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## Statement re: Unit composition at Timbertop in response to media enquiries

"At Geelong Grammar School, we believe that a coeducational, inclusive boarding community will enable our students to leave as confident and resilient young adults, strengthened in their capacity to develop meaningful relationships and be well-prepared for life beyond school.

Whilst we cannot comment on specific students or circumstances, we can say that we are very open about being an inclusive community and supporting all of our students, including those identifying as LGBTQI+, to be heard, respected and kept safe in our care.

Our Inclusivity Policy makes it clear we will respect a student's gender identity, and that gender identity will be considered when assigning a student to a boarding environment.

Our longstanding policy on inclusion reflects the Child Safe Standards, which require that all Victorian schools uphold equity, respect diverse needs among students, and pay particular attention to the needs of LGBTIQ+ students."

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