## 2017 ASG National Excellence in Teaching Awards

## State and Territory Award Recipient

## Lei Bao, Primary

Leopold Primary School, Victoria

As a tutor, Lei saw the progress students made and it inspired him to become a teacher. Lei's enthusiasm of teaching is driven by his philosophy that every student, no matter what their background, can perform to their optimal level when they are provided with appropriate challenges in a supportive and individually targeted learning environment.

Lei uses cooperative learning groups and open-ended learning tasks in his maths lessons and provides students with differentiated programs to cater for individual learning needs. He focuses on students' prior knowledge and provides scaffolding questions or prompts to connect students' existing knowledge with the new topic. He also designs numeracy intervention programs for underperforming students.

Lei established a maths club (an accelerating program) during lunch breaks and encourages students to participate in the Australian Mathematics Competition each year.

Lei is planning to undertake a PhD and keen to investigate innovative approaches in maths teaching and learning.

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