



AUSTRALIAN AWARDS FOR TEACHING EXCELLENCE

RECOGNISING AND REWARDING EXCELLENCE IN THE TEACHING PROFESSION



Ruby Toombs

SPRINGVALE SOUTH PRIMARY SCHOOL
VICTORIA

HIGHLY COMMENDED
EXCELLENCE BY A PRINCIPAL

A strong drive for student success

Ruby Toombs has led the development of a rich, inclusive range of educational opportunities, creating a proud ethos within the school's culturally and linguistically diverse community that has inspired all students to achieve their best.

Drawing on her strong knowledge base and research into best practice, Ruby has reduced class sizes, implemented English as an Additional Language/Dialect training for every teacher so that student learning is mainstreamed, and created professional learning teams. She has strengthened parent-school relationships, resulting in greater parent involvement in their children's learning. Student attendance and engagement have improved and learning outcomes are above expectations.

Ruby is an outstanding leader who has a compelling vision with clear achievable goals and the strategies to bring people together to make the vision a reality.

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