

December 2019

LEA SERVICE AWARD

Janelle Turner

**For services to Lutheran schooling
1975 - 2019**

The Lutheran Church of Australia thankfully acknowledges the faithful and conscientious service of Janelle Turner to Lutheran education for 45 years.

Janelle commenced her service in Lutheran education in 1975 when she was appointed as a classroom teacher at Concordia Lutheran Primary School in Toowoomba. After a leave of absence to have her family, she returned to Concordia until late 2002 serving as the Teacher Librarian and Learning Support Organiser – roles that closely aligned with her love of children's literature and literacy.

Janelle was approached to lead the opening of a new primary school – St James Lutheran College in Hervey Bay and was principal from 2003-2008. Janelle furthered her leadership experience accepting another principal role at Bundaberg in 2009 and then at Peace Lutheran Primary School in 2015.

Janelle is strongly committed to her faith and to the mission and ministry of Lutheran schools. Janelle cares greatly for people, taking the time to quietly reach out with encouragement and support to families or staff in need.

Janelle's faithful and conscientious service to God and to the Lutheran Church of Australia, through her service to Lutheran education, has been outstanding and is humbly recognised through the award.



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