

December 2019

LEA SERVICE AWARD

Ian Taylor

**For services to Lutheran schooling
1989 – 1995 & 2002 – 2019**

The Lutheran Church of Australia thankfully acknowledges the faithful and committed service of Ian Taylor to Lutheran education for a period approaching 24 years.

Ian has loyally and faithfully served St Peters Lutheran College, in two stints: firstly at the college's outdoor education centre 'Ironbark' and then at its Indooroopilly school. During his service Ian has worked as an outdoor educator at Ironbark, and then as sports coordinator, and finally as a teacher of health and physical education at Indooroopilly.

Ian's passion and servant heartedness for St Peters comes through in everything he does. As a teacher through his gentle approach Ian has been loved by the students in his classes. Ian genuinely cares for his students beyond just imparting the HPE course content. He gets to know them, their sporting interests, and their families. He has demonstrated that he is flexible and willing to move with the times, embracing the use of technology in his lessons.

As a colleague Ian does not seek to bring attention to himself. He is quietly spoken, happy to work in the background, always getting the job done. In the staffroom Ian has been a team player and is committed to working with fellow staff to get the best outcomes.

Beyond the classroom Ian has made a significant contribution to the fabric of the St Peters community. His efforts in the sports program of the college have been substantial having been involved in either the coaching or co-ordination of swimming, cross country, water polo and badminton. He has at times also served as the official photographer for the college's sports program.

Ian has seen his time at St Peters as both a vocation and a mission, and this shaped how he went about what he did each and every day, making an impact on all those who came in contact with him. He genuinely loves the college and its community.

Lutheran Education Australia is deeply appreciative of Ian's extended service to St Peters and gives thanks for all that he has done.

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



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