

November 2021

**LEA SERVICE AWARD**

*Rachel Boyce*

**For service to Lutheran education  
1994 – 2021**

The Lutheran Church of Australia thankfully acknowledges the faithful and committed service of Rachel Boyce to Lutheran education for 27 years.

Rachel began her service and her teaching career at Yirara College in Alice Springs teaching Physical Education, Mathematics, Health and English as a Second Language. Rachel eventually moved to the position of responsibility as Coordinator of the HPE and Health Faculty as well as being Sports and Extra-Curricular Coordinator.

In 2002, Rachel headed to Crossways Lutheran School, Ceduna, SA, where she worked initially as the Curriculum Coordinator for years R-10, and from 2006 as the SACE Coordinator.

Rachel then joined the teaching staff at Unity College, Murray Bridge, SA, for a short period in 2008, as she coordinated the implementation of the Middle Years Program at the school.

At the end of 2008, Rachel moved to the Northern Territory when she was appointed to the position of Principal at St Andrews in Leanyer, Darwin, before joining the Good Shepherd school community at Howard Springs, initially as a teacher and later as Head of Middle School. In 2014, Rachel became Deputy Principal at Howard Springs and Principal in 2015.

Rachel has also served as a principals' delegate to the Lutheran Church of Australia Convention of Synod in 2018 and has and continues to serve as Chair of the Management Committee of the Association of Independent Schools in the Northern Territory.

Rachel is a unique mix teacher who understands both the curriculum and pastoral needs of students. At her core is her strong faith that clearly guides all that she does. She is always ready to talk with any student, parent or staff member who needs to see her. Rachel has a strong vision of the benefits that a Lutheran education can provide. She has led with and modelled grace in all that she has done, clearly articulating this for the various school communities in which she has been involved.

Rachel has been an outstanding principal who has shown incredible leadership, professionalism, and integrity over the 13 years she has worked at Good Shepherd Lutheran College.

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

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