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Dear Arndell Anglican College Community,

Many of you are aware that a letter has been circulated to the Australian public from the Anglican Diocese of Sydney and that this letter has been signed by various School Leaders within the Diocese, of which I am one. The content of this letter focuses on two things:

- Firstly, our desire to see current religious freedoms maintained within our sector.
- Secondly, our desire to maintain the right to employ staff aligned with the College's ethos.

I wish to make it clear, unlike what is being reported by various sections of the media, including on social media, we do not expel students based on their sexuality. In fact, Arndell Anglican College continues to be very pastorally aware of the needs of our students, has actively supported students where necessary and has appointed students of a variety of sexual orientations to student leadership positions within the College. Secondly, we do not 'sack' or employ staff members based on their sexuality or relationship status. It is not and will never be our intention to engage in discriminatory actions.

Arndell Anglican College remains committed to being and building a Christian community where all are accepted, developed and nurtured. I am grateful to those who have already contacted me in relation to this matter. I have appreciated the individual conversations held and communication shared.

In Christ,

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