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Welcome back to Term 2!

Dear colleagues,

We trust you had a delightful Easter break. Here's Term 2 underway and with it come exams, reporting and plenty of exciting activities planned in our classrooms and schools.

Stage à la plage... à la rivière!

“The teaching must go on”

We are thrilled to announce the official details of our yearly Stage à la Plage. Our conference will take place on Friday 18th August at the Nedlands Yacht Club. The registration has now started and you can book your ticket [HERE](#).

Being a teacher often means playing different roles, juggling many things, and sometimes walking on a tightrope!

We need to adapt and be creative each and every day in our practice. And isn't this the best challenge of all?

This year, we will be welcoming Nathalie Marchand, who is a published author living in Melbourne.

Nathalie will teach us about *Enabling students growth through differentiation*

The first session “will explore the benefits of putting in place a progression-based student-centred approach. You will discover how such an approach can support you in your effort to provide students with more personalised lessons, support their growth while giving them a sense of achievement, agency and boost their motivation.”

Nathalie will then explore “how easily you can implement a skill progressions approach and reduce your own workload while implementing relevant and meaningful differentiation, enabling students to take ownership of their own learning and actively and cognitively engaging them in the feedback process”.

Our guest speaker explains that “Through some practical and trialled examples, participants will discover how to create effective formative and summative assessment tools that foster metacognition and self-regulation, thus empowering students to monitor their own growth.”

By joining us for this special day of professional learning and networking by the Swan River, you will gain many hands-on strategies and skills to bring back with you into your classroom. How exciting!

Call for papers

If you have been working on a new project or research lately and you would like to share it with our conference attendees; we would love to hear from you.

Please email Céline, our Vice-President by clicking [HERE](#).

TOFA Membership

Still not a member? Grab your membership today by clicking [HERE](#).

You will be able to get discounted price to our Conference, access to a private Facebook page, and get invited to our social and networking events.

We do our absolute best to bring to you professional learning opportunities as well. By supporting us, you are making this possible. Don't forget you can claim your membership on your tax return.

New Committee Members

grateful to have them on board. Get to know them below:

Getting to know Marcus:

“My first foray into French was studying it in Year 7. That same year I was able to hear it spoken by my friend’s parents here in Australia, and I was hooked.

Fast forward to university when I majored in French at uni in Sydney, followed by a stint managing a restaurant in the Blue Mountains, where both chefs were French. I was then able to converse in the language I grew to love on a daily basis, surrounded by luscious scenery and amazing cuisine.

After stints in Europe and Morocco, I decided to make a career out of doing what I loved; working with and communicating in French.

I began teaching in the year 2000, followed by four years working in London (with more side trips to France than anywhere in the UK!). Upon returning in 2007, I continued to work in languages classrooms, albeit mixing things up with teaching English Lit as well as various school leadership roles.

With the eventual reopening of borders with WA in 2022, my wife and I were able to relocate from Melbourne to Perth. I was lucky enough to find employment as a French teacher quite quickly, and have grown to appreciate the support and camaraderie offered by my fellow TOFA WA committee members. I look forward to becoming more involved with all things French-teaching related here in WA and am thrilled about my role as secretary on the committee.”

Getting to know Raquel:

My French language learning journey started in high school, where I was challenged by fabulous teachers to explore a culture, language and way of life outside of Australia. I have lived in both Montpellier and Paris where I have spent time working and studying. Originally from Melbourne, I am a recent addition to the French teachers here in Perth and I am looking forward to supporting the TOFA committee.

Want to join the TOFA Committee?

We are always on the hunt for fabulous, motivated and enthusiastic new Committee Members. Joining the committee is simple and it can bring new challenges to those who want to try something new. Making new connections, improving the teaching and learning of French in WA by providing support to fellow colleagues. You will not regret getting involved!

Please say “bonjour” on our [socials](#) or you can email Emilie, our Treasurer, by clicking [HERE](#).

We are wishing you a fabulous Term 2 and we hope to hearing from you soon.

The TOFA WA Committee



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