Education Support Personnel Week 2021

Education Support Personnel Day is this Sunday the 16th of May. At Ivanhoe Primary School, we are celebrating our Education Support Staff all week and wish to thank them for everything they do for us and our school.

Our ES staff:

They are Essential in every way.

They are the glue that holds the school, staff and community together.

They are quick with a tissue, band aid or a kind word.

Tears, confusion and hurt are quickly eliminated when they intervene.

Inside information and support with an idea is freely provided when it's most needed.

We could not survive without them.

Let's appreciate and celebrate how much they contribute to our school.

-Marie Morrow

Here is what some of our staff and students had to say about our wonderful education support staff:



Lisa Cascun

"Always tries to go the extra mile to help others. A great member of the school community."

"Lisa has a gentle voice."

"A financial whiz keeping the school on the right side of the budget line."

"Always there to answer a question... or six... she is a wealth of knowledge and has a heart of gold."

"Lisa helps me when I get hurt."

"Lisa helps me a lot when I'm in sick bay."



Rekha Colaco

"A fantastic addition to the admin team and a quick study."

"Always up for a chat and a laugh"

"Caravan of curry cooking champion!"

"A friendly, helpful team player."

"Always positive – keep up the great work!"



Francine Stroud

"Great help in lots of ways to me as a teacher and as a PFA member."

"Always there with a 'hello' and a smile, the first to ask how you are going."

"Amazing can do anything attitude (and usually does) - is great with students and parents and staff."

"So welcoming- A happy face when you arrive."

"Thanks for working here, you a kind person and you are very pretty."



Janet Waldron

"Unsung heroine of the lofty library tucked away in the gods doing great work for everyone."

"No task is too big or too small for Janet, she is always there for anything you need."

"Ever pleasant and helpful in and out of the library."

"We would be lost without Janet who helps us every week to find interesting stories to take home."

"Janet is so kind, I love how she gets all our book club books ready."

"Janet always knows where the good books are!"

"Janet is such a wealth of knowledge about books and is always recommending books to students. If a student has a real passion for reading she is an amazing resource for them."

"Thank you for being our lovely and kind librarian. I am really grateful to have a kind, loving, caring librarian like you. Where would we be without you?

Thank you!"



Therese Austen

"My gate buddy and a wonderful support to those in need."

"Friendly and supportive in the classroom. Has a lovely rapport with students."

"Thanks for educating children that need help."

"Always has a smile on her face and an ear to listen."

"Thank you for helping us always and being kind."



Sarah Emerson

"Always there to help those in need- a wonderful colleague and friend."

"Thank you Sarah for being on our side."

"Very resourceful and a quiet achiever."

"Thank you for helping me and playing Pokémon with me."

"Thank you for being so nice and helpful."

"Thanks for looking after us, you are so kind and organised."



Soula Zini

"Nothing is too difficult and always with a smile – kids first always."

"Always friendly, motivated and supportive in the classroom."

"Always smiling and brings out the best in people."

"Soula is so friendly and caring- she is always there for those in need."

"Soula is really kind."



Emily Clayton

"Kind and compassionate – soooo patient with those difficult to reach students."

"I like Emily because she is kind, helpful and really smart."

"Always helpful and supportive of what I am trying to teach in my music sessions, where she supports a student."

"Her bubbly and friendly personality makes her a pleasure to be around."

"I always love how you have a big smile on your face when I see you. I have a frown on my face and when I see you my frown turns upside down."

"Thank you for helping me when I needed it when I was in prep. I appreciate it!"



Nancy Nolev

"Always participates in my music class with a great sense of fun when she is there supporting a student."

"Nancy Friday - always makes me smile – always good to see her (and Friday)."

"Thanks for always being do supportive and bringing a smile and light-hearted attitude to work."

"You are a pleasure to work with, we wish you were here more often!"

All of our ES staff:

"'K' 'k' sound people.... Kind, caring, careful, keen, kindred."

"These are the people who provide so much quiet support and care for our students. We are all so lucky to have you all!"

"Thank you to all that you do at IPS. Your wonderful work helps every teacher and student in the school. You all rock!"

"Our Education Support Staff have been a big support to me in the classroom over the years. They are compassionate and caring and make our school a better place."

