



# **G8 Education – Half Year Overview 2014**

G8 Education Limited (ASX:GEM) 18 August 2014

# **Corporate Snapshot**



## **Capital Structure**

| Fully Paid Ordinary Shares (current)                       | 332.1 million   |
|--|-----------------|
| Options  | Nil             |
| Share Price (14 August 2014)                               | \$5.24          |
| Market Capitalisation (as at 14 <sup>th</sup> August 2014) | \$1.7 bn        |
| Cash (as at 30 June 2014)                                  | \$153.9 million |
| Senior Debt (as at 30 June 2014)                           | Nil             |
| Senior Unsecured Notes (as at 30 June 2014)                | \$270.0 million |

#### 1 Year Share Price Chart



## Directors & Senior Management

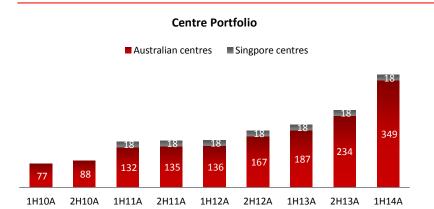
| Jenny Hutson    | Chairperson                         |
|-----------------|-------------------------------------|
| Chis Scott      | Managing Director                   |
| Andrew Kemp     | Non-Executive Director              |
| Brian Bailison  | Non-Executive Director              |
| Susan Forrester | Non-Executive Director              |
| Jason Roberts   | Chief Executive Officer             |
| Chris Sacre     | Chief Operating & Financial Officer |

| Substantial Shareholder | Shares       | % Holding |
|-------------------------|--------------|-----------|
| NAB                     | 18.6 million | 5.6%      |

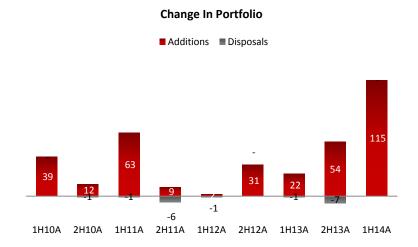


## **Group Centre Portfolio**





G8 Education has continued to make earnings per share accretive acquisitions throughout H1 2014.



The group acquired 115 centres during H1 2014

- As at 30th June 2014 the group owned 349 centres in Australia and 18 centres in Singapore
- The group added 115 new centres in the period. These were comprised of a combination of Sterling related assets and non Sterling related assets
- The total average portfolio occupancy as at 30<sup>th</sup> June 2014 was 83.02%.
- Strong revenue growth of 6.6% combined with prudent cost management strategies realised an EBIT growth of 9.3% for the like for like centres in 1H14 vs 1H13.

## **Return on Invested Capital**



- Return on Invested Capital at the period ended 30<sup>th</sup> June 2014 was 25.5%.
- This calculation is based on analyst forecasts assuming no new acquisitions and allowing for AUD\$70,000,000 in additional debt to fund the acquisitions announced on 11 August 2014. The small decline is due to the multiple paid for the Sterling acquisition which was at 5.8 times forecast EBIT.
- ROIC was 23.8% in CY11, 24.8% in CY12 and 25.9% in CY13.

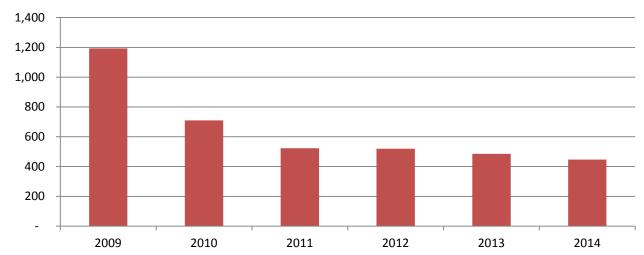
| Equity as at reporting period  | HY14<br>431,569,000 | CY13<br>304,786,000 | CY12<br>182,307,582 | CY11<br>115,164,091 |
|--|---------------------|---------------------|---------------------|---------------------|
| Fair value adjustments to Equity due to acquisition purchase price gross up due to share price movements | 24,026,790          | 24,026,790          | 24,026,790          | 23,835,853          |
| Adjust equity for fair value   | 407,542,210         | 280,759,210         | 158,280,792         | 91,328,238          |
| Add Net Debt (includes note raise on 14 August, 2014)  | 178,312,000         | 171,000             | 27,462,272          | 22,232,372          |
|  | 585,854,210         | 280,930,210         | 185,743,064         | 113,560,610         |
|  |                     |                     |                     |                     |
| Return on Invested Capital (ROIC)  | 25.5%               | 25.9%               | 24.8%               | 23.8%               |

