

Citation for Keith Dalleywater
IPSHA Honorary National Life Member

Keith Dalleywater is a respected and accomplished educator who has made a significant contribution to IPSHA at both a State and National level during the 34 years that he has served in the capacity as a Head of School. Keith became a member of IPSHA (then known as JSHAA) in 1990 when he was appointed Head of Junior School at Illawarra Grammar School. In 1999, he was appointed as the Head of the Preparatory School at The King's School, where he served for 13 years. He has subsequently served in a number of schools in NSW and Queensland, including Loquat Valley Anglican School, Brisbane Boys' College and most recently at St. Phillip's Christian College in Port Stephens where he has been the Head of Junior School since 2020. Keith has, at all times throughout his membership, been incredibly highly regarded by his IPSHA colleagues, a mentor and critical friend to new and experienced members alike, and always present, being a regular attendee at termly meetings and conferences.

Throughout Keith's career, his calm and contemplative manner, his willingness to serve in our organisation and his commitment to his role as steward to the students and staff in his care have been exemplified in his leadership. He is a valued colleague and a trusted friend to many. We at IPSHA – in both NSW and Queensland, and Nationally, have been blessed to know and work with a colleague of such intelligence, integrity, and commitment. He is, indeed, a role model for all of us to seek to emulate.

Keith's significant contributions to IPSHA include:

1. Chair of the Academic Portfolio 1996 – 1998
2. President Elect, President and Immediate Past President (NSW) 1996 – 2002
3. Combined Independent Schools Management Committee 2002 – 2006
4. Federal President Elect, Federal President and Federal Immediate Past President 2008 – 2014
5. Principals Australia Institute Representative (NSW) 2008 – 2010
6. Federal Matters (NSW) 2009 - 2012

Keith has been well recognised by his peers for the strength of his leadership. In 2009, he was awarded an IPSHA Fellowship; and in 2021 was recognised by the Teachers' Guild of NSW when he was awarded an Honorary Fellowship.

Keith's enduring support for IPSHA has strengthened our organisation, enriched our understanding of what it means to lead, and expanded our influence in the wider educational community. He leaves a legacy of dedicated service, commitment and wise counsel.

In recognition of Keith's distinguished service to IPSHA, it is my great honour, on behalf of the NSW/ACT Branch, to nominate Keith Dalleywater for Honorary National Life Membership of IPSHA.

Suzanne Floro
NSW/ACT Branch President
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