

# Carole McDiarmid steps back from Regional Director

After almost 40 years as an educator, Western NSW Regional Director, Carole McDiarmid will soon step back from leading the west's 195 public schools, almost 40,000 students and more than 4000 staff.

Our school has enjoyed a strong working relationship with Mrs McDiarmid during her time as Regional Director.

Mrs McDiarmid has expressed confidence that our school and the others in Western NSW are in a strong position to continue to improve educational outcomes and benefits to students under the guidance of our enthusiastic and dedicated staff and through the combined resources of the public school network.

She said our students are advantaged by the region's widely-recognised leadership in innovation and technology, our public schools' strong commitment to social justice through education and our determination to see better outcomes for all students.

Although Mrs McDiarmid will be stepping back as an educational leader, she still plans to stay involved in schools and has already signed on as a 'reading grandma' at her grandson's school.

Mrs McDiarmid is looking forward to the experience on the 'other side of the desk' and urges other grandparents or parents and community members with some spare time to seek opportunities to engage with their local public schools, regardless of whether they have children or grandchildren there as students. As well as offering a rewarding experience, involvement can bring immense benefits to the students.