## Head Office Cost per Licensed Place



|                                     | 2009    | 2010  | 2011  | 2012   | 2013   | H1 2014 |
|-------------------------------------|---------|-------|-------|--------|--------|---------|
| Number of Places                    | 2,547   | 6,304 | 9,868 | 12,661 | 17,597 | 24,816  |
| Head office cost per licensed place | \$1,193 | \$710 | \$523 | \$520  | \$485  | \$447   |
|                                     |         |       |       |        |        |         |
| Employment cost per licensed place  | \$786   | \$503 | \$377 | \$364  | \$348  | \$331   |
| Overhead cost per licensed place    | \$413   | \$207 | \$145 | \$156  | \$138  | \$118   |

### Fully adjusted head office costs per licensed place

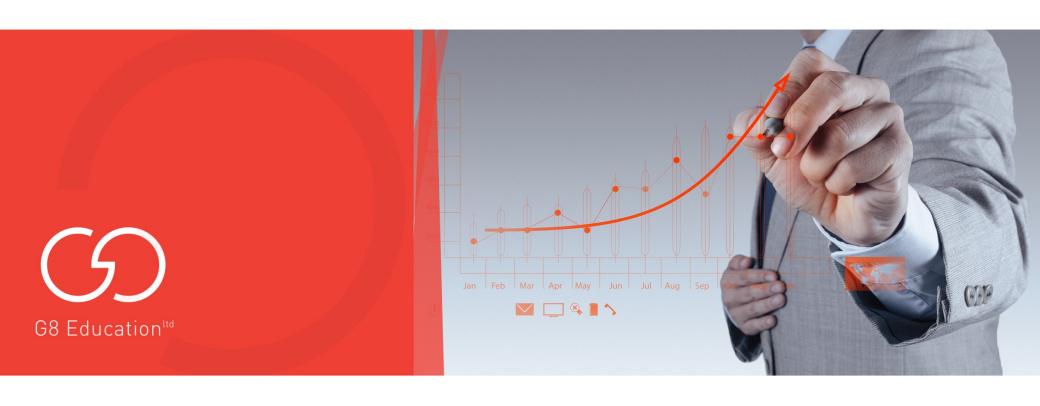


- Effective cost management and productivity gains combine to drive head office cost per licensed place lower
- Improved efficiencies from automation initiatives and more effective use of existing resources contribute to labour cost savings
- Increased focus on purchasing and strict adherence to cost saving improve overhead consumption at head office

## **Sterling Integration Update**

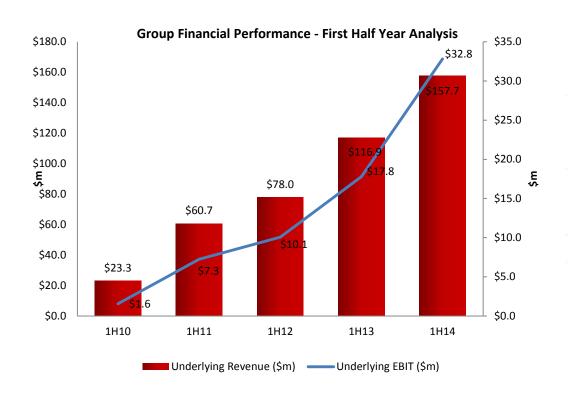


- The Sterling acquisition integration continues to schedule 50 of the 91 centres had settled as at 30<sup>th</sup> June, 2014
- All centres are now fully integrated into the G8 operations network and contributing to group performance
- They have been fully equipped with all educational and technological equipment, fully staffed and included in the groups marketing programs
- The remaining 41 centres are expected to settle between half year end and September as detailed in the announcement on 24<sup>th</sup> March, 2014



## **Group Revenue and EBIT**





The table opposite shows the underlying group revenue and EBIT growth from 1H10 to 1H 14

Underlying EBIT has increased by 84% from 1H13 to 1H14 due to the contributions from acquisitions and organic growth.

