predictability – and we can finally put an end to the so-called 'funding wars'.

The Prime Minister and Senator Birmingham committed to further meetings.

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