

December 2020

LEA SERVICE AWARD

Sheena Bienvenue

**For services to Lutheran schooling
1995 – 2020**

The Lutheran Church of Australia thankfully acknowledges the faithful and committed service of Sheena Bienvenue to Lutheran education for almost 25 years.

Sheena Bienvenue commenced her role as a literacy support teacher at Concordia College in July 1995. During her time at the college, Sheena was employed as an english teacher and inclusive learning teacher, displaying the capabilities and characteristics needed to perform this diverse and complex role. Sheena worked closely with the inclusive learning coordinators, offering support and helpful insights.

Sheena's initial employment was also to support ESL and Indigenous students in study skills. During her time at the college Sheena taught english, encouraging a love of reading and developing literacy skills. Through learning support and inclusive learning Sheena worked with innumerable students who appreciated her help with their work and the support she gave them. In many instances her support enabled students to remain at school and experience success. Sheena went out of her way to offer assistance and a safe place for students who, at times, found the routines of school challenging.

Sheena has truly been gentle in manner in her work with these students. We will miss her many contributions.

We wish Sheena God's blessings and the very best for the future.

Sheena's faithful and conscientious service to the Lutheran Church of Australia, through her service in Lutheran education, has been outstanding and is humbly recognised through this Award.

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