



## AUSTRALIAN AWARDS FOR TEACHING EXCELLENCE

RECOGNISING AND REWARDING EXCELLENCE IN THE TEACHING PROFESSION



*Marli van der Merwe*

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HIGHLY COMMENDED  
EXCELLENCE BY A BEGINNING TEACHER

*A pioneer for media studies*

As a first year teacher and the only media specialist at the college, Marli van der Merwe has taken on sole responsibility for developing and implementing programs in media studies, which has become one of the most popular subjects offered.

Her passion and ideas for media studies and her expertise in information technologies enable her to make content relevant and exciting and to utilise digital resources for recording student achievement in all areas of humanities, performing arts and technology.

She generously shares her extensive experience in the media industry with students and staff and opens up new opportunities through her valuable links with local business and international media.

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