

2016 ASG National Excellence in Teaching Awards

State and Territory Award Recipient

Julie Thompson

Lalor Park Preschool
Lalor Park, New South Wales

Lalor Park Preschool is a not-for-profit community based preschool in Sydney, serving a low socio-economic community demographic. The preschool is an integral part of the local community as it offers an opportunity for children to be part of a high quality, affordable preschool program. It also provides children with a school readiness program, important for families who may not otherwise be able to afford a preschool education in preparation for their child's first year at school.

Julie has been the director of the preschool for 14 years, and remains connected with the daily activities inside the classrooms. She trusts her classroom teachers and provides the training and resources they need to deliver a responsive and innovative program for students.

Julie believes that responsive, enthusiastic and passionate teachers ignite children's interest and enthusiasm for learning, and with this in mind, she also ensures her teachers have the gift of time to plan, think, respond and reflect, which ensures that each child's individual educational needs and learning goals are met.

Position	Other responsibilities	Category	Subjects/level taught	Years teaching
Director		Early Childhood		26
	School type	Nominated by	Town/suburb	State and postcode
14	Public	Parent	Lalor Park	NSW, 2147

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