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Celebration of Excellence

Friday 28 October 2022 is World Teachers Day and the Professional Teachers' Council New South Wales (PTC NSW) joins the media in the recognition and celebration of our teachers across all sectors and systems in NSW and the teaching profession.

World Teachers' Day acknowledges the professionalism and dedication of teachers and their invaluable contribution to the future of our society through their professional teaching associations.

"World Teachers' Day is an important occasion to recognise and honour the work of all teachers. Teachers tirelessly and selflessly give so much of themselves and their time to students and the community. Many even find more time to volunteer to support their teaching associations," said Karen Yager, President of PTC NSW.

"When we consider the looming teacher shortage and the recent Monash University report on why teachers are leaving the profession, it is imperative that we acknowledge, support and respect the key role they play and their significant contribution to society," Karen said.

In recognition of the outstanding work teachers undertake through their professional teaching associations the Professional Teachers' Council NSW awards the prestigious Outstanding Professional Service Awards (OPSA) as an acknowledgment of excellence in the profession.

The Outstanding Beginning Teacher Award (OBTA) recognises the outstanding professional contribution by an individual committee member (of a Professional Teachers' Association) with five or less years teaching experience in education in NSW.

These awards acknowledge the outstanding professional contribution to education made by teachers through Professional Teaching Associations across all sectors and systems of NSW.

The Professional Teachers' Council NSW is pleased to announce the recipients of the 2022 awards.

2022 - Outstanding Professional Service Award Recipients

Association	Recipient
Australian Council for Health PE and Recreation NSW	Pamela Williams
Careers Advisors Association of NSW & ACT Inc	Linda Drenkhahn
Chinese Language Teachers Association	Maria Xu
Dance educators Professional Association	Ameila Morello
Economics and Business Educators NSW	Wendy Mockler Giles
Economics and Business Educators NSW	Tania White
English Teachers Association NSW	Linda Gratsounas
English Teachers Association NSW	Kate Wilson
English Teachers Association NSW	Nichole Maloy
Geography Teachers Association NSW & ACT	Katerina Stojanovski
Geography Teachers Association NSW & ACT	David Latimer
Information Communication Technology Educators of NSW	Martin Levins
Legal Studies Association NSW	Teresa O'Dwyer
Legal Studies Association NSW	Jennifer Venhuizen

Marine Teachers Association NSW	Lara Pratt
Modern Language Teachers Association NSW	Sophia Higgins
NSW Philosophy In Schools	Gregory Henshaw
NSW Philosophy In Schools	Britta Jensen
Science Teachers Association NSW	Lauren McKnight
Science Teachers Association NSW	Silvia Rudman
Science Teachers Association NSW	Ashley Mulcahy
Society & Culture Association NSW	Amanda Webb
Technology Educators Association NSW	Kelly Evans
The Orff-Schulwerk	Danielle Abbott
Visual Arts & Design Educators Association NSW	Jody Papandrea
Visual Arts & Design Educators Association NSW	Christian Bonett

2022 - Outstanding Beginning Teacher Award Recipients

Association	Recipient
English Teachers Association NSW	Lucy Rose
Information Communication Technology Educators of NSW	Scott Reeves
Visual Arts & Design Educators Association NSW	April Hopson