

Helen Adams Citation for Fellowship

Helen Adams has been a valued member of the Independent Primary School Heads Association over the past decade.

She has maintained a steadfast commitment to the Association and dedicated an exceptional amount time and energy to our Association and the profession.

She joined the Association after being appointed Head of Primary at St Mary's Anglican Girls' School in 2011. Helen joined the Executive team from 2013 in a variety of capacities including Project Officer, President 2016 – 2018, Treasurer 2020 and is currently President. Helen has organised the Learning Support Network since 2012, organising meetings to provide an opportunity for support teachers to meet and share their knowledge and resources. She was also Girls Sports Coordinator in 2013 until the girls' sports joined IGSSA.

She also supported many activities such as the Ecumenical Service and Speakers' Challenges, whilst running Spelling Bees and the Performing Arts Festival. Helen was invited to be an ITE Panellist through her role in IPSHA.

She commenced her teaching career in 1982 working at Kalgoorlie Central Primary School before moving back to Perth to teach in the state school system. Helen moved into the independent sector in 1987, teaching at St Mark's Anglican Community School, John Septimus Roe, Scotch College and Christ Church Grammar School, where her leadership potential was identified and led to her being appointed Deputy Head of the Preparatory School in 2010. She was then appointed as Head of Junior School at St Mary's Anglican Girls' School in 2011 where she is still.

On a personal level, Helen is a woman of great integrity, wisdom and humour. She is a valued colleague and mentor as part of her commitment to education.

It is with great pleasure that the Independent Primary School Heads Association (WA Branch) nominate Helen Adams for Fellowship Membership.

Wayne Revitt

Head of Penrhos College Junior School

WA Branch Immediate Past President

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