

2016 ASG National Excellence in Teaching Awards

State and Territory Award Recipient

Heather Cole

Lismore Public School
Lismore, New South Wales

Heather is proud to be part of school community that inspires each student to want to be lifelong learners, and this begins in her kindergarten class, where the focus is on providing a smooth transition to formal education for every child. Technology is a key feature of the classroom, as a resource for students and teachers, and a means of communication between families and staff, a connection considered vital to each child's success in learning.

Heather is a former Reading Recovery teacher and a current teacher of L3 (Language, Literacy, Learning) and TEN (Targeting Early Numeracy), and she works closely with the School Counsellor and Instructional Leader to provide a safe and supportive learning environment for her students. The kindergarten also encourages peer reading and mathematics groups, which provide regular opportunities for the kindergarten students to learn from the primary students.

Heather also works with colleagues in the school to provide music education to a large number of primary students. At Lismore Public School she coordinates and teaches a band program and two choirs. She also provides assistance to an extension band program for high school students who wish to continue with their music.

Position	Other responsibilities	Category	Subjects/level taught	Years teaching
Teacher		Early Childhood		22
Years at this school/centre	School type	Nominated by	Town/suburb	State and postcode
21	Public	Parent	Lismore	NSW, 2480

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