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IASL School Librarianship Award

Mrs. Jane Viner has been awarded the IASL School Librarianship Award for her service in the development of International Baccalaureate (IB) school libraries in Australia and the Asia Pacific region.

The award recognises outstanding contributions to the national development of school libraries and services within the recipients own country or internationally. Mrs. Viner has been recognised for her significant achievements in the development of information services and education for teacher librarians in IB schools.

In announcing the award, IASL President James Henri noted that Jane has a range of skills that allow her to provide high quality services to students and staff as well as sharing her expertise with regional, national and international colleagues.

Edward Lawless, Professional Development Manager – IB Asia Pacific, “recognised Jane as a talented advocate for school librarianship” and acknowledged her “invaluable assistance in the strategic planning to address the professional development needs of teacher/librarians in IB schools”.

Mr. Greg Valentine, the IBAP Australasia representative commented that Jane “was instrumental in developing and coordinating IB Librarian networks in Australia, writing IB Librarian newsletters and when IBAP LIS (Library Information Specialists) was formed and she was appointed Chair of that body, contributing significantly to the organisation of the first IB Asia Pacific Information Literacy Conference in March 2007.”

The International Association of School Librarianship, which promotes and administers this award, is committed to enabling young people to develop literary and cultural appreciation and to use information effectively through the improvement of school libraries and school library programs as a vital component of education.

Information about membership and the awards program is available from the IASL Secretariat:

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