

Cambridge Gardens Public School

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Dear Parents,

Welcome back!

I hope you have enjoyed an amazing Christmas, New Year and holidays. Every child I have spoken to has had wonderful stories of overseas trips, heading to Tasmania, NSW beaches, those wonderful Worlds as well as great local fun!

It has been an extremely difficult commencement of the year for our school with uncertainty around the number of classes we can form, a number of last minute staff acquisitions, as well as electrical issues making half our classrooms unusable. Many decisions regarding staffing, classes and classrooms were still being made throughout Monday and Tuesday as approvals were gained. This has made it impossible to provide accurate and early information. Our school has not been in this situation for a number of years. That being said, we had a great day! As always I marvel at our staff for their flexibility. Well done! We are expecting our electricity to be restored in the next day or two. Some classes will be working in different locations throughout the week.

All students yesterday went into their previous classes. This allowed us to ascertain the number of children we have, in order to form classes. Our numbers have been hovering between 397 and 404 which is the difference between 15 and 16 classes. Once we had an understanding of our absence level, we decided to form 16 classes and moved children into those classes. You will have received today an email with a letter from your child's teacher at this stage as well your child being given this in a hard copy to bring home. **Please note, we are still very unsure of if we will need to move to 15 classes. This cannot be finalized until after all Kindergarten students commence full enrolment which is not till next Monday, February 6. We will keep you updated.**

This year our class names are based on History. It will be exciting to learn about the origins of the class names throughout the year. This year as a school community our theme will be around the question, Are you being kind? We will be reflecting on this with students, staff and parents.

Below are our current class structures. If you need to discuss your child, please contact firstly the class teacher and then the Stage Assistant Principal.

<u>Early Stage 1</u>	Assistant Principal	Mrs. Rose Antonelli
Class SAXON	Kindergarten	Mrs. Noelle Stoeckl
Class TRIASSIC	Kindergarten	Mr. William Tate



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<u>Stage 1</u>	Assistant Principal	Miss Alanna Vella
Class Aztec	Year 1	Miss Zoe Apap
Class Apollo	Year 1	Miss Alannah Antonelli
Class Waterloo	Year 1	Mrs. Wendy Wright
Class Vikings	Year 2	Miss Alanna Vella
Class Pompeii	Year 2	Mrs. Alison Patrick
<u>Stage 2</u>	Assistant Principal	Mrs. Casey Hetherington
Class Byzantine	Year 3	Mr. Matthew Burke
Class Babylon	Year 3	Miss Barbagallo
Class Willandra	Year 4	Mr. Whiteside (Mon-Tues Thurs-Fri) Mrs. Laura Williams (Wed)
Class Renaissance	Year 4	Mrs. Ruth Rau (Mon-Thurs) Mrs. Laura Williams (Fri)
<u>Stage 3</u>	Assistant Principal	Mr. Beau Hunter
Class Krakatoa	Year 4/5	Mr. James Kristof
Class Neolithic	Year 5	Mrs. Felicity Nelson (On Leave until Mon Feb 27) Miss Emilia Wynn (Class Teacher until Fri Feb 24)
Class Humanity	Year 5/6	Mrs. Alexis Hiser-Smith
Class Dynasty	Year 6	Mr. Jeremy Dearie
Class Holocene	Year 6	Mr. Beau Hunter

Once class locations are finalised following the electrical repairs, we will send out a map of locations. Parents are most welcome to come on up to the classrooms with their child following afternoon dismissal. Best part was every child I spoke to, told me they love their teacher and had a great day! Always remember that there will be a settling period as new friendships and relationships are formed within classes.

Be kind, and have a great day!
Adam Wynn
Principal
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