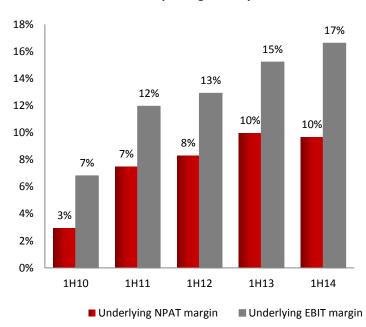
CAGR of 83% for underlying EBIT from 1H10 to 1H 14

<sup>\*\*</sup>Underlying Revenue/EBIT is reported revenue/EBIT excluding non-recurring transactions as displayed in page 10 of the Annual Report.

# **Financial Margin Analysis**



#### **Group Margin Analysis - First Half**



- The EBIT margin is affected by seasonal fluctuations in occupancy from January to June compared with July to December due to the transition of children from Kindergarten to primary school in January each year.
- Underlying EBIT margins have improved through a combination of organic improvements and high quality acquisitions.
- Underlying EBIT margins have increased from 15% in 1H13 to 17% in 1H14

### **HY14** Income Statement



|   | 2014    | 2013    | Variance |
|---|---------|---------|----------|
|   | \$'000  | \$'000  | %        |
| Revenue   | 187,257 | 118,173 | 58%      |
| Expenses  | 157,166 | 101,128 | 55%      |
| Earnings Before Interest and Tax                          | 30,091  | 17,045  | 77%      |
| Interest  | 6,648   | 1,332   | 399%     |
| Net Profit Before Tax                                     | 23,443  | 15,713  | 49%      |
| Net Profit After Tax                                      | 16,309  | 11,018  | 48%      |
| Less non-recurring transactions:                          |         |         |          |
| Acquisition costs - legal and stamp duy                   | 545     | 207     |          |
| Amortisation of facility establishment costs              | 808     | -       |          |
| Loss on non-current assets held for sale                  | -       | 776     |          |
| Translation expense on revaluation of Notes issued in SGD | 343     | -       |          |
| Deferred consideration write back                         | -       | (550)   |          |
| Reclassification of interest rate derivative              | 171     |         |          |
| Underlying Net Profit After Tax                           | 18,036  | 11,349  | 59%      |
| Underlying Earnings Before Interest and Tax               | 31,150  | 17,478  | 78%      |

- Strong revenue growth of \$69.1m was reported in 1HY14 representing a 58% increase from 1H13.
- 10% of the increase in revenue was delivered from the like for like centres whilst the remaining increase was a contribution from the 76 centres which were acquired during CY13 combined with the incremental contribution from the 115 centres acquired during 1H14.
- Underlying EBIT margin increased by 1.8% from 14.8% in C1H13 to 16.6% in 1H14.
- Like for Like EBIT margin increased by 50bps up from 19.7% to 20.2% from 1H13 to 1H14.

