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CONGRATULATIONS IEU WA ON 50 GOLDEN YEARS!

On behalf of the Federal Executive and the Union's Branches in all other Australian states, our most sincere congratulations and thanks.

Members know that unions both here and internationally have struggled to face the challenges of recent decades. Membership generally has fallen.

The fact is that the WA Branch has not just survived, it has flourished. Recent salary outcomes in the West have help set national benchmarks for teacher salaries and the Union's membership continues to grow.

Clearly, Theresa and her team deserve thanks for their professionalism and commitment. Their representation of Members' interests is not only manifest in WA with engagement and leadership roles on industrial education, professional and superannuation bodies but is also present in the deliberations of the Federal Union's Executive, Council and committee work.

It is also very important to recognise and acknowledge the considerable contribution of past officials who helped establish strong foundations for the Branch.

The role of activists, from those who take on perhaps the most important role as the Delegate through to those who have served on representative bodies of the Union at its Executive, both past and present, a most sincere thanks for your invaluable contribution. The strength of IEU WA is due to your ceaseless and enthusiastic commitment.

We look forward to many more years of growth in the West, the significant contribution that the Branch's representatives make to our national agenda and the continuing development of empowered members in our workplaces.

Chris Watt
Federal Secretary

DON'T LOSE YOUR DOTT

In 2010 Catholic Primary school teachers have an entitlement to 230 minutes DOTT a week, of which a minimum of 200 minutes must be timetabled. The balance is to be banked and used prior to the end of the Semester.

Don't lose your entitlements: if you can't have DOTT because of circumstances outside your control then ask for your DOTT to be banked so you can access it at a later, mutually convenient time.

Theresa Howe
Secretary
5 February 2010



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