

# Thao Dien



## Kimberly Meghan Roberts

*Kindergarten Teacher*

- Bachelor of Arts; Bachelor of Education

Kimberly has been working in early primary at International Schools in Vietnam for 9 years. She has a strong belief in the importance and value of learning through play. Prior to teaching in Vietnam, Kimberly has a wealth of experience working with young children through the 9 years she spent as a nanny and teaching assistant in the UK, and volunteering in a school in Sri Lanka and an orphanage in Tanzania. In her free time, she enjoys travel, cooking, baking, gardening, and swimming.



## Julie Ann Demasuay Estacion

*Kindergarten Teacher*

- Bachelor in Special Education

Julie has been in Vietnam for 24 years, working at several International Kindergartens throughout this time. Julie joined AIS in 2007 to work in the Early Childhood Department, bringing with her 14 years' experience as a classroom teacher. Prior to joining AIS, Julie was a member of the 'DYNOTOTS' pre-school which was situated in the Lotus Campus site in 1995.

Outside of school, Julie enjoys spending time with her friends and family, such as her son who is in his final year of schooling at AIS. She also enjoys cooking, watching movies, playing volleyball and travelling. Julie believes that learning should be fun and interesting. Believing that young learners thrive in a safe and nurturing environment.

Julie believes that providing young learners with a learning space where they feel secure and also encourages exploration, sparks curiosity and motivates resourcefulness and creativity has always been one of her primary goals.

Julie envisions that by providing students with this environment encourages them to become enthusiastic in their learning, leading them to become inquirers and communicators as well as enhancing their social prowess by becoming caring and empathetic towards their peers.



## Kerin Michelle Dodunski

*Primary Teacher*

- Bachelor of Teaching and Learning (BTchLn) – The University of Canterbury, New Zealand (2009)

Kerin has 10 years of experience working in primary and special needs schools in New Zealand. She previously taught at AIS and is excited to return to international teaching. Kerin is passionate about Literacy and Language in the junior school. She prides herself on providing students with a positive, safe classroom environment which nurtures a holistic approach to learning and teaching. Kerin values undertaking professional learning of recent pedagogy and research to ensure her students receive personalised, engaging and effective learning opportunities. Kerin has two adult children in New Zealand and she will be joined in Vietnam by her husband. She enjoys travel, crafts, baking, yoga and is planning to learn scuba diving in Vietnam.



## David Stuart Phelps

*Primary Teacher*

- Graduate Diploma in Education Primary

David thoroughly enjoys living and working in Vietnam. He has experience working with a diverse range of students from Kindergarten through to Year 6. David's most recent experiences include teaching a Year 5/6 Gifted and Talented class, and Year 6 at AIS. With a background in journalism, he is passionate about Literacy, helping children develop a love for writing through an inquiry-based approach. David looks forward to developing a sustainable garden for students as part of an environmental initiative at the Cherry Blossom campus.

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## Peter Joseph O'rance

*Primary Teacher*

- Bachelor of Education

Peter is a primary trained teacher with over 25 years of experience teaching students (aged from 7 to 11 years) from diverse cultural backgrounds in Sydney, Australia. He has a passion for focusing on student needs and learning outcomes. Peter enjoys living and working in Vietnam. He is fond of singing and playing the acoustic guitar as well as being a regular player in the local table tennis scene. Peter supports the West Tigers NRL team.



## Yasmeen Russul Saib

*Primary Teacher*

- Bachelor of Arts (Primary Education)

Yasmeen has most recently been working as a Middle Years Humanities Teacher, Year 6 Teacher and KS2 English Leader. Yasmeen is a qualified Primary Teacher, who specialised in Early Years and has 9 years' experience. Beginning her teaching career, she taught in Manchester, England as an SEN Transition Teacher. Yasmeen has held a range of teaching and leadership positions in Primary and Secondary Schools in Myanmar, Hong Kong and Vietnam. Yasmeen loves keeping fit through Kickboxing, Muay Thai, HIIT and is a Zumba Instructor.