# **Balance Sheet**



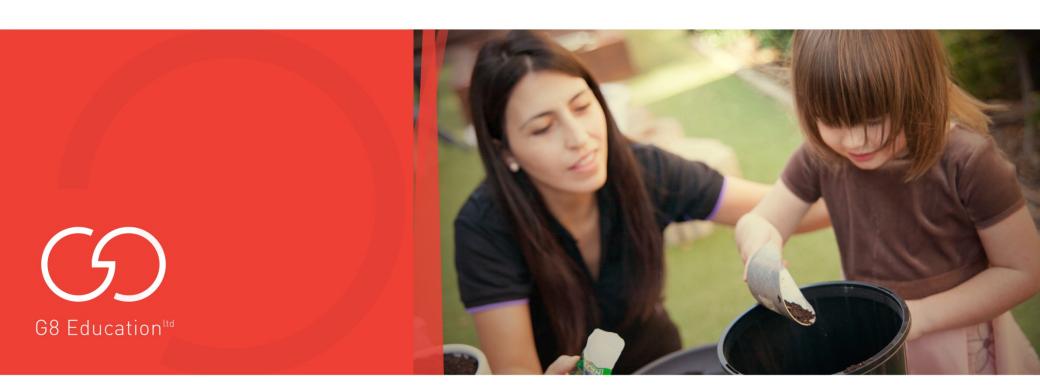
|                                    | 30-Jun-14<br><b>\$'000</b> | 31-Dec-13<br>\$'000 |  |
|------------------------------------|----------------------------|---------------------|--|
| Current assets                     |                            |                     | • Cash reserves as at 30 June 2014 were \$153.9m up from \$114m              |
| Cash and cash equivalents          | 153,942                    | 114,043             | at 31 December 2013.   |
| Trade and other receivables        | 16,237                     | 9,613               | Trade and other receivables increased from \$9.6m to \$16.2m                 |
| Other current assets               | 18,488                     | 4,424               | during 1H14 primarily due to timing of half year cut off and the             |
| Assets classified as held for sale | -                          | 0                   | impact on debtors  |
| Total current assets               | 188,667                    | 128,080             | impact on debtors  |
|                                    |                            |                     | • Other current assets increased from \$4.4m to \$18.5m during               |
| Non-current assets                 |                            |                     | 1H14 due to a \$14.1m increase in deposits on acquisitions that              |
| Receivables                        | -                          | 1,640               | had not yet settled at 30 June 14.   |
| Property plant and equipment       | 21,623                     | 18,069              | PP&E has increased by \$3.6m from December 2013 to December                  |
| Deferred tax assets                | 8,384                      | 7,320               | 2014. This increase is additional PPE from acquisitions as well as           |
| Intangible assets                  | 572,457                    | 326,857             | organic capex on centre improvements   |
| Total non-current assets           | 602,464                    | 353,886             |  |
| Total assets                       | 791,131                    | 481,966             | • Intangible assets are \$572m. This represents the purchase price           |
|                                    |                            |                     | of child care centres (adjusted for fair value adjustments) and has          |
| Current liabilities                |                            |                     | increased due to acquisition activity in 2014                                |
| Trade and other payables           | 74,917                     | 39,825              | • The increase in trade and other payables of \$35.1m is due to the          |
| Borrowings                         | -                          | 3,778               | following:   |
| Employee Entitlements              | 14,489                     | 11,214              | <ul> <li>Dividend payable - \$4.4m;</li> </ul>                               |
| Derivative Financial Instruments   | 264                        | 283                 |  |
| Current tax liabilities            | 4,113                      | 8,910               | Centre enrolment advances and fees paid in advance \$5.3m                    |
| Total current liabilities          | 93,783                     | 64,010              | Deferred centre acquisition payments - \$10.8m; and                          |
|                                    |                            |                     | • \$14.6m increase in other payables and accruals                            |
| Non-current liabilities            |                            |                     | • The increase in employee entitlements over the period is due to            |
| Borrowings                         | 262,254                    | 110,436             | the increase in the number of centres across the group.                      |
| Other payables                     | 734                        | 760                 |  |
| Provisions                         | 2,791                      | 1,974               | <ul> <li>Borrowings include the gross value of the Australian and</li> </ul> |
| Total non-current liabilities      | 265,779                    | 113,170             | Singapore bonds less costs of issue which are amortised over the             |
| Total liabilities                  | 359,562                    | 177,180             | life of the notes.   |
| Net Assets                         | 431,569                    | 304,786             | 12   |

