# **Our Staff**

I have been involved with Dubbo Family Day Care since January 1991, originally I worked as a Carer, now referred to as Educators, for 12 years. I then joined the Coordination Unit as a Child Development Officer (Support Coordinator) later becoming the Service Manager in June 2012.

Having worked in these different positions across the organisation I believe I have empathy for the Educators and families as I can relate to many situations that arise. As the Service Manager I strive to have open and transparent communication with all stakeholders to ensure the best outcomes for children within our scheme.

I am very passionate about Family Day Care for both Educators as a great career choice that accommodates their need to work whilst being able to stay at home and raise their own children, and for families as an affordable Child Care choice that allows children to participate in a small group in a homely environment to become the best that they can, whilst ensuring they keep their individuality.

Childcare is becoming a large part of many families' lives and I hope I can ensure you and your children leave our service with positive experiences and fond memories.

I began working in the Early Childhood industry in 2003 in a long day care service. I commenced in my role as a Support Coordinator in 2012. This role has given me a chance to work with and learn from some wonderful Educators who have set up supportive learning environments in their homes.

Family Day Care Educators have a great opportunity to develop amazing relationships with the children and families who use their service. Watching the relationships grow and seeing how well Educators know the children in their care is what I enjoy most.

My career in Early Childhood started in 1983. During this time I have held various roles in the profession before coming to Dubbo Family Day Care first as a Playtime Facilitator and now as my current role as Support Coordinator/Educational Leader.

My role as a Support Coordinator has given me some wonderful experiences working with our Educators and families.



**Chriss Cronin** 

Service Manager

#### **Annie Best**



**Support Coordinator** 

## **Carol Maybury**



Support Coordinator and Educational Leader

After 10 years in my role as a Support Coordinator I have seen many children grow and develop strong relationships in their care services and in the wider Family Day Care community. I have enjoyed many Support Visits with the children in care doing activities, singing songs and reading stories.

It is a privilege to support our registered Educators as they perform the daily care with the children in our service. Sometimes this is through speech screeners or advice with various activities. I look forward to meeting you one day at your Educator's home.

Myra Wells



**Support Coordinator** 

I have been involved with Dubbo Family Day Care for over 10 years. Starting as a parent when my eldest child commenced care with the Scheme in 2006 and then as an employee in 2012 when I commenced my role as Administration Assistant.

Being a parent of children in the Scheme has assisted in my understanding of family day care and the service our Educators provide, which allows me to better assist families with their enquiries regarding care, child care benefit entitlements and other care related questions.

I joined the scheme in 2000 and have had more than 30 years' administrative experience in Local Government.

My role is to process attendance records, maintain records of families and Educators, prepare government returns and other administrative duties that support the Educators and families of the scheme.

Whilst I am familiar with the names of the families in the scheme, I often am not able to match these names to faces - so I enjoy opportunities that allow me to do this.

### Carissa McMullen



**Administration Assistant** 

## **Donna Rees**



**Administration Officer**