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Hello and welcome back to the first edition of Gaining Ground for 2021.

This edition includes industrial updates for Catholic systemic schools and independent schools, a member profile of a support staff member newly elected to the IEU Executive, and a reminder to celebrate the upcoming World Support Staff Day.

We hope you find this edition of Gaining Ground informative. We strongly encourage you to send this enews on to your colleagues, and if they're not members, talk to them about [joining the IEU](#).

The value of membership is clearer now more than ever. We are stronger together.

Mark Northam
Secretary, Independent Education Union of Australia NSW/ACT Branch

Latest news from your union



Voice for support staff

A new working party gives support staff a voice in NSW Catholic systemic schools.

Take a look



AIS campaign draws on

IEU representatives have met twice this year with the Association of Independent Schools (AIS) to discuss our claim for new enterprise agreements for over 200 independent schools in NSW and the ACT.

Take a look



IEU NSW/ACT Branch supports the Uluru Statement from the Heart and constitutional reform to establish a First Nations voice – endorsed at the 2020 AGM.



Support staff member ascends to IEU Executive

Aboriginal Education Worker Kylie Booth-Martinez, of Assumption Catholic Primary School and St Stanislaus' College in Bathurst, was elected to fill a casual vacancy on the union's Executive.

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World Support Staff Day

World Support Staff Day, or Education Support Personnel Day as it's otherwise known, is being celebrated this year on Sunday 16 May.

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