



AUSTRALIAN AWARDS FOR TEACHING EXCELLENCE

RECOGNISING AND REWARDING EXCELLENCE IN THE TEACHING PROFESSION



Andrew Syme

SCOTCH COLLEGE
WESTERN AUSTRALIA

BEST NATIONAL ACHIEVEMENT
EXCELLENCE BY A PRINCIPAL

A clear vision for world-class learning

Andrew Syme has transformed approaches to learning and teaching at the college. His vision and leadership have achieved true community in the college, with opportunities for leadership by students, staff and parents, and responsibility shared by all.

Andrew's leadership has brought to fruition a clear vision of what it means to be a world-class learning institution in the 21st Century, supporting every student to be the best they can be by creating a community that works together.

He has transformed his school by commissioning and drawing on evidence, entering into partnerships with universities and business, and working collegially with staff to accomplish excellence in the education process and outcomes. Andrew nurtures capacity in staff by providing rich professional development opportunities and empowering leadership. Changes in the traditional structures of the school provide students with opportunities to develop and express leadership skills. A major investment in pastoral care creates a strong platform for teaching and learning.

Recognising the important place of parents within contemporary schools, Andrew has led the establishment of strong networks and greater parental involvement and responsibility. The school now has a culture that values difference and Andrew's vision for an adaptive and inclusive school is being realised.

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