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Mercy Education Limited appoints Luci Quinn as Chief Executive Officer

Melbourne, VIC — Mercy Education Limited is delighted to announce the appointment of **Ms Luci Quinn** as the new Chief Executive Officer of Mercy Education, effective from 5 October 2026.

Ms Quinn is exceptionally well-placed to lead and influence Catholic education as a system leader. She commenced her teaching career in 1990 and brings extensive experience as a principal and system leader in Catholic education. Since 2019, she has been the Principal of Clonard College in Geelong, a Catholic girls' college with nearly 1000 students.

Ms Quinn has a deep commitment to the mission of Catholic education in Australia and is a highly regarded Catholic education leader with exceptional credentials in culture building, governance, Catholic identity and school renewal. She is the current (peer-elected) President of the Principals' Association of Victorian Catholic Secondary Schools (PAVCSS) and Victorian Director of Catholic Secondary Principals Australia (CaSPA).

Ms Quinn has a Master of Educational Leadership, Professional Certificate in Instructional Leadership and a Graduate Certificate in Theology – Women's Leadership for Mission. She recently completed the Harvard Graduate School of Education – Achieving Excellence in Leadership program. Ms Quinn received the 2022 ACEL Victorian Fellowship Award for Inspiring Educational Leaders and is a professional mentor to female leaders, with a passion for advancing the role of women in leadership.

As Chief Executive Officer, Ms Quinn will lead the Executive of Mercy Education in supporting the Board's governance and work closely with the Principals of Mercy Education's thirteen colleges across South Australia, Victoria and Western Australia to continue to provide high-quality, faith-led education, inspired by the charism of Catherine McAuley.

Audrey Brown, Board Chair of Mercy Education Limited, welcomes the appointment.

"Luci's witness as a Catholic education leader grounded in mission and service along with her rich experience as both a principal and system leader committed to continuous school improvement will be valued by the Mercy Education community. The Board is delighted to be welcoming Luci to the Mercy fold as we shape our new strategic direction and continue to build stable governance and executive leadership for flourishing school communities into the future."

Ms Quinn said she accepted the role with a strong sense of calling and gratitude.



"I feel blessed to be joining Mercy Education as Chief Executive Officer at this exciting time, serving the Board, working alongside Principals and school communities, and leading the National Office team. I bring to this role a passion for Catholic education, a commitment to honouring and deepening the Mercy charism, and a desire to lead with presence, integrity and joy. I look forward to getting to know each community and to helping bring the Mercy Education vision and future strategy to life, as together we continue to grow faith-filled communities of educational excellence where children, young people and staff can thrive."

Mercy Education Limited also acknowledges the contribution of Mr Andy Kuppe, Interim Chief Executive Officer since September 2025. Andy's stewardship and contribution over the last 11 months has been truly outstanding and we wish him all the very best for his new role as Executive Officer at CRMV Ltd.

Until Ms Quinn commences, the Board is confident that Mercy Education will continue its important work under the capable leadership of Ms Sheree Limbrick, Interim CEO.

About Mercy Education Limited

Mercy Education Limited is a national Catholic education ministry responsible for the governance of thirteen fully sponsored Mercy schools — nine in Victoria, three in Western Australia and one in South Australia. It also supports and promotes the Mercy ethos across a further twenty-four Mercy affiliated schools nationally. Guided by the Gospel and by the charism of Catherine McAuley, Mercy Education provides faith-centred, values-led governance to support flourishing school communities committed to excellence, justice and compassion.

Governance within Mercy Education is exercised as ministry, grounded in the teachings of Jesus Christ and inspired by the vision of Catherine McAuley, in service of students, staff, families and communities entrusted to Mercy education.

Mercy Education Limited is an incorporated ministry of **Mercy Ministry Companions**, which holds canonical responsibility for the Mercy education ministry. This relationship supports the ongoing commitment to Catholic identity, Mercy charism and mission-aligned governance now and into the future.



Audrey Brown
Board Chair
Mercy Education Ltd

