Media release



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Goodstart's founding CEO made a Member of the Order of Australia (AM)

Goodstart Early Learning's Chairman, Paul Robertson, AO, today congratulated the organisation's founding CEO, Julia Davison on her appointment as a Member of the Order of Australia for her significant service to children, youth and to the community.

"Congratulations Julia on this much deserved recognition of your extraordinary contribution to Australia's children and young people.

"Having spent eleven years ensuring Goodstart, a unique social enterprise, delivered on the aspirations of its founders, Julia continues to be a highly effective advocate for children and young people.

"Her focus on vulnerable children and young people makes a positive difference every day," he said.

Since leaving her role at Goodstart in late 2022, Julia has been appointed as a board member at Childcare Economic Opportunity Fund NSW and a non-executive director at Paul Ramsay Foundation, where she applies her executive and strategic leadership experience to support philanthropy, government investment and systems change.

Julia has held various non-executive roles including Chair of Catherine House SA and the Girl Academy, Cape York Partnership. She has also been a non- executive director at TIO in the Northern Territory. Most recently she has completed the INSEAD coaching program and is starting coach a small number of CEO's and First Nations leaders.



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Notes for editors

Goodstart Early Learning is Australia's largest early learning provider with 654 centres nationwide. We're a not-for-profit social enterprise committed to improving the lives of Australia's children and their families. For more information, visit <u>goodstart.org.au</u>.

Acknowledgement of country



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Goodstart acknowledges all Traditional Custodians across Australia and recognises First Nations peoples' continued cultural and spiritual connection to the land, sky and waterways that surround us. We pay our respects to Elders past, present and emerging.