



From the Executive Director

31 January 2024

Dear Parents and Carers,

Greetings! I trust the school year has begun well for you and your family and that your children have returned feeling excited and engaged for the upcoming term.

I write today to advise that the Principal of St Monica's, Ms Fiona Dearn, has informed me that she will be undertaking a period of leave.

To ensure a smooth beginning to the school year for our staff, students and yourselves, I have appointed Mr Tim Edwards as Acting Principal at St Monica's. Tim is a respected local educator, currently working with Catholic Education Sandhurst as the Senior Education Officer responsible for pedagogy (the practice of learning and teaching). Many of you may know him from his time as Deputy Principal at Catherine McAuley College Bendigo.

Tim is very excited to serve the St Monica's community for the upcoming weeks. He is no stranger to the St Monica's leadership team and staff, having worked with many of them in recent months as they develop some exciting new learning and teaching initiatives for the school.

This appointment will ensure that the school year commences without disruption for the St Monica's community and that the Leadership Team, teachers and allied staff can focus on their usual (and important!) roles and responsibilities, most especially in ensuring that each student begins the school year with confidence.

Tim will be onsite and available to say hello and meet with you from Thursday February 1, 2024 and he is looking forward to being present at the various upcoming school events. He will write to you before the end of the week to introduce himself a little further and provide any other updates from the first week of school. Tim joins me in looking forward to Fiona's return from Leave later in the term.

I am sure you will join me in welcoming Tim to the St Monica's Kangaroo Flat community.

Yours Sincerely,

Kate Fogarty
Executive Director

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