

TRINITY GARDENS SCHOOL

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For those who don't know me, my name is Karen Muller and I have had the privilege of being the Governing Council Chairperson for Trinity Gardens School in 2023. Wow, we have certainly had a fantastic year. It was great to be able to get through the whole school year without any restrictions around parents being on school grounds and we certainly seem to be regaining that real sense of school community.

We had a fantastic start to the year, welcoming two new groups of children into the ELC, three new classes of mainstream Reception students into Wellington and a new class of Steiner students into the Cottage. 2023 also saw the first mid-year intake of students into the kindy, with 2024 set to see the first mid-year intake of Reception students. Thank you to all of the early years teachers in the ELC and Reception classes for navigating what this transition looks like for our site.

We also had an enthusiastic group of student leaders again this year, through the SRC and the Year 6 leaders. They work tirelessly throughout the year, helping to run assemblies, stalls at the after school market, and even helping Mr Conradi to run school tours for new families looking to join our community. Thank you to all of those students who have stepped up into the leadership roles this year.

We were also able to see the return of a number of highly popular events to the school calendar again this year, including (but not limited to) Steiner Seasonal Festivals, Book Week Parade, Colour Run, Sports Day, After School Markets, School Disco and the Quiz Night. A huge thank you to all of the staff and parent volunteers who make these events possible.

With all of that said, there are three major highlights for me for 2023. The first is the completion of the new build and watching this being used and loved by the senior classes. The completion of this project with the fences finally coming down at the end of term 3 has sent a buzz around the school community. The second was the completion of the new classroom area for the St Morris Unit, allowing us to welcome more students into the unit, which has been fantastic to see. The last major highlight was the launch of the Stephanie Alexander Kitchen Garden program. The School Community Committee has been fundraising towards this project for a number of years, and to see it finally come to fruition and have students actually start using it and learning to cook and grow the food has been a true milestone for me.

We are all looking forward to the end of year festivities, with the transition sessions for the 2024 ELC and Reception classes starting soon, followed by the End of Year School Concert and Year 6 Graduation.

Well done to Trinity Gardens students for all the hard work they have put in throughout the year. Good luck to the Year 6s who will be graduating and heading off to high school next year and welcome to the new families who will be joining the Trinity Gardens School community in 2024.

Thank you to the leadership team, teachers, support and admin staff who make this such a wonderful school for our students. I hope everyone has a wonderful break over the summer, and I look forward to what 2024 will bring!

Warm regards,

Karen Muller, *Chair of Governing Council 2023*