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Teaching Staff Updates for 2021

Dear Parents and Caregivers,

CCSC continues to grow further into 2021. As part of this continued growth, 2021 will bring some staffing changes across the College. We felt it important to inform parents of some of these exciting movements and new additions to the CCSC team.

Due to our continued growth, the College will be split into three main sections; Junior College (K-2), Middle College (3-8), and Senior College (9-12). Alison Hosgood will be officially taking on the position of Head of Junior College, Damian Mitchell will be Head of the Middle College and Sally Bennellick remaining Head of Senior College.

Junior College - Kindergarten - Year 2

Alison Hosgood will be moving into a part time teaching position as well as our official Head of Junior College.

We will sadly say goodbye to Laura Aspinall at the end of this term as she has secured a new position at Central Coast Grammar School and we wish her the best for 2021. In an ideal world teachers would stay with their original classes as long as we can, however, at times we may need to move a teacher to a different group to ensure we can meet the needs of all students and provide appropriate support in place for new staff to the team. We have also worked hard to ensure there is a gender balance where possible so that students and the parts of the college have a mix of both female and male adults supporting our students. With this in mind we have made some adjustments to our staffing in 2021 for the K-2 team and we are happy to make the following announcements:

Kindergarten Teachers 2021

- Heidi Clark (will hand her current kindy class over to Isaac Henderson and take on a new Kindy class for 2021)
- Matt Johnston (new staff member who has been working at the college since the start of Term 4)

Heidi and Matt have been attending the Pre-Kindergarten Club (PKC) transition days.

Year One Teachers 2021

- Emma Frost
- Isaac Henderson (new staff member)

Emma will continue with her current homeroom group with the plan to take them through until 2022. Isaac will be joining us from another local independent school and will take on Heidi's current homeroom group with the intention to continue with that group until the end of 2022.

Year Two Teachers 2021

- Hayley Greenstreet
- Abbey Coonan

Hayley and Abbey will continue with their classes into the new year having been with them since Kindergarten. Hayley and Abbey will be preparing our year 2 during 2021 for the transition into year 3 where they will most likely have new teachers for 2022.

Middle College - Years 3 - 8

Our Middle College will continue to be led by our Head of Middle College Damian Mitchell.

Unfortunately, we recently received news that Alexandra Gordon will be moving on from CCSC at the end of this year. Alexandra has secured a new teaching position in a school in Sydney and we thank her for her contribution to the College in 2020. Allie, as she is known by many, will be missed. I am also saddened to share that Sally Jones has also made the tough decision to not return in 2021. Sally is looking to potentially relocate to Newcastle in the new year and we do wish her the best in her future endeavours and there will be a number of sad students at school when they hear this news.

Another change in staffing for the Middle College will see Katya Wengi join our Wellness Team for 2021. Katya has a vast experience with working with students who need additional social and emotional support and will be a great addition to the wellness team.

There will be some minor adjustments to some students as well as a number of new students starting at CCSC. We have been overwhelmed with demand during 2020 and will be starting 2021 with the majority of all classes from K-8 being full with waiting lists. We will have two classes from K-6 and three classes from 7-12 in 2021 with the expectation to cap numbers at these levels for the short term future.

Our teachers for the new year and the classes they will be teaching are below:

Year 3 - Alison Hosgood & Brittaney Proctor (Brit is returning from maternity leave on a part time basis and Alison and Brittaney will co-teach Alison's current year 2 class as they start year 3)

Year 3 - Luck Mack (new staff member who has been on site for most of term 4)

Year 4 - Bryce Holland

Year 4 - Montana Smith (Anna has been working with us for some time as a casual teacher, she will take on the majority of Alexandra's home room including a number of new students)

Year 5 - Amanda Seage

Year 5 - David Benson (New staff member)

Year 6 - Jackson Steinbeck

Year 6 - Laura Carey (New staff member)

Year 7 - Ben Flakus (New staff member)

Year 7 - Carolynn Winniger

Year 7 - Alice Fenton (New staff member)

Year 8 - Jed Palmer

Year 8 - Blair Cunningham

Year 8 - Luke Drummond

Ingrid Oliver will continue to work within the Middle College team as a permanent cover staff member and will work throughout the whole K-12 school in 2021.

Tim Walsh will also return to the classroom part time and will be leading a literacy and numeracy group as well as continuing to lead our Leader in Me program within the College.

Senior College - Years 9 - 12

The Senior College will continue to be led by Sally Bennellick as our Head of Senior College. As has previously been communicated to the year 9 parents, Natalie Benton will be taking on the Head of Wellness position due to Laura Croucher taking maternity leave.

Year 9 - Gamal Strik

Year 9 - Richard Moolman

Year 9 - Thomas Hughes

Year 10 - Matt Hanlon

Year 10 - Sam Whitehouse

Year 10 - Jade Giusti

Year 11 - Tim McBride

Year 11 - Suzanne Durick

Year 11 - Grant Arthur

Year 12 - Justin Sheppard

Year 12 - Cameron Moon

Year 12 - Lorraine Hawdon (overseeing HSC)

We are very much looking forward to the new year and look forward to welcoming our new teachers to the CCSC family. If you have any questions please feel free to email through and we will get back to you as quickly as we can. An update with respect to our sports program and our Wellness team for 2021 will be sent out next week.

Kind Regards

Paul Chapman

Principal