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The national voice of parents of children in Australia's public schools and their school communities

Joan Brown AM



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Past President ACSSO – Life Member

Joan served as ACSSO President from 1978-1981 and is passionate still about public education, the parent voice and ACSSO. Joan continued as a Research Officer for ACSSO until 1994.

When Joan's four children (5 grandchildren) started school, she joined the mothers club, as P&C's were known as in the 70's. She quickly became involved in public education in a state and national capacity.

She was President NSW Federation of School Community Organisations (FOSCO), Co-ordinator NSW Innovations Programme of the Comm. Schools Commission, Research assistant at Deakin University, Chief Exec Aust Centre for Equity through Education (ACEE) and worked with Independent Inquiry into Public Education known as the Vinson Inquiry as Admin and Research Officer.

Joan has a passion for equity and also early childhood and devoted many years as advisor, consultant and presenter to many programs, seminars and events across our nation.

In 1987 Joan was honoured as a Member of the Order of Australia in recognition of service to education.

These days Joan is retired and living in Baulkham Hills NSW with her husband Darcy

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