



Thursday 13 March 2025

Media Statement re: Mr Andrew Cleary in response to query from the *Geelong Advertiser*

Background

The School was contacted by the *Geelong Advertiser* regarding Mr Andrew Cleary's employment at Geelong Grammar School. Mr Cleary has been charged with historical child sex offences and is scheduled to appear in the Geelong Magistrates Court on April 8.

Statement supplied to the *Geelong Advertiser*

"I can confirm that Mr Andrew Cleary was employed as a rowing coach at Geelong Grammar School for the equivalent of six weeks between July and November 2021.

Mr Cleary did not complete his probation period at the School.

There were no allegations of sexual misconduct during Mr Cleary's period of employment.

At our School, we actively encourage and support our students to use their voices to keep themselves and others safe. It is through hearing their voices, by listening and acting, that we enable a culture that places student safeguarding at its core."

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