

December 2020

LEA SERVICE AWARD

Chris Semmler

**For services to Lutheran schooling
1991 – 2020**

The Lutheran Church of Australia thankfully acknowledges the faithful and committed service of Chris Semmler to Lutheran schools for 28 years.

Chris commenced her service in Lutheran schools in 1991 when she was appointed as a canteen assistant manager alongside Jill Oster and Marlene Kahl. Chris also started the uniform shop.

The St Paul Lutheran School community know Chris as a committed, passionate, caring and dedicated person, with a wonderful ability to know each child and their family by name.

Chris is famous amongst the school community for producing the most delicious snacks. Chris' Wednesday specials have become well known and include cheese and vegemite scrolls, raspberry muffins and pizza subs.

Chris has always been a key figure in the success of many St Paul school events including sausage sizzles at school fetes, dozens of sports days with her tribe of volunteers and grandparents' day where her legendary scones were enjoyed by many.

Chris has also been a parent of the school as mum of Tamra, Kirsty, Jared and Anika and wife to Pastor Mike. More recently she has been the grandmother of Caelen and Schyler too, demonstrating the depth and gravity of her overall journey at St Paul.

Chris' cheerful presence for students, and her experience and attention to detail has been a constant source of joy for generations of students and their families.

Chris's faithful and conscientious service to her Lord and the Lutheran Church of Australia, through her service in Lutheran schools, has been outstanding and is humbly recognised through this Award.

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