

# 2016 ASG National Excellence in Teaching Awards

## State and Territory Award Recipient

### Elizabeth Bailey

Mount Isa School of the Air  
Mount Isa, Queensland

Elizabeth first arrived at the Mount Isa School of the Air to complete her country service 20 years ago, and soon realised she had been given an amazing opportunity to diversify her teaching. Her challenging role involves teaching geographically and medically isolated students, some with learning difficulties and disabilities, but it's one she has thrived on.

In this unique teaching environment, Elizabeth and 35 staff members work together to teach 190 isolated students from eKindy to Year 10, including working closely with home tutors and governesses to develop knowledge and skills.

Challenges include poor internet connection, phone difficulties and the impact of devastating drought, but the students' 'can do' attitude has inspired Elizabeth to maintain her own enthusiasm and search for new ways to teach.

Examples of her innovative teaching strategies including developing and delivering interactive and engaging lessons through iConnect web sessions and phone delivery in daily group and individual lesson, implementing the Read It Again FoundationQ! Lessons for literacy in students identified as underperforming, and focusing on differentiating lessons to meet the needs of all students in the class.

Position	Other responsibilities	Category	Subjects/level taught	Years teaching
Teacher		Primary		21
Years at this school/centre	School type	Nominated by	Town/suburb	State and postcode
17	Public	Governess/Home tutor	Mount Isa	QLD, 4825

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