

December 2018

**LEA SERVICE AWARD**

*Christopher Male*

**For services to Lutheran schooling  
1985 – 2018**

The Lutheran Church of Australia thankfully acknowledges the faithful and committed service of Christopher Male to Lutheran schools for 34 years.

Chris commenced his service in Lutheran schools when he was appointed to the staff at St Peters Lutheran College, Indooroopilly Qld, in 1985 as a teacher of Mathematics. Chris' service at St Peters actually began earlier than his appointment to the teaching staff having been a Boarding Resident Master in two separate stints – 1978-79 and 1981-82. When appointed to the teaching staff in 1985 Chris rejoined the boarding community as Schilling Housemaster where he passionately served and was fiercely loyal to his boys in Schilling House. Chris saw boarding as both a vocation and a mission, and this shaped how he went about his work.

As a teacher of Mathematics, Chris has influenced the lives of thousands of young minds. Over his years of service he has been the Teacher in Charge or the Curriculum Leader of Social Mathematics, which over time morphed into Maths in Society and ultimately Mathematics A. Chris' expertise in this area was recognised with his appointment to various district review panels over the years, ultimately serving as Panel Chair for Mathematics A for the Brisbane Central District.

Beyond the classroom Chris has made a significant contribution to the fabric of the St Peters community. His efforts in the co-curricular program of the college have been substantial having co-ordinated and coached volleyball, as well as coaching softball, badminton and debating during his time at St Peters. He has also played important roles in Herbsfest, Student Christian Fellowship Groups and as Head of Sutherland House.

Chris' sincere and deep Christian faith has been at the heart of all that he has done during his time at St Peters. His faithful service to the Lutheran Church of Australia, through his service at St Peters Lutheran College, has been outstanding and is humbly recognised through this Award.

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