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Trinity Café Parent Coordinator

Q. Who do you have at Trinity?

A. Two of my sons are in Senior School, one finished in 2015. My brother and father also came to the School.

Q. When did you start volunteering and why?

A. I started in 2007 when my eldest started in Year 5. My childhood memories are of seeing my mum doing tuck shop duty at MLC and reserving hot buttered rolls for me as a treat. I wanted my sons to feel the same.

Q. What does a typical duty day involve?

A. I work 4 ½ days a week, so I only do duty on Fridays - Fish and Chips day. The day starts with getting first recess meals ready and doing prep for lunch. Last time I pulled pork for the lunch rolls, packed the pie warmer and helped put the pizza slices and polenta chips out.

After recess I wiped down the tables then helped myself to an early lunch from the cafeteria and ate it in the sunshine.

I then helped package up the lunch meals - Spaghetti Bolognese, pulled pork rolls, fish and chips etc.

Q. What have you enjoyed the most about getting involved?

A. Initially doing duty with mums who had boys in years above mine. I'd learn what to expect in the years to come.

Then I paired up with a girlfriend as we knew we'd have a good catch-up at least once a term! Now it's meeting new faces - although I'm afraid there are not many at the moment - and hijacking my sons' teachers to have a quick chat!

Q. Why would you suggest parents have a go helping out in the Cafeteria?

A. It really does help the Cafeteria staff to have parents helping out - Ida is a very friendly manager, and since her move from MLC last year, she's made a number of menu changes and brought in an element of fun! Plus, you do learn a few recipes along the way.