

Past Student Spotlight

Jessie Twidale (2016)

I attended St Patricks Primary School and St George State High School to complete my schooling. I graduated from high school in 2016 as School Captain of St George State High School. My education at St George SHS was amazing with teachers who went above and beyond to support you right up until the last day. There was also the benefit of having small classes in senior years of school where you could work closely with peers and teachers to achieve great success.

After graduation, I went straight into university studies at UniSQ, University of Southern Queensland, Toowoomba Campus, studying a Bachelor of Primary Education. I chose to study online for the duration of my study. This allowed me to work in an education setting at St Patricks Primary School as a teacher aide for five years.

This was beneficial for studies as I could use what I had learnt in the classroom as well as learn from experienced teachers who also taught me as a child.

I was also able to complete all of my placements close to home in Dirranbandi, St George State School and St Pats.

Completing my studies in 2021, I was very fortunate to land a teaching position in a Year 1/2 classroom at St George State School in 2022. I have always dreamed of being a teacher ever since I was a little girl. Being able to instil knowledge into the minds of the next generation has an amazing sense of accomplishment and getting to do it in my hometown makes it even more rewarding. Teaching definitely does come with its challenges, but having the privilege to work in a small school with supportive staff make its so much better.

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