



# Heights Happenings

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*We would like to acknowledge the Wurundjeri Woi Wurrung people who are the Traditional Custodians of this Land and Waters and pay respect to their Elders past, present and emerging.*



## 2021 Diary

### December

- Tue 7 2022 Class - Meet the Teacher
- Thur 9 Grade 6 Graduation Night
- Mon 13 LT3 Camp Starts
- Wed 15 LT3 Camp returns
- Fri 17 Last Day of Year 1.30pm Finish

## Transition and Orientation

Last Friday, all students completed orientation and transition activities in their new learning teams. According to their responses to a Q & A session led by our School Captains at assembly on Monday, everyone seemed to enjoy this experience and are excited to become acquainted with new friends and explore new opportunities. After a somewhat topsy turvy 2 years I hope we all get to enjoy learning at school with our friends

Next Tuesday, December 7 all students will spend an hour in their new classes, meet their classmates and teachers for 2022. This includes our 2022 preps who will also join us.

## Staffing

As always, at this time of the year we say some farewells as well as introduce some new staff to Ringwood Heights.

At the end of this year, we will be saying a temporary farewell to Mrs Emma Pengelly and Mrs Zena Goodman who are both taking 12 months leave to refresh and follow some personal pursuits. Ms Marley Downey also leaves us to join her partner and to discover what life is like in Darwin.

Joining us, will be Mrs Donna Hey. Donna comes to us from Boronia Heights Primary School and as an experienced Prep teacher will lead this team. Mr Harry Gore who graduates from the Masters of Teaching course at Melbourne University joins us after recently completing a placement working in LT2 this year.

We also welcome Mrs Michelle Freeman to a fulltime role. Mrs Freeman undertook a part time tutor role this year and is really looking forward to taking on her own class.

Below are the specialist and class teachers for 2022

### Specialists

(Performing Arts)	Vicki Cunningham
(Physical Education)	Mrs Amanda Dean
(Auslan)	Mrs Karina Cove
(Library)	Mrs Karen Trease (Mrs Jo Parry & Mrs Cunningham)
(Tutor)	Mrs Alison Harvey

### Learning Team 1 (Prep X 1)

Mrs Donna Hey  
Ms Katherine Butcher & Mr James Lumsden (Support)

### Learning Team 2 (X 4)

Ms Georgia Schumann  
Ms Stephanie Eddington  
Mrs Donna Ramage & Mrs Katherine Butcher  
Mrs Michelle Freeman

### **Learning Team 3 (X 3)**

Mrs Jude Ridley & Mr James Lumsden  
Ms Eliza Wood  
Mr Rob Bennett

### **Learning Team 4 (X 3)**

Ms Jessica Morgan  
Mr Harry Gore  
Mrs Hayley Davison & Mrs Alex Clark

This structure gives us a whole school average of 23 students per class. We continue to accept new enrolments so these figures may alter slightly to begin the New Year.

**Final Assembly** needs to be students and staff only due to the density requirements – specifically mandated for Primary Schools and will occur at an appropriate time during the last day – we will monitor the weather. We will say farewell to our Year 6 students in the usual fashion and to our families who end their association with Ringwood Heights. We will recognize these families in our final newsletter. It is another tough way to finish the year without the coming together of the whole community, something we enjoy and promote, but we will make sure this is a memorable one for our students.

### **Thankyou**

For your generosity of Christmas Gifts for those in need. St Vincent de Paul will be collecting these gifts in the last week.

### **Parking**

I believe the parking officers have been out and about, please make sure you follow any parking rules and ensure you only take up the space you need. In this beautiful weather, a walk from a little further away may help alleviate some of these concerns.

**Kim Bride**  
**Principal**

## **Parents' Club**

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