

WRITERS' WORKSHOP STAFF INTERVIEWS

MEET ELIZABETH TAILBY



By Kate O'Callaghan Writers' Workshop Elizabeth Tailby, known as Dr T, is our Auslan teacher here at Parklands Christian College. She is also a proud Aboriginal Wiman from Kamilaroi Nation. She teaches us how to use Auslan so we can communicate with the Deaf community. It's also one of her favorite subjects to teach. If Dr T wasn't a teacher here at Parklands she would be a Lecturer at Uni. One of her most embarrassing moments was when she was thrown off a horse and into a pile of horse manure and the horse came back to 'laugh' at her.

Her favorite book to read is "The Eight" by Katherine Neville. A perfect day for Dr T is to be on a beach with family and dogs, camping and just spending time with family.

Someone who Dr T would love to see again is Dr Harry Van Issum, As they were good friends and haven't caught up in a while. Dr T feels that her interactions with Professor Aileen Robinson have helped to change her life for the better. When Dr T was a kid she would watch a show called "Hey Hey, It's Saturday!" with friends every Saturday night. They would laugh and would have snacks. Speaking of food, if Dr T had to only eat one food for the rest of her life it would definitely be salmon.

Dr T loves to have great discussions with all sorts of people, so feel free to stop and talk to her if you see her around the College with Miss Kayla Lee, Dr T's most frequent interpreter. Something else that Dr T loves is when students come up to her and sign good morning and good afternoon. You might like to learn how to do that by following <u>THIS LINK</u>.