

KEYNOTE ADDRESS

Head or CEO?

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ABSTRACT

Independent school Principals today are expected to play a growing number of leadership roles – education and pastoral care leader, financial manager, strategic planner, school promoter, school ‘visionary.’ At the same time, Boards often point to the model of the corporate CEO as a desirable one for Principals to emulate. Dr Constable chairs the Board of a Perth independent girls’ school and is also a Board member of an independent boys’ school. She has served on selection panels for new Principals and is vitally interested in exploring an effective model of a contemporary Principal. What do Boards want? What can Principals realistically deliver?