

Stella Maris College invites you to our 2026

# International WOMEN'S DAY

## Breakfast

Join us for our 2026 International Women's Day celebration—a powerful morning of inspiration, connection and empowerment, guided by this year's theme, Balance the Scales.

Organise your table of 10 (5 students and 5 parents/carers). Students are required to sign-in at school by 8.50am following breakfast.



Friday 6 March, 2026



7.00am – 8.30am



Manly Golf Club

**\$45.00 per person**

Includes buffet breakfast, coffee, tea, juice, hot chocolate, inspirational speakers and incredible company!



**BOOK NOW**



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1931  
-2026

## Speakers



**Leigh Mackay**

Head of Corporate Affairs and  
Marketing – Lendlease



**Lauren Gilbert**

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## Meet our Alumni Panellists



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### College Captain - Class of 1996

Leigh was appointed Head of Corporate Affairs & Marketing at Lendlease in 2024. In this role, she provides strategic and operational leadership across Lendlease's global corporate affairs and marketing function.

Since joining Lendlease in 2005, Leigh has held senior positions in Development, Investment Management and Construction. She led Marketing, Communications and Stakeholder Engagement for the Barangaroo South development - now recognised as a world-class destination and a defining part of Sydney's landscape.

Before joining Lendlease, Leigh worked across the technology and business tourism sectors in key marketing and business development roles.

Leigh is passionate about developing the next generation of leaders.

### Prefect - Class of 2005

Lauren has spent more than a decade living, working and studying in China. Most recently, she served as an Australian Government official and diplomat in Shanghai and Guangzhou—fulfilling a long-held ambition after first visiting China in 2005. As Trade and Investment Commissioner at Austrade from 2022 to 2025, she played a key role in stabilising the Australia–China bilateral relationship and is frequently featured speaking fluent Mandarin on official Chinese social media and national television, reaching millions of viewers.

Alongside her government career, Lauren brings more than ten years of commercial experience with leading technology companies including IBM and LinkedIn. Lauren holds a Bachelor of International Studies from the University of Sydney, is proficient in Mandarin and Danish, and has travelled to more than 80 countries.

She is a leading supporter of diversity and inclusion.