

# THOMAS JONES

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Dear Parents and Carers,

## **So long, Farewell**

After many years teaching at Thomas Jones with panache, rigour and inventiveness, Floriane de Knoop will shortly say a heartfelt farewell. I have every faith that Floriane will excel, whatever it is she opts to do next. Her intellect, magnanimity, warmth and kindness are second-to-none. Although Floriane is keen to continue her weekly 8.00 yoga class for younger pupils and one morning a week support children with reading, her duties will not extend beyond this after the end of term. Year 5 Teacher, Tara Constantine is also leaving on Friday 19<sup>th</sup> July. Teaching with flare, compassion and tenacity, Tara is exceptionally affable and popular with pupils and their families. With her signature broad smile, she has added an effusive dynamic over the last two years. Learning Support Assistant Laonni Mabinuori has been appointed as a senior leader at a newly established private Nursery School in North London. We wish Floriane, Tara and Laonni every happiness. We will miss them greatly.

## **Who is Teach Who?**

Please see below in regard to which teachers will be teaching which class in September. After a rigorous selection process earlier this year, that involved a lesson observation, a lengthy interview and various tasks, the leadership team were unanimous in their decision to appoint new teacher Lauren Baker. Lauren has been teaching for the last four years. Ambitious and with many attributes, I feel that we have employed a first-rate professional, one who will add an extra layer of skill and insight to an already dynamic and talented staff team. Pupils will have an opportunity to meet Lauren on Friday.


The Nursery	Natasha Peurois
Reception	Molly Johnson
Year 1	Polly Holmes
Year 2	Melissa Kiley
Year 3	Scott Gourley
Year 4	Leo Faulks
Year 5	Lauren Baker
Year 6	Rachel McCombe

## **September**

*'Those long, uneven lines'*

The autumn term commences on Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> September. It is crucial that all children attend on this first day.

Yours sincerely,



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