

Dear parents,

Yesterday your child took home an envelope with their Semester 2 report and their class placement letter inside it. They also had the opportunity to visit their new teacher, classroom and classmates.

Your child has been placed in a class based on teacher information, your child's friendship requests and where possible parent requests. Staff have worked very hard to endeavour to accommodate 153 parent requests, all of which haven't been possible to achieve.

Your child may come home saying they don't have a friend in their new class. Rest assured they are with at least one listed friend. It may not be their number one friend, but sometimes circumstances prevent that. They may also say they are no longer great friends with the friends they are placed with. That shows how quickly friendships can change and how quickly new friendships can develop in a new environment. We have said all term that once classes are finalised we are unable to change them. There really is a domino effect when we try and move just one student. If a request to move one student is made, it may result in a number of students not having a friend in that class.

We have tried very hard to select the best place for your child to be, and we are unable to change children about at this time.

I have worked very closely with our new Principal Yunni Seindanis in regards to staffing for next year. There are still a couple of placements to be made, but I can confirm the following:

Principal - Yunni Seindanis

Teaching and Learning Coordinator - Loretta Robertson

Student Well Being Coordinator - Mark Pannenburg

Room 1 Robyn Averay Year 3

Room 2 David Peterson Year 3

Room 3 Sarah Tuckfield Year 2

Room 4 Jen Robinson Year 2

Room 5 Caroline Swinburne Year 4/5

Room 6 Susanna Makris Year 4/5

Room 7 Jenny Stavropoulos LOTE-Greek

Room 8 Marina Karzis Year 5/6

Room 9 Lauren Chamberlain District Special Class

Room 10..... Maria Nasone Year 5/6

STEM area ... Jenny Ernst JP Science

Room 15 Cassie Tregenza EALD /Words Their Way

Room 16 Laura Blackeby The Arts

Room 20 Jill Annicchiarico R/1

Room 21 Alice Pannenburg Reception

Room 22 Sue Carey R/1

Room 23 Hazel Hayward /Jenny Ernst Year 1

Gym Sam Cater PE

We are hoping that we are able to have Helena Kyriacou back in 2022 but that is currently being processed.

Our Teacher Librarian Georgia Allen is taking a 12 month "sea change" to a school on the West Coast of South Australia, but has a right of return to Torrensville in 2023. Mary Tsokas, after coming out of retirement in 2020 and 2021 to support our EALD students has decided it is definitely time to take it easy. Georgia Hambi, who has also been supporting EALD students (and Room 9 students) has a position at Craigmore High School. Thank you so much to these teachers for your dedication and commitment to our school.

Our Finance Officer Tracy Norris is retiring after being here at Torrensville Primary for over 20 years of fantastic service to our school community. In 2022 our new Finance Officer Michelle Westphalen will commence her time here.

We know our permanent SSOs will continue on in 2022. These are Jen Gibson-Smith, Janine Stattmann, Polia Jackson, Donna Hall, Laura Vinci and Steven Royals will continue here at Torrensville. Funding determines how many hours we have available for our temporary SSOs so we are unsure what we can offer for next year, so we thank Caitlin Brown, Archie Davis, Riley Gibson-Smith and Melissa Birmingham for the wonderful job and difference they have made for the students here at Torrensville.

Our Aboriginal Community Education Officer Elaine Magias, Pastoral Care Worker Nicole Dal Piva, IT technician Don Woodhouse and Grounds person Domenic Albanese are returning in 2022 to continue to do their fantastic job at school.

I retire from the Department for Education after being the Principal at Torrensville for the past 8 years, a principal for 21 years and working in schools for 44 years. It is so wonderful to end a career at Torrensville – such an amazing school and certainly one of the great highlights of my career.

Thank you so much to the staff, students and parents who have made these past 8 years so enjoyable and special. It has been a pleasure to be a member of the Torrensville Primary School community.

All the best, John





Beautiful images from a wonderful celebration of all things TPS!



Thank you to Laura Blackeby for once again pulling together such an amazing event. Thanks also to our community for their patience and cooperation with our COVID regulations. It was a great evening!



Congratulations to our TPS Netballers on a wonderful season!

2021 in Room 5 was awesome because...

- We did a lot of different units of work – Jae
- I was with my friends – Jayke
- I made a lot of new friends – Jack
- We did a lot of fun stuff – Felix
- We got to do work our own way – Seb
- I had lots of fun with my friends – Yussra
- We got to learn about geology – Eli
- Of our teachers – Shashank
- We got to hang out with our friends – Sim
- We got to use the laptops – Robbie
- Everyone was kind and cooperative – Ariane
- The teachers taught us in a really good, structured way – Ava
- We got to learn new ways to do stuff – Vinaya
- We did cool art – Charlee
- We got to use the laptops a lot – Allegra
- I had lots of fun working with my friends – Grace B
- I boosted my learning and I had great friends and teachers – Sofia
- We learnt a lot of different things – Sarah
- All of our work was fun – Eva
- We had good teachers – Star
- We had fun activities – Arkadi
- Because I made some new friends the learning was fun – Henry
- I made lots of new friends and we got to play Minecraft Education – Nicholas
- The teachers were amazing – Emilia
- The teachers were nice – Tamara
- I had lots of fun working with my friends and teachers – Grace W-J
- We got to have laptops to ourselves to share with Room 6 - Harry



Good bye & good luck in your retirement John and Tracy!



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