

June 2018

## LEA SERVICE AWARD

## Gillian Roberts

## For services to Lutheran schooling 1989 – 2018

The Lutheran Church of Australia thankfully acknowledges the faithful and committed service of Gillian Roberts to Lutheran education for almost 30 years.

Gill's service to Lutheran education commenced in 1989 when she joined the staff of Trinity Lutheran College in Mildura Vic, formerly known as Holy Trinity Primary School. She has been with the school since it began and served there continuously until her retirement in 2018. She saw the school grow into a combined prep to year 10 college and during her time at the school held several administration positions including principal's assistant, receptionist, registrar, accounts, secretary and Deutschfest coordinator.

Gill supported many principals during their service at the school. She also kept staff on task and made sure everything was completed on time and according to schedule. Gill always knew what was happening with families and staff – be it good or otherwise she would follow up with care and great compassion. She made sure other staff members were kept informed about the college community so they could also show their support for students and their families when it was most needed.

Gill has been a stable and integral part of the college community. She supported the PTFA and the school major fundraising event, Deutschfest, taking the initiative to coordinate the event for many years. Deutschfest has thrived under Gill's confident direction.

Gill knew all the students, past and present, by name. Her memory is astonishing. Gill was a fount of knowledge, a genuine friend to all – staff, students and parents. Always caring and loving, her smile brightened the day for everyone around her.

Gill is a very committed, trusted, loyal and honest staff member, attributes she displayed in all the roles she held at Trinity. Her love and passion for the college was evident in all she undertook.

Gillian's faithful and conscientious service to the Lutheran Church of Australia, through her service at Trinity Lutheran College has been outstanding and is humbly recognised through this Award.

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