

June 26, 2019

Dear Students, Colleagues and Staff, Parents and Guardians of Trafalgar Elementary,

It has been a great honour and pleasure to be part of your wonderful and supportive community for over ten years.

In September 2007 when I first started teaching at Trafalgar, I didn't know what to expect, as this was my very first continuing assignment in Canada. Now that I am writing to announce my retirement as of June 30, 2019, I know that I couldn't have wished for a better placement.

Thanks to you, I have spent some of the best years of my life. I have been enriched by hundreds of students, colleagues and staff, parents and guardians since I started, and most importantly, I have become a better teacher and a better person.

Thank you to all my students who have taught me more than I have taught them; I am proud of every single one of you.

Thank you to all my colleagues and staff who shared their knowledge and wisdom with me and supported me all these years.

Thank you to all the parents and guardians who trusted me with their children, respected my judgement, and supported me helping their children.

You have all been awesome!

I will miss you, but as they say in French: "Ce n'est pas un adieu, c'est un au revoir" which means "This is not a goodbye, till we meet again". I am certain that our paths will cross!

Wish you all the best,

Mme. Vessali