## Cashflow



| Cash flows from operating activities         30-Jun-14 \$'000         30-Jun-13 \$'000           Receipts from customers         191,172         118,184           Payments to suppliers and employees         (161,728)         (96,327)           Interest received         1,731         435           Interest paid         (5,204)         (1,331)           Borrowing costs         (42)         (78)           Income taxes paid         (11,424)         (4,264)           Net cash inflows from operating activities         14,505         16,619           Cash flows from investing activities         2         10,619           Payments from purchase of businesses         (218,015)         (25,549)           Repayment of loans by Key Management Personnel         1,642         113           Proceeds from sale of childcare centres         1         104           Payments for property plant and equipment         (5,620)         (6,866)           Net cash outflows from investing activities         (221,993)         (32,198)           Cash flows from financing activities         (1,145)         (1,145)           Dividends paid         (12,996)         (8,173)           Proceeds from issue of corporate note         195,091         -           Proceeds from issue of shares   |   |           |          |
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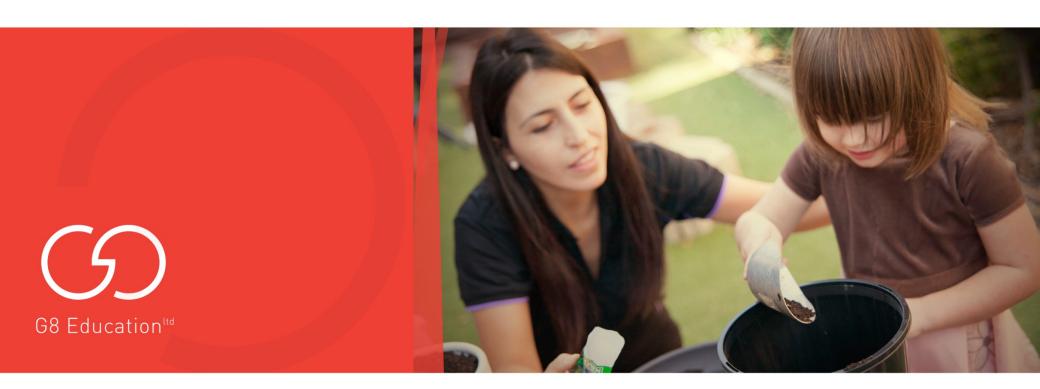
- Operating cashflow remained strong at \$14.5m for the period
- The variance of Earnings before Depreciation and Amortisation to operating cashflow is 2.7%. This is calculated post adjusting for the timing impact of tax expenses and interest paid
- Payments for businesses of \$218m represent the payments for the 115 child care centre acquisitions announced and settled during the year.
- Payments for PP&E at \$5.6m relates to additional PPE obtained from acquisitions as well as organic capex on centre improvements and technology upgrades.
- Cash flow from financing activities has increased by \$247.5m during the year due to the share placement and SPP, net proceeds from the issue of AU notes of AUD\$50m and SG notes of SGDS\$175m (AUD\$150m) offset by the repayment of the Bank West senior secured debt of AUD\$46.6m.



## **Productivity Commission Draft Report**



- Release of Productivity Commission Draft Report on 22<sup>nd</sup> July 2013
- Key draft rulings:
  - CCB and CCR to be combined Value of benefit based on a means tested deemed cost of childcare of \$7.53 per hour with family income less than \$60k receiving 90% and more than \$300k receiving 30%
  - Payroll tax exemption to be abolished
  - National harmonisation of staff to childcare ratios and removal of ECT requirements for rooms for 36 month children and below
  - Universal application of pre-school funding across Australia
  - Simplification of NQF assessment process
- The commission has invited written responses to its draft report afterwhich a final report will be released in October 2014



#### Market Potential



#### • Highly Fragmented industry

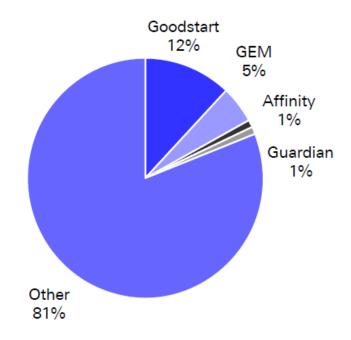
- Approximately 6,500 long day care centres across Australia
- G8 Education Limited represents approximately 5% of the market
- Goodstart Early Learning represents approximately 12% of the market
- The addressable market is estimated at approximately 4,000 centres

