

Moresland Special School

c. 1933 – c. 1936

Other Names: • Moresland Special School for Retarded Children

Details

Moresland Special School was a private residential school for children with disabilities located at North Springwood during the 1930s. Its principal, Miss Marva Temple, a Catholic teacher who had strong support in local Catholic networks, later founded St Thomas More's School in Linden.

Marva Temple was highly educated and an activist around the education of children thought to be mentally deficient or subnormal. She arrived in Australia around 1928, after pursuing an education overseas. She had a radio programme on 2BL's women's sessions about 'training the child' and dealing with problems such as stammering. She appears to have begun working for Moresland Special School soon afterwards. She left in the mid-1930s to set up St Thomas More's School.

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- [St Thomas More's School \(c. 1936 - c. 1944\)](#)

The Principal of Moresland Special School, Miss Marva Temple, set up St Thomas More's School for Backward Children.

Resources

- [Training the child](#), The Canberra Times, 28 July 1928

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