

June 2024

**LEA SERVICE AWARD**

*Mal Wegener*

**For service to Lutheran education  
as a Board Member and Chair of Lakeside College  
2006 - 2024**

The Lutheran Church of Australia thankfully acknowledges the faithful and committed service of Mal Wegener to Lutheran education for an additional 18 years above and beyond his previous many years of significant and distinguished service as a Teacher and Principal.

Mal commenced his service at Lakeside College in 2006 when he was appointed to the Council of the College. After five years as a Member, Mal was appointed to the role of Council Chair.

Mal's clear, analytical and strategic thinking, as well as his courage and determination, saw Lakeside College develop into a strong educational institution. His ability to communicate and share his vision clearly articulates his passion for the Christian nature of Lutheran education. Mal's own commitment to his Christian faith and his ability to show this through his decision making and relationships has been a shining example to many people.

Mal's interpersonal skills were apparent throughout his association with Lakeside College. His natural ability to treat people fairly and with justice is to be admired. When working with people, Mal is honest, responsible and empathetic.

Mal will be remembered by his colleagues for his caring support. He was willing to take time out to discuss any issues of concern whenever needed. Mal epitomised true servant leadership and showed genuine interest and concern for the welfare of College leadership and the LEVNT wider network.

Mal's faithful and conscientious service to his Lord and 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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