

NEWSLETTER

Thursday 12th November 2020

KEY REMINDERS

- * All updates will be sent on Xuno.
- * Please send water bottles as students cannot drink straight from taps.
- * All students must have a sunsmart hat for Term 4.
- * Please return all school resources and borrowed devices as soon as possible.

DATES TO REMEMBER

Thursday 10th December

Virtual Spanish Dining Experience 6pm

Friday 11th December

Festive Concert – students only (during the day)

Friday 11th December

Student reports sent home on Xuno

Tuesday 15th December

Grade 6 Graduation

Friday 18th December

Last day of Term 4 – 1:30pm dismissal

Thursday 28th January

First Day of School Celebration

Friday 29th January

Curriculum Day – No School

Principal

David Cocks

School Council President

Sarah Weston

School Supervision Times

8.40am - 9.00am
3.15pm - 3.30pm

'We are a child safe school and compliant with child safety standards. Child safety policies available on website.'



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Dear Parents and Carers,

Important reminder: All students need to have a sunsmart hat and a water bottle.

David's Message

In the past few weeks I have had so many questions from students about me and my family, so I thought I would share some interesting and important facts!

I have a dog called Titan – he is a deerhound cross and very cuddly. Titan is 10 years old on Monday, so I need to buy him a treat or two this weekend. Titan came to our family when he was a puppy and we lived in Cairns in Queensland. He was a rescue dog from the RSCPA and had lost his home after Cyclone Yasi.



I have a four year old daughter, Maia, and a 8 week old son, Teo. Maia absolutely loves being a big sister and making her baby brother smile. We are all looking forward to the school holidays so we can spend time together, especially our favourite activities – going to Melbourne Zoo and the Royal Botanic Gardens Victoria.

I have one brother and two sisters. My siblings all live in the UK and I love going back to visit them. We tend to be silly with each other, tell jokes and eat lots of yummy food that my mum cooks for us. Between us we have six children of our own, so my mum gets to spend lots of time with her grandchildren.





I was born in the UK (41 years ago!) but I became an Australian Citizen in 2015. I've lived in Australia since 2010, first of all in Cairns in Queensland, and then in Darwin in the Northern Territory. I moved with my family (and Titan) to Melbourne in April 2018 and love it here. The best thing about Melbourne, apart from all the great things to do, is definitely Sunshine Heights Primary School. I love it here already and love how excited you have all been to welcome me.



If you haven't said hello yet, I'm really excited to speak with you so you can tell me all about you and your family!

Best wishes,

David
Principal

School Staffing

We have completed our school staffing for 2021 for classroom teacher positions, our Assistant Principal Role and for our Acting Lead Teacher Welfare and Community. We are pleased to announce that Elena Dierickx, Daniela Cami, Michelle Rangott, Dragan Gavrovski, Chau Nguyen and Cameron Vella will all be continuing with our school in 2021 as classroom teachers. We are also very excited to announce that Anthony Atkinson will be joining our school from Merri Creek Primary School as our new Assistant Principal. He is very much looking forward to meeting the students, teachers and parents and has a very strong commitment to our community. Finally, we are able to announce that Francine Scully will be taking up a position as the Lead Teacher for Welfare and Community. This is a great opportunity for Francine to continue the amazing work of Sharon Noel who is currently on leave, but still very much connected in with us during 2021. Aasta Dearnaley will be continuing to bring excellence to our Art program and our whole staff team are excited about 2021.

We have created a 2021 Prep Orientation website that contains important information relating to your child starting school, including important dates and meeting our teachers. Please read over each section to help you understand more about your child starting school.

Website link: <https://sunshineheightsps.wixsite.com/mysite>