

## Provisieur's P.& C. Report

School year 2018

February 2018

A good beginning for this new school year, particularly thanks all the preparation work done by the administrative staff. It was not easy with the new system in place for attendances and reports called S.A.S; but everything is now settling down.

### Student matters

We are recording a growing number of our students.

In total, in the end of last week, 1417 students at TPS.

Our binational stream headcount can be summarised at this time of the year, as follows:

| Fr. Grade/ Aus. Grade                     | Number of students<br>FEBRUARY 2018 |
|---|-------------------------------------|
| GS/Kindy (4 classes)                      | 83                                  |
| CP/Year 1 (4)                             | 89                                  |
| CE1/Year 2 (4)                            | 81                                  |
| CE2/Year 3 (4)                            | 86                                  |
| CM1/Year 4 (3)                            | 84                                  |
| CM2/Year 5 (3)                            | 67                                  |
| 6 <sup>e</sup> /Year 6 (3)                | 68                                  |
| <b>TOTAL Primary</b>                      | <b>558</b>                          |
| 5 <sup>e</sup> /Year 7 (2 classes)        | 60                                  |
| 4 <sup>e</sup> /Year 8 (2)                | 45                                  |
| 3 <sup>ème</sup> /Year 9 (2)              | 41                                  |
| 2 <sup>nde</sup> /Year 10 (1)             | 25                                  |
| <b>Total Secondary TPS</b>                | <b>171</b>                          |
| <b>Total Fr./Aus. Stream (32 classes)</b> | <b>729</b>                          |
| 1 <sup>ère</sup> /Year 11 (1) NARC        | 22                                  |
| Tale/Year 12 (1) NARC                     | 23                                  |
| <b>Total LFAC</b>                         | <b>774</b>                          |

In three years, a growth of 13% for the EFS stream.

Special organisations have been established to support this growth and maintain good work conditions for our students:

- A class in Primary with Y4 and Y5 students in order to reduce the number of students in each class of Y4
- Each EFS Y7 class split in two groups on the Science lines
- An additional hour in French language for EFS Y7, during enrichment time- terms 2, 3 and 4,
- Technology taught all year, for students in 3ème, during enrichment time, in order to well prepare the students for paper based science exam of the Brevet.

Thank you to all the school staff to support those new measures.

So we dealt with the growing of Teloepa park/ Lycée franco-australien de Canberra. A reflexion has to be launched for better dealing this situation in the future, even if we have, this year, two new portables and an additional science lab.

This also means that there is now, more than ever, a need for financial support from our community. The financial contribution requested from parents is a vital element not only to maintain the exceptional quality of this unique programme but also to build together the “lycée franco-australien” of tomorrow.

We shall need to think and find more permanent solutions.

### **French examinations and assessments**

All the Y9, Y11 and Y12 students are now registered for exams in June.

Both of the Brevet and French Bacallaureate exams will take place in June 2018

Week 8, term 2: Final exams of the French bacallaureate for our EFS Y12 students in Sydney

Same week, preliminary Bacallaureate examinations in French (written and oral) for all Y11 classes and Science for literary students, in Canberra.

Beginning of week 9, paper based exams for the Brevet, in Canberra with an oral exam during week 6, Term 2.

Costs linked to the preparation of the examinations for 2018 will be:

100 dollars for Brevet

1000 dollars for examination fees of the Bacallaureat.

### Conseils de classe

I shall also mention that from this school year, all Secondary classes included Y6, will have 3 “conseils de classe” during the school year and from now on, all lines will be present on the

### Language examinations

Our students will again sit for two language certifications: The DELF (Diplôme d’Etude en Langue Française) and the Cambridge examination.

Getting these two diplomas will help our students in their future studies and in their professional life.

We shall organise two sessions for the Cambridge language examination in Canberra: one in March and a second one, in October.

### **Staffing**

37 colleagues work in the binational stream.

|                | Number | status               | recruitment     | Paid by               |
|----------------|--------|----------------------|-----------------|-----------------------|
| Primary        | 20     | Local-<br>detachment | Local           | Australia - ED<br>ACT |
| Secondary      | 14     |                      |                 |                       |
| Administration | 2      | Local                |                 |                       |
| Secondary      | 1      | expatriate           | AEFE-MAE France |                       |

We welcomed 4 new French teachers: Mrs RUFFLET in KG, Mrs CORNOLTI for a Physics, Chemistry position, Mrs Cecile MAROT, part-time teacher for Science in Y6 and Maths in Y7 and Mr GRUNDLER who is replacing in Biology, Mrs LE NEVEZ.

3 positions have had been put on line for a position in Primary, a position for Maths in the Secondary and an executive position in History-Geography and the French bac coordination in Narrabundah.

We will gather the adequate committee, next week, on 22 February.

### **Commitment of the French Agency for French Education Abroad (AEFE)**

I mentioned in other reports the training session organised in Asia Pacific area and 4 EFS teachers participated in November. One more will go soon.

And we shall welcome in Canberra and in May, a training session for 20 teachers of the Australian bilingual school, about building effective bilingual lessons. This session will be led by expert teachers, members of the AEFE network.

On 13 February, we met in Brisbane with other Australian principals and teachers, M. Christophe BOUCHARD, Director of AEFÉ, who confirmed the support of AEFÉ for AAFÉBS schools which are now 14, with a new school member from Toowoomba-QLD- and a new school member in Perth.

### **School important projects with both streams**

- Francophonie Week -17/25 march 2018

The French Embassy is leading the celebrations of the French Language, with competitions organized for Primary: presentation of a French speaking country.

A competition for Secondary called "Tell me ten words".

- Telopea Park School, part of the commemorations of the end of WWI.
- Initiation of a partnership with a French high school in Péronne, Northern France, to celebrate the centenary of the end of WWI and for after.
- *Special call for host families, with the P&C support.*

*From 16 to 24 March 2018, Telopea Park School will welcome 41 Y10 students from the French International School G. Pompidou of Dubai- United Arab Emirates-, which is one of the biggest AEFÉ schools. Those students will stay in Canberra, according to the organization of their trip, to study the role of Australia in WWI, urban planning of the city and sustainable development.*

*To taste and share the Australian way of life, these Y10 students who are perfectly bilingual (French-English) need to be hosted in our students' families (1 or 2 students per family). If you are able and interested to accommodate students, please send us a email before February 24th, at [valerie.cretegny@ed.act.edu.au](mailto:valerie.cretegny@ed.act.edu.au). For more information, please contact us by mail or phone.*

*Thank you in advance for P&C support.*

### **Prospects for the Future**

The strategic plan 2018-2021 to be finalised according to the Australian and French recommendations with concrete and accessible actions.

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February 14<sup>th</sup> 2018