



## AUSTRALIAN AWARDS FOR TEACHING EXCELLENCE

RECOGNISING AND REWARDING EXCELLENCE IN THE TEACHING PROFESSION



*Jane Dobson*

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BEST NATIONAL ACHIEVEMENT  
EXCELLENCE BY A BEGINNING TEACHER

### ***Exciting students' scientific imagination***

*Jane Dobson is a secondary science teacher with a determination to make science inviting and accessible for all students. She lifts students' aspirations, creates opportunities, motivates all around her and engenders success.*

Jane is an exciting and talented new teacher with an exceptionally deep knowledge base in a cross-section of scientific disciplines.

Her innovative, energetic and enthusiastic approach connects her with a wide range of students, gives them a hunger for learning and enlists their participation in pre-tertiary science subjects.

Jane makes a huge investment in her own continuous professional learning, including undertaking research in Antarctica and working with NASA scientists in Australia on the study of Mars. As a genuine scientist, she brings real-life issues and contemporary knowledge and relevance to the classroom.

Jane has an unwavering commitment to achieving the highest outcomes in science for students from low socio-economic backgrounds. Her doctoral studies involve investigating effective teaching strategies to achieve these goals. She is a magnificent mentor for all students interested in science and technology, particularly for girls.

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