



21 Aug 2022

Dear Parents,

RE: Updates for the term ahead

1. Staffing

Final Thanks and Farewell to Miss Lightfoot: Many thanks to you, the community, for the support you have demonstrated towards Kirsten Lightfoot during her 7 years at TPS. Your generous spirit, in attending and helping with the farewell and her final assembly last term, was encouraging and heart-warming. Miss Lightfoot has been a dedicated, passionate headteacher who has developed a solid foundation for Trident Prep to continue to blossom from. Her passion for Zambia and its people will always be remembered. We wish you well, Miss Lightfoot, in your new position as Headteacher of Chisipite Junior School in Zimbabwe, and for all your future endeavours.

Welcome to Mrs. Nikki Timmerman: I am pleased to remind you about our new Year 5 teacher, Mrs Nikki Timmerman. Nikki and her family join us from Kitwe.



Greetings TPS,

I love people; learning from them and interacting with them. Having spent time in Zambia for a few years now, in its real, raw beauty, I feel it has made me have more of a grounding, as well as time to mature and have a sense of what is important in life. I look forward to bringing creative and new ideas into my classroom.

The teaching philosophy I am always reminded of is that,

'No one is good at everything but, everyone is good at something!'

I can't wait to start and add value, care and integrity into the Trident learning environment.



Music and Drama: As you are aware, Mr. Mbewe is nearing his retirement, and sadly we will be wishing him farewell at the end of this term. However, we are pleased to announce that the recruitment process is underway. We have had a number of experienced, highly-qualified and trained candidates apply for the position. I will update you as soon as this has been confirmed.

Teaching Assistants: Syllen Kombe will be returning from her maternity leave this coming term. We will be saying good-bye to Ms Nancy Kauzi, who was covering for Syllen.

Swimming: Coach Muzeya will continue with swimming lessons, both in the mornings and afternoons.

Finally, I am very excited to be serving as the acting headteacher for this 3rd term of 2022. Since I will be a non-*teaching* acting head – I will be able to assist and support staff to ensure this term runs smoothly, as we await the arrival of Mr Botha in January next year.

2. Diary Dates:

The brief dates for 2023 and for Term 3 of 2022 are available on our website. Please click [here](#) to view.

Staff INSET: 26th & 27th August.

Pupils return to school: 29th August.

Half term: 14th to 24th October.

Yours Sincerely,

Sarah-Jane Keevil
Acting Head Teacher