## Rebecca Suzanne Debrincat

*Primary Teacher*

- Bachelor of Arts; Graduate Diploma in Education (Primary)

Fifteen years of teaching and leadership experience has seen Rebecca provide enriching educational experiences to children across the globe. Rebecca has had the opportunity to work across schools in Melbourne, London and São Paulo. She has worked with a vast number of teams, pedagogical models and mastered her classroom teaching strategies. Leading the numeracy and the creative curriculum at her school in Brazil, Rebecca is passionate about developing the whole child particularly in encouraging 21st century skills and inspiring girls in STEAM education. Rebecca loves snowboarding, travelling, cooking and soccer as just a few of her hobbies.



## Jordan Leigh Goulding

*Primary Teacher*

- Master of Education; Bachelor of Communication; Graduate Diploma in Teaching and Learning

Jordan is a primary school teacher from Australia who has many years of experience working with amazing students in Thailand, England, Spain and his homeland. He has a Master of Education from the University of Melbourne and studied hard to receive a B2 Level Diploma of Spanish during his time there. Jordan takes pride in getting to know every student in his class as an individual, including their hobbies and how they learn.

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## Francesco Felipe Liongson Zulueta

*Primary PE Teacher*

- Bachelor of Arts

Francesco, or Coach Cesco, is in his first year of teaching P.E. and Sport to students in Kindergarten and Secondary at AIS. Prior to joining AIS, Coach Cesco has taught sports, swimming, and coached basketball at various International Schools in Ho Chi Minh City. He has experience coaching basketball at the primary, secondary, amateur, and professional level both in Vietnam and abroad; and hopes to share his knowledge and love of sports with AIS students. Outside of school, Coach Cesco enjoys training and playing basketball as well as learning more about cryptocurrency and NFT's.



## Nicholas John Heidenreich

*Primary PE Teacher*

- Bachelor of Human Movement - University of Tasmania
- Community Bronze Surf Life Saving Certification
- Mountain Bike Level 0 Instructors Certification

Nick has 12 years experience teaching in the field of Health and Physical Education from Pre-Kindergarten to Year 10. While teaching in Tasmania, Australia, he successfully designed and implemented a gross motor program for children from birth to Year 6. Nick has also coached and mentored various sporting teams. He loves supporting young people to enjoy a healthy and active lifestyle. Nick is happiest when he is in the outdoors. He has a passion for sports and recreational activities. These interests include; camping, cricket, mountain bike riding, home DIY projects, travel and spending time with his family. Bachelor of Human Movement, University of Tasmania. Specialising in Health and Physical Education. Message "I believe that inspired learners are life long learners". Primary



## Emer Mary Taheny

*Primary Music Teacher*

- Certificate in Religious Education; Bachelor of Education

Emer Taheny comes from Co. Mayo on the west coast of Ireland! She will be teaching Primary Music and Dance at the Cherry Blossom Campus at AIS Thao Dien! Emer is looking forward to teaching Music & Dance to the wonderful children in Kindergarten and primary along with getting to know all of their parents. She is also looking forward to travelling around some more parts of Vietnam this year (if I can), and of course, sampling even more of it's delicious food!



## Lê Diễm Trinh

*Support Teacher*

- BA - Health Science

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**Nguyễn Đặng Hoàng Lan**  
*Support Teacher*

· BA - Arts (English Linguistics and Literature)



**Tạ Thị Thanh Mai**  
*Support Teacher*

· BA - Business Administration



**Đỗ Thị Như Anh**  
*Special Support Teacher*

· BA - Teaching French



**TRẦN THỊ HUỆ**  
*Support Teacher*

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**Phạm Mỹ Linh**  
*Special Support Teacher*

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**Dương Phương Dung**  
*Special Support Teacher*

· BA - Teaching English

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*Support Teacher*

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**Lê Thị Ngọc Phổ**

*Support Teacher*

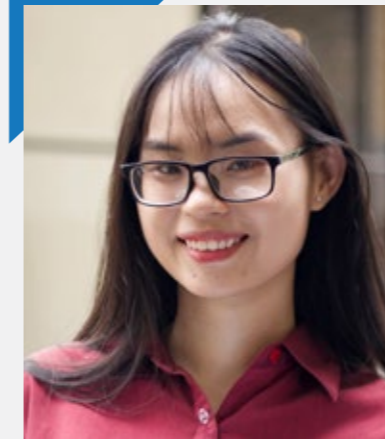
· BA - Teaching English



**Nguyễn Thị Kim Tuyền**

*Special Support Teacher*

· BA - Biology Teacher Education



**Dương Thị Ngọc Ánh**

*EAL Support Teacher*

· BA - English Language