

## **Choice in Schooling**

- Family First is committed to choice in education and to supporting legislation that provides an equitable distribution of funding to both public and private schools.
- We recognise, respect and affirm the right of parents to choose a school for their children in which values that align with their own are affirmed and promoted.
- We support a high level of autonomy for schools and the principle that decision making for schools should be made as close to the coalface as possible.
- We support giving school principals and school councils freedom to appoint staff and make decisions around school development projects. (The recent Building the Education Revolution or 'BER' is a case in point where centralised bureaucracies have delivered appalling value for money results whereas projects managed locally have delivered good outcomes.)