



St Ives Uniting Church  
**Landmark Services**  
Education Service



**Prof Sharynne McLeod  
& David McLeod**

# Every Child is Special

9.30 am  
Sunday 27 July 2014

St Ives Uniting Church  
Corner of Mona Vale Rd  
& Douglas St, St Ives

Professor Sharynne McLeod (Charles Sturt University) and Mr David McLeod (NSW Department of Education & Communities) will give the address at St Ives Uniting Church's third annual Education Service.

This service is for anyone with a stake in education, which is **everyone** in society!

We will recognise educators of all kinds for their contribution to society, and reflect on the place of faith & learning in life.

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**Professor Sharynne McLeod** BAppSc(SpPath), MAppSc, GradCertUniTchng&Lrng, PhD, CPSP, FSPA, ASHA Fellow

Prof Sharynne McLeod is professor of speech and language acquisition within the School of Teacher Education at Charles Sturt University (CSU), Australia and a key researcher in the Excellence in Early Years Education Collaborative Research Network. She is an Australian Research Council Future Fellow undertaking research to support multilingual children throughout the world (including Vietnam, Fiji, Turkey, Zambia, Hong Kong, Germany, US, and most recently, Iceland). Additionally, she is an elected Fellow of both the American Speech-Language-Hearing Association and Speech Pathology Australia and is the Vice President of the International Clinical Phonetics and Linguistics Association. Prof McLeod's research foregrounds the right of everyone (particularly children) to participate fully in society. She has received Vice Chancellor's teaching excellence awards from The University of Sydney and CSU as well as the CSU Research Higher Degree Supervision Excellence Award in 2010 and 2013. In 2007 she was awarded an Australian Learning and Teaching Council Citation for Outstanding Contributions to Student Learning for her "sustained dedication, innovation and enthusiasm in university teaching that has had local, national and international impact". In addition, Prof McLeod has researched and published in the area of learning and teaching in higher education.

**David McLeod** BMusEd, MEd(CompStud)

Mr David McLeod began teaching as a music teacher at Moorefield Girls High School in Sydney. He has worked in regional high schools and was the head of senior curriculum at Denison College, Bathurst. He is currently Coordinator, Rural and Distance Education Programs at NSW Department of Education & Communities where he is responsible for leading policy & professional development in distance education and isolated school communities. David will speak about the importance of providing quality educational opportunities to families in isolated communities.

