

## LEA SERVICE AWARD

## Gary Evans For service to Lutheran education 1974 – 2021

The Lutheran Church of Australia thankfully acknowledges the faithful and committed service of Gary Evans to Lutheran education for 47 years.

Gary has been part of the St Peters Lutheran College family since 1974, having started at Ironbark to build two dormitories and three residences. Gary's first job at Indooroopilly was to make some alterations to Luther House to allow for the Business Office to relocate from Ross Roy. Gary has most recently held the position of Manager, Works Department.

Gary and family resided on campus for 45 years and his two boys went through St Peters in the early 1980s. His connection with St Peters Lutheran college has been very long and productive.

Meeting the expectations of increasing stakeholder demands, monitoring and watching over a large campus, third party compliance and regulation, taking calls at all hours of the evening and dealing with unforeseen and unexpected events (some of which involve dangerous animals and climate events) have all formed part of the job.

Gary has always maintained his commitment to the role. He has developed unrivalled corporate knowledge. He is passionate with high expectations, has a great sense of humour and is considerate.

During his career Gary has worked with five Heads of College and seven General Managers/Business Managers. Gary's committed approach to the college will be missed but his retirement is very well deserved.

Gary's faithful and dedicated service to Lutheran education has been outstanding and is humbly recognised through this Award.

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