



# Congratulations!

CLASS OF 2023

Our Year 6 Graduation Ceremony was held on Tuesday the 12th of December.

It was wonderful to hear the amazing speeches that each graduate presented.



The staff are very proud of the graduates and we are sure their parents are too.

We wish our Year 6 graduates a wonderful journey to high school and all the very best for their futures.



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# PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

Dear Parents,

It is hard to believe that a whole school year has gone by already. I have enjoyed my first year at East Torrens PS, getting to know all of the delightful students and families and sharing in the learning journey of the students. I want to thank our fabulous teachers and SSOs who support the learning and social development of our students.

With the end of the school year, we farewell some of our teachers who are moving on to new opportunities next year. We farewell Penny Kavuki, Chamila Chandrasena, Joanna Kontos, Athan Markos, Rebecca Graves, Thomas Earley, Maria Grande, Tripti Dey, Merridy Jamieson-Rokobaro, and Lynda Plumber. Di Tyney has been a staff member at ETPS for many years and this year worked one day a week in H22. While she will not be returning in that role in 2024, we will keep seeing Di in the role of relief teacher in the Henry classes. Suzi Vladimirov has worked for the Department for Education for over 40 years. She leaves us at the end of the year to move into retirement and the next phase of her life. We thank all of these teachers for the contribution that they have made to East Torrens PS and wish them all the best with their future endeavours.



On Tuesday night our year 6 students were acknowledged at their graduation ceremony. Listening to the confident way they spoke and their reflections on their time at East Torrens PS made us all very proud. We thank them for their contribution to the school and wish them well for their transition to high school.

Each year the Hartley Medal is awarded to a year 6 student who is a conscientious student, contributes positively to the school and demonstrates academic achievement. This year, the award recipient was Peter Pham who was presented with a certificate and trophy by the Honourable Vincent Tarzia MP Member for Hartley.

**Reminder:**

**Friday 15th December is the last day of the school year with the students leaving at 2pm.**

**School recommences on Monday 29th January 2024 at 8:40am.**

From the staff of East Torrens PS, we wish you a happy and safe holiday season and a restful break for the students.

Regards,

*Lynette Simons*





## Term 4 Calendar

	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI
	16/10/23	17/10/23	18/10/23	19/10/23	20/10/23
WK 1	Start of Term 4				
	23/10/23	24/10/23	25/10/23	26/10/23	27/10/23
WK 2		Bike Education Years 4/5			School Assembly  World Teacher's Day
	30/10/23	31/10/23	1/11/23	2/11/23	3/11/23
WK 3		Governing Council MTG 6.00 pm  Bike Education Years 4/5			
	6/11/23	7/11/23	8/11/23	9/11/23	10/11/23
WK 4	<b>PUPIL FREE DAY</b> <b>OSHC available</b>	Bike Education Years 4/5		Safety Matters Workshop Years R-2 Friendship Matters Workshop Years 3-6	School Assembly
	13/11/23	14/11/23	15/11/23	16/11/23	17/11/23
WK 5		Bike Education Years 4/5	Reception Transition Visit 9-10 am	Principal School Tour 10.00 am  IELC Cricket Program	
	20/11/23	21/11/23	22/11/23	23/11/23	24/11/23
WK 6		Bike Education Years 4/5	Reception Transition Visit 9-11 am	IELC Cricket Program	School Assembly
	27/11/23	28/11/23	29/11/23	30/11/23	1/12/23
WK 7		Bike Education Years 4/5	Reception Transition Visit 9 am -12 pm	Year 6 Aquatics  IELC Cricket Program	Year 6 Aquatics
	4/12/23	5/12/23	6/12/23	7/12/23	8/12/23
WK 8		Governing Council MTG 6.00 pm		IELC Cricket Program	School Assembly
	11/12/23	12/12/23	13/12/23	14/12/23	15/12/23
WK 9		Year 6 Graduation 6.00 pm			End of Term 4 Early Dismissal 2.00 pm
	18/12/23	19/12/23	20/12/23	21/12/23	22/12/23
WK 10	----- CHRISTMAS & SUMMER HOLIDAYS -----				



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# WELLBEING NEWS

Dear Families,

I can not believe we are at the end of the year already however at the same time it has been a very busy year. There have been so many wonderful moments throughout the year and I have been so lucky to connect with so many families. Working with the students at ETPS is so rewarding and every day is different. Being part of whole school events has been a great way to build connections with all classes and I look forward continuing this next year. Lots of new ideas for the world of wellbeing and The NEST. Stay tuned.

As we head into the Festive time of year it is important that we all take some time out to recharge the batteries and do something that makes us smile. Your children have worked hard this year and have deserved a well earned break. Some families will be heading on a family holiday, some overseas to see family, others may be just stopping to take a big breathe. Some families will be lucky to be home with their families for the break, others will be working through. What ever you may be doing I hope that you have a wonderful Christmas and a safe Summer.

