

December 2019

LEA SERVICE AWARD

Anna Burger

**For services to Lutheran schooling
1984 – 2019**

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

Anna has been involved in Lutheran education since beginning Year 1 in 1964 at St John's – 2 years into its existence. Her father Don Townson was a member of the St John's Lutheran School Council and her mother, Helene, the chair of the P&F. Along with her siblings, Anna has many wonderful memories of her time at school, in particular being captain of 'Blue' house.

After completing her teacher training, she returned to St John's as the Art teacher in 1984, where her artistic creativity and flair shone. Moving to a full-time classroom teaching role in 1998, Anna quickly demonstrated a passion for adjusting the curriculum to fit the needs of all students and their learning styles.

Anna is remembered by many past and present students and families for her tireless efforts to support the children in her class, her patience and genuine love for teaching.

For those who have worked with Anna, she is remembered as a generous and gentle person with boundless energy and creativity. Adults and children throughout the Geelong district and beyond have been blessed in having her loving and guiding hand lead them through their school years.

Anna's faithful and dedicated service to Lutheran education has been outstanding and is humbly recognised through this Award.



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