

Books are no more threatened by Kindle than stairs by elevators. - Stephen Fry



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PTCWA Initiatives

The PTCWA Committee is very pleased to be able to announce a new partner and a new sponsor (Silver) for the Association: Edith Cowan University and Westbooks.

The Committee will continue to work with contacts at the other universities to provide teachers and their associations with opportunities to work with new graduates and experienced educators.

PTCWA Outstanding Professional Teacher Awards

A very successful Awards Night was held at the Karrinyup Country Club on 27 October 2021. The PTCWA Outstanding Professional Teacher Awards celebrate teachers from all sectors and across all levels of education who go that extra mile to work with their teacher associations to provide resources, mentoring and professional learning opportunities for all teachers in Western Australia.

Guest speakers Professor Stephen Winn (Dean of Education, Edith Cowan University) and Chris Callus (President of the national and WA based Australian Association for Religious Educators), tackled the World Teachers Day theme of diversity in education. Chris focused on the grass-roots issues with humour and clarity for what diversity means in local school settings, while Stephen discussed the global issues and what diversity means for new teachers entering the profession.

Awardees for 2021 were:

- Australian Association for Religious Education (AARE) – Mr Mark Staer
- Chinese Language Teachers' Association of WA (CLTAWA) – Miss Jia Liao
- Economics Teachers' Association of WA (ETAWA) – Mr Christopher Stone
- English Teachers' Association of WA (ETAWA) – Miss Claire Jones
- Geographical Association of WA (GAWA) – Ms Anna Griffin
- Japanese Language Teachers' Association of WA (JLTAWA) Mrs Rosanne Jacobs
- Level Three Classroom Teacher Association (L3CTA) – Ms Jessica Wormuth
- WA Education Support Principals and Administrators Association (WAESPAA) – Ms Roslyn Hamling
- Modern Language Teachers' Association of WA Inc. (MLTAWA) – Mrs Susan Croker

- Political and Legal Educators Association of WA (PLEAWA) – Mr Stephen King
- Science Teachers' Association of WA (STAWA) – Ms Larissa Waghorn
- WA Association of Teachers of Italian (WAATI) – Mrs Laura Bava
- WA Institute for Educational Research (WAIER) – Ms Clare McBeath
- WA Modern Greek Language Teachers' Association (WAMGLTA) – Mrs Nina Stamatiou
- WA School Library Association (WASLA) – Ms Rebecca Murray

Director Identification Number (DIN)

The Commonwealth Government passed the Registers Act 2019 on the 22 June 2020. The Act stipulates that all charities with the Australian Charities and Not-for-Profits Commission, including registered Australian bodies such as an incorporated association registered under a State Act, must be registered. This includes incorporated associations established under Australian state or territory legislation or any organisation that is a legal entity and runs using a business structure. There is now a staged process in place to implement the law, beginning on the 31 October 2021.

On further investigation via the Department of Mines, Industry Regulation and Safety, where associations are incorporated in WA, the following advice was received.

It is my understanding that the officers and committee members of state based incorporated associations will not be required to obtain director IDs unless the incorporated association is a registered Australian body that has an Australian Registered Body Number (ARBN). Incorporated Associations that are registerable Australian Bodies will need to obtain the director IDs. - Rebecca White, Business and Systems Improvement Coordinator

Australian Business Registry Services (ABRS)
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The committee will keep members posted as more information becomes available.

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