I look forward to seeing you in the new year and working with our amazing students.



Merry Christmas  
and  
Happy New Year  
from my family  
to yours.  
Mrs Piro

# Intensive English Language Program (IELP) News

Dear Families,

It's hard believe how fast time passes, another year gone by.

As we say goodbye to our IELP teachers and BSSOs who are moving on, we want to express our gratitude for their hard work and support to our students and their families. Wishing you nothing but the very best in all that lies ahead.



We are thrilled to announce that a significant number of our students will be transitioning into mainstream education next year. We have no doubt that they will continue to thrive and achieve great success in their learning journey.

Congratulations to the following students for their achievements in learning English:

Kind regards,

## Reception (M10)

Virginia Wong

Marcus H      Kyra V  
Yana Y      Tiam G  
Marci M      Amy Z  
Rylie O      Enzo N

## Year 1/2 (M7)

Tripti Dey

Terence Z  
Yu Hong T  
Sirvan K  
Leonid G

## Year 3/4 (M9A)

Merridy Rokobaro

Ephrem B

## Reception/Year 1 (M8)

Joanna Kontos

Rian P  
Lucien Q  
Malu N

## Year 2/3 (M6A)

Chamila Chandresena

## Year 5 (M6)

Ravinder Kaur

Palvi T  
Amir N

## Year 1 (M9)

Athan Markos

## Year 3/4 (M3A)

Rebecca Graves

## Year 5/6 (M5)

Rachel Colquhoun  
Kathy Papas

Olivia Q      Artur M  
Eason C      Aisha A  
Sophia S      Therese B

Varsha S      Eason L  
Alodia A      Tyma N  
Eason Q      Krishna S

Yuyi Z      Joshua B  
Chu P      Ella Y  
Simarjeet      Serena X  
Martin L      Evan B  
Phillip L      Pritish A  
Manraj H      Matt T



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## Finance Matters



### School fees OVERDUE !!

Dear Parent/Caregiver,

**Please make any outstanding payments  
as soon as possible**

OR

Contact the Business Manager As soon as  
possible on **83371411** or email  
[dl.0971.finance@schools.sa.edu.au](mailto:dl.0971.finance@schools.sa.edu.au)  
if you require assistance.

Kind regards,  
Kavita Mer  
Business Manager

**School Card is not an automatic process  
and a new application is required every year.**

Keep an eye on the website below for when 2024 applications are up online  
(usually about the middle of January).

If you are eligible, you can complete and submit online  
as soon as it is on the website

[sa.gov.au/education/schoolcard](https://sa.gov.au/education/schoolcard)

to complete the online School Card application

**Just a friendly reminder:**

**The Robson car park is only  
for families that have a  
parking permit.**



**Please do not park in either of  
the car parks.**

**Many thanks!**



School commences next year on

**Monday 29<sup>th</sup> January 2024**

### 2024 Uniform Purchases

Uniforms can be purchased from the Front Office from

Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> January – 9am – 3pm

Tuesday 23<sup>rd</sup> January – 9am – 3pm

Wednesday 24<sup>th</sup> January – 9am – 3pm

*Uniform Shop hours during 2024*



OPEN

Tuesday 8.30 - 9.30 am

Thursday 2.00 - 3.00 pm



## Swap & Share



### Second Hand Uniforms



Bring in your old school uniforms to  
**swap** with other second-hand sizes.



And, if you don't need your uniforms  
any longer, donate them to be **shared**.



If you would like a second hand  
uniform and you don't have any old  
uniforms to swap, then you can  
**donate a gold coin** instead.



The Swap & Share will be  
operating out of

**The Nest on Thursday afternoons  
between 2:00 pm - 3:00 pm.**



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Did you know we have a  facebook group?

The group is private to accepted members only.

(Acceptance to the group is determined by the relationship that the person requesting to join has to our school).

The group is for sharing information and images from various events and general happenings at East Torrens Primary School.



If you would like to join, please search for East Torrens Primary School group, request to join and answer the required questions, making sure you include your child's name in question 2.

**Please note the group is not a primary method of distributing important information; this will continue via the Audiri App.**

 **Entertainment**

East Torrens Primary School is pleased to be promoting the Entertainment Memberships as a fundraiser.

Support our fundraising and enjoy 100s of everyday savings!

Entertainment is an easy-to-use App packed with incredible savings of up to 50% off and 2-for-1 offers, so you can save on takeaway, dining, shopping, groceries, gift cards, activities and more!

And what's even better, 20% of every Entertainment Membership purchased goes to support East Torrens Primary School!



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