**Templestowe Heights Primary School Values**

Persistence  Respect  Courage  Responsibility

“inspiring learners for life”

**Monday 14th March**

**Labour Day Public Holiday**

**Principal’s Report**

**Student Voice**

Congratulations to Dylan and Daniel (5/6M) for their presentation on John Newcombe at our school assembly, for whom our school’s red-house was named in honour of. This is an initiative that our current house captains have driven, as they wanted to find out more about the sports people that the houses were named after and share this with our community.

**Basketball Teams**

For several months now our amazingly dedicated PE teacher Kate Stacker has been busy establishing eight Templestowe Heights Primary basketball teams. We have 68 children who are part of our unofficial basketball association and it wouldn’t have been possible if it weren’t for Kate and her vision. Win, lose or draw it doesn’t matter, what a great opportunity to be part of a team sport with the added bonus of training at school.

**March 18th - National Day of Action against Bullying and Violence**

Renown author and Psychologist of child and adolescent health, Signe Whitson, has written a small piece on a strategy for parents that could be used when discussing incidents with their child. Talking to your child when they feel they have been bullied at school, Signe Whitson explains about making the distinction about whether or not the other child(s) was being rude, being mean or are they a bully – as how you deal with it is different. Click on the link below for the full article:

[http://signewhitson.com/resources/is-it-rude-is-it-mean-or-is-it-bullying/](http://signewhitson.com/resources/is-it-rude-is-it-mean-or-is-it-bullying/)

**Assembly and Labour Day**

There will be no assembly on this coming Monday due to Labour Day. Our next and final assembly for the term will be held on Thursday 24th March commencing at 1.30pm. Children will return to their grade before being dismissed at 2.30pm. We will be having some of our grade 6 boys showing off their newly coloured hair at this assembly (see Andrew Veal’s piece for all the details).

**Parent Zone**

Thank you to all the parents who attended Kim Pedlars’ “Children, Challenges and Choices” session on Thursday night. As both a parent and educator, it was such an informative session as Kim presented some great strategies for parents but also showed it from the eyes of a child. Kim will be running two more session - tonight and next Thursday 17th March from 7-9pm, parents are most welcome to come along (the events are free).

Rhys Coulson
Principal
We have again this year been approached by students in our school wishing to partake in the World’s Greatest Shave. Gabriel, Jackson, Dylan, Ryan and Jamie in Grade 5/6 are supporting this great cause by having their hair coloured.

For those who don’t know, the World’s Greatest Shave raises about half the money the Leukaemia Foundation needs to fund its vital work – providing emotional and practical support to families free of charge, as well as investing millions of dollars in research to help beat blood cancer.

Today, 34 Australians will be given the devastating news that they have leukaemia, lymphoma or myeloma, and they’ll turn to the Leukaemia Foundation for help. Although survival rates are improving, blood cancers like these are the third biggest cause of cancer death in Australia.

The money raised will go towards research, which is needed to discover kinder and more effective treatments for blood cancer. Your sponsorship will also support families when they need it most, providing people with leukaemia, lymphoma and myeloma with a free home-away-from-home near hospital during their treatment.

We whole heartedly have thrown our support behind these students and have organised a donation box at the office where you might like to support these boys in their quest to help others beat blood cancers.

School Photos
School Photos are being taken on Wednesday 23rd March, last week of school. School uniform must be worn correctly at all times and I’m sure our students will look immaculate for their photos on this Wednesday.

Andrew Veal
Assistant Principal
FROM THE OFFICE

School Banking
Please note that only cash deposits can be made through school banking. Cheques cannot be deposited.

School Crossing
A few near misses in the last couple of weeks has prompted this reminder to be vigilant when driving around our school and when turning into and out of Lynwood Parade. For the safety of all our children please adhere to the road rule and parking restrictions.

Student Medication
Medical forms went home to those students with Anaphylaxis, Allergies and Asthma last week. Can parents please ensure that these are completed and returned to the school with the appropriate medication as soon as possible.

ENTERTAINMENT BOOKS
The Entertainment Books are on sale. These books are fantastic value and they pay for themselves with just a few uses. Only $65.00. 20% of each book sold contributes to our schools fundraising, so encourage your family and friends to purchase one through the school. Books are available by completing the form below and returning it to the school office or orders can be placed online at:

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AFTER SCHOOL BASKETBALL COMPETITION

Last week we had 9 THPS basketball teams take the court for their first games in the Primary School Basketball Competition! All the children were excited to finally hit the court after many weeks of training. Most of our teams are complete beginners and it was fabulous to see them all having a go and starting to learn the rules. So many smiling (and very sweaty) faces walked off the courts at the end of each game and the buzz at school the next day was fabulous. Thank you to all the parents, older siblings and past students for offering their time to coach and manage the teams. It looks like an exciting season ahead!!

ZONE SWIMMING

Congratulations to Lily in 5/6M for coming 3rd in the 12/13 Girls Freestyle at the recent Zone Swimming Carnival. A fabulous achievement representing not just our school but the entire district. Well Done Lily!!

SOFTBALL

Over the past 4 weeks the whole school has taken part in a softball program run by coaches from Softball Australia. The children have enjoyed learning new skills and having the chance to put them into practice in modified softball games for the younger children and proper softball games for the older children. It was great to see their skills and knowledge of the game improve over the 4 weeks.
EASTER RAFFLE DONATIONS - DUE MONDAY 14TH MARCH:
We still need lots of Easter egg donations to make up hampers for the Easter egg raffle. Please bring them into the office by Monday 14/3.

HELPERS NEEDED TUESDAY 22ND MARCH TO MAKE UP HAMPERS:
Helpers are needed Tuesday 22nd March to put together the Easter raffle hampers. Meet at the office after drop off if you can help.

RAFFLE TICKETS DUE TUESDAY 15TH MARCH:
Raffle tickets are due back no later than Tuesday 15th March. Please write your child's name and class on each ticket.

Thanks to Kathy Brown and Jackie Miller for helping us put together the raffle tickets.

2016 CLASS REP MEETING:
2016 class reps please join us for a meet and greet with Rhys & Andrew Friday 18th March at 9am in the staff room.

EASTER BONNET PARADE:
To be held at the final assembly for Term 1, Thursday 24/03/16. Look out for the notice in your child's school bag. Prizes to be won.

This is not a compulsory event.

Parents & Friends Team
**Deep Creek Netball Club**

Registration day Wednesday 23rd March between 4.15-5.15pm at Templestowe Leisure Centre. Registrations can also be made online at [www.netsetgo.asn.au](http://www.netsetgo.asn.au)

**Location:** Training is held in the stadium at the Templestowe Leisure Centre (corner of Foote St and Anderson St, Templestowe).

**When:** Wednesdays 4