#### • Strong long-term demand for early childhood education services

- A transformation of perceptions of childcare away from that of childminding to a crucial step to better educational outcomes
- Ongoing drives to increase female participation rates from current level of 66% for mothers
- Government funding was to have reached \$5.7bn in 13/14 with additional funding expected for the 14/15 period
- Undersupply in metropolitan and inner city suburbs

#### • Strong pipeline of acquisition opportunities

- Good relationships with brokers and vendors
- Strong reputation in the sector
- Disciplined due diligence
- Implement best practice operating efficiencies to improve organic performance
  - Proven results from previous acquisitions



Source: Company Data; Q8710 - Child Care Services in Australia, Feb, 2014, IBISWorld Pty Ltd

### **Market Potential**



#### Australian Statistics since 2006 Baby Boom

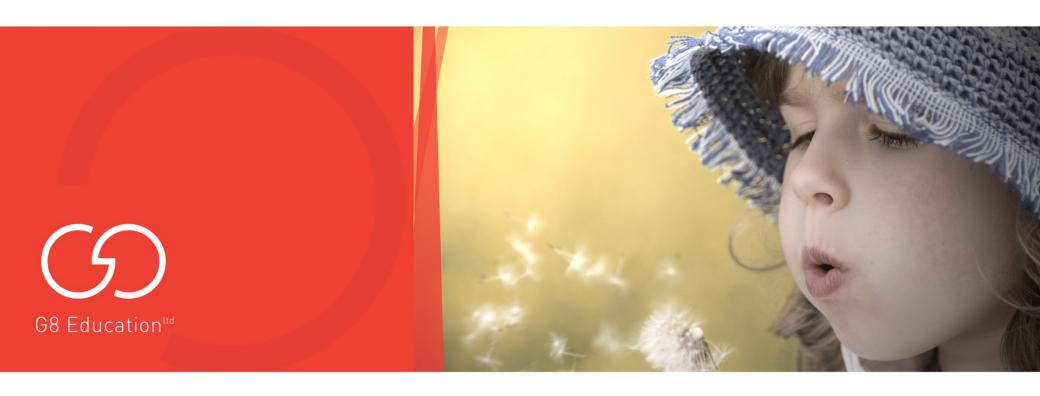
Australia ranks 30<sup>th</sup> against OECD countries for enrolment rates

17%
increase in
number of
Long Day Care
(LDC) Places
since 2006
baby boom

31% increase in number of children enrolled in Govt. approved childcare since 2006 baby boom

#### Potential to increase enrolments:

- Current Government support Funding through Child Care Rebate CCR (not means tested, capped at \$7,500) and Child Care Benefit CCB (means tested)
- Room to move on educational funding Average OECD countries pre-primary expenditure equates to 0.5% of GDP. Australia invests 0.01% of GDP. An increase of funding would significantly increase enrolments inline with fellow OECD countries
- Since 2006 the 0-5 year population increased by 183,000 (6 times the 20 year average)
- National Quality Framework introduced in 2012 increases the propensity of parents/guardians to view childcare as an educational imperative
- Since the year 2000, the proportional attendance rate of childcare services has grown from 21% to 38% in the year to June 2011.
- Sector licencing based on m<sup>2</sup> requirement inside (3.25m<sup>2</sup>) and outdoors (7m<sup>2</sup>) compared to other countries like the UK (2.5m<sup>2</sup>).



## Significant Events Post 30 June 2014

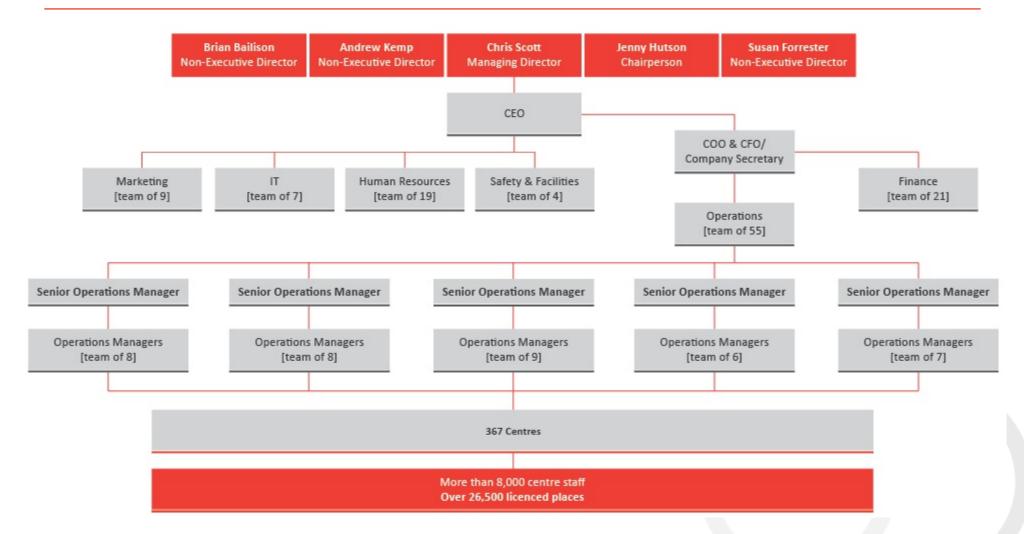


- On the 11<sup>th</sup> August G8 education announced it has contracts to acquire 25 childcare and education centres from a number of different vendors. G8 Education Limited has contractual arrangements with each of the vendors, conditional upon customary licensing and landlord approvals. The acquisitions will be funded from cash reserves. Subject to these conditions being satisfied the acquisitions are expected to settle before the end of January 2015. The total purchase price for the 25 centres is \$72,700,000 payable at settlement and a further \$10,000,000 conditional upon the centre based EBIT target being achieved in the 12 months post settlement. The purchase price is 4 times anticipated EBIT for the 12 months post settlement.
- On the 14<sup>th</sup> of August SGD\$85,000,000 was raised from the issue of Tranche 2 Notes, at a 4.75% per annum coupon, maturing in May 2017. The notes, which are expected to be issued on 21 August 2014, will be consolidated to form a single series with the SGD\$175,000,000 4.75 per cent fixed rate notes due 2017 issued on 19 May.



# **Australian Corporate Structure**





### **Our Brands**



























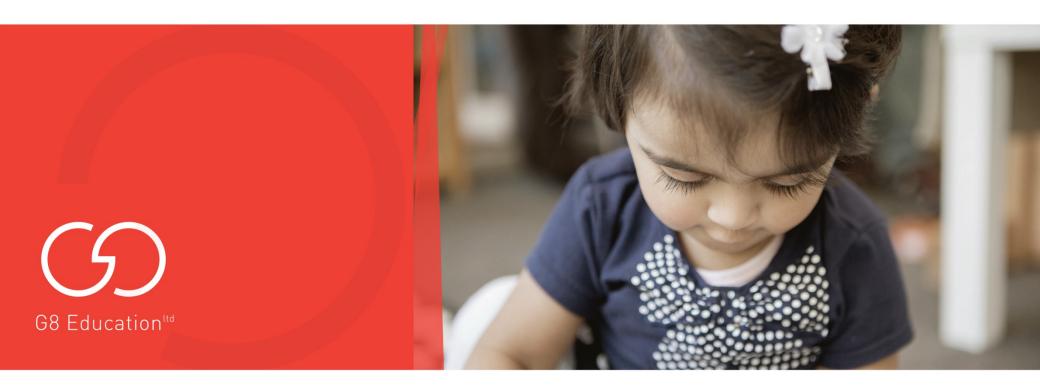








- G8 Education currently manages 16 branded childcare groups as part of a diversified brand strategy
- Over H1 2014 four new brands have been added to the portfolio
- No two G8 brands are alike. Each carries within it the characteristics and qualities inherent in the communities within which the centres operate
- A team of 8 marketers actively manages our group brands facilitating the provision of quality care and education to the widest range of demographics possible



# **THANK YOU**

Questions?