This Award is granted annually in honour of Brother John Taylor cfc who was the Executive Director of the Catholic Education Commission NSW, from 1984 until his death in 1993.

The Brother John Taylor Award is awarded to an individual who makes a significant contribution (or who has made such a contribution in the immediate past) to Catholic education in NSW in an educational role, including a key research role. Awardees are judged to have made an outstanding contribution to their education field which has benefited the Catholic education community generally and, through their work, facilitated the work of others in their professional role, and strengthened the ethos of Catholic education.

The 2010 Br John Taylor Award has been won by Barry Bermingham, Additional Needs Consultant of the Lismore Catholic Education Office and Glenn Roff, Principal of St John’s College Woodlawn. Both winners are outstanding success stories in Catholic education in the Diocese of Lismore.

Barry has won this Award because of the leadership he has displayed in his field of assisting special needs students achieve their potential. This is a high priority for Catholic schools and the Bishops. He has developed a new way of looking at funding allocations, programs, enrolments and service provision. He is a significant leader in his field and has influenced Catholic schools administration to further the interests of the most vulnerable of our students.

Mr Barry Bermingham

Glenn has won this Award because of the leadership that he has displayed in his school community and in his previous roles in the Dioceses of Armidale, Bathurst and Canberra/Goulburn. He has built a College culture which is of the highest quality in terms of Catholic teaching, ethical behaviour and academic success. He brings out the best in his students.

At the same time, both awardees have exerted strong influence and leadership among Catholic educators across NSW.

The awards were presented in Lismore by Dr Brian Croke on 27 July 2011. Congratulations to Barry and Glenn.