Hello Emu Park Community!

A warm welcome to new and returning families as we commence the 2023 school year. I would like to introduce the Learning Engagement and Acceleration Program (LEAP) Team for 2023.



Tiffany Hunter Head of LEAP



Megan Bird Admin LEAP



Garry Muller Guidance Officer

LEAP Teachers



Mel Campisi Prep



Christine Burns Year 1 and Year 2



Emma Cooper Year 1



Jacqueline Gleeson Year 2 and Year 3



Sarah Platt Year 3/4 and Year 6



Amanda Hair Year 5 and Year 6

LEAP Teacher-Aides



Fiona Seckhold



Melissa Staines



Maree Stacpoole



Renee Stieg

Our experienced LEAP teachers work alongside classroom teachers to welcome and support all students in all classrooms. LEAP teachers and classroom teachers work collaboratively as they plan and implement adjustments and teaching strategies tailored to meet the individual needs of students. Differentiation for individual students occurs in classrooms in all learning areas for all students.

At Emu Park State School, we believe open dialogue between a diverse range of professionals is the key to better supporting all students to achieve improved outcomes. This collegiality is prioritised in our Student Advancement Forum (SAF). SAF is a whole school approach to student management. The SAF committee consists of The Head of LEAP, Deputy Principal and Guidance Officer. The SAF committee meets weekly with teachers to discuss the needs of individuals and groups of students and review medical and therapy reports to inform decisions regarding LEAP support, courses and projects. The school values the input from external therapists and medical professionals and considers implementation of recommended adjustments suitable within the school context. Teachers refer students to SAF via completion of a referral form in consultation with LEAP teachers and parents. All requests for GO or Chaplain support are processed through SAF.

The LEAP committee asks that all external requests for completion of reports, questionnaires and medical referral letters are forwarded to the SAF committee via email: leapadmin@emuparkss.eq.edu.au Requests will be discussed at the upcoming SAF meeting and teachers notified if they have an action to complete. We ask parents to be mindful of providing enough time for the committee to discuss and action requests. Timelines for completing requests is approximately two weeks depending on a teacher's current workload.

Have a wonderful week.

Tiffany

Head of LEAP