

November 2017

LEA SERVICE AWARD

Neville Grieger

**For services to Lutheran schooling
1982 – 2017**

The Lutheran Church of Australia thankfully acknowledges the faithful and committed service of Neville Grieger to Lutheran schools for 36 years.

Neville commenced his service in Lutheran schools in 1982 when he was appointed as a teacher at Immanuel College, Maroochydore Qld. After five years he moved to Faith Lutheran School in Tanunda, SA, where he fulfilled the roles of Teacher, Year 12 Coordinator then Administration Director from 1987 to 1996. In 1997, Neville was appointed as Deputy Principal at Faith Lutheran School and he held that position for three years.

In 2000, Neville accepted a position as Principal at Unity College, Murray Bridge SA. During his eight years there, he was instrumental in growing the college from around 500 students to close to 1000.

Neville's passion for authentic Christ-centred education being the hallmark of Lutheran schooling drew him to the appointment as the inaugural Spiritual Development Facilitator for the Lutheran Schools Association SA/NT/WA in 2007. He served in this role for six years before being appointed as the Assistant Director of Lutheran Education Vic, NSW & Tas.

In 2016, Neville felt the call to once again serve within a school community and was appointed as Principal of Navigator College, Port Lincoln SA, where he served until the end of 2017.

Neville will be remembered for his extensive and intricate knowledge of all facets of Lutheran Education Australia; from the classroom to the boardroom. His ability to articulate and implement a vision for schools and provide inspirational leadership and administration has been critical to the growth of Lutheran education in Australia. Neville demonstrated a passion for spirituality and how this informs what it means to be an authentic Lutheran school. His published works on this continue to challenge and inspire Lutheran leaders and educators.

Neville's passion and commitment to connecting with local congregations and communities ensured that the partnerships between the congregations and associated Lutheran schools continued to thrive. His ability to listen intently and be considerate of other people's perspectives has been greatly admired by all who have worked with him.

Neville's faithful and conscientious service to his Lord and the Lutheran Church of Australia, throughout his service in Lutheran Schools, has been outstanding and is humbly recognised through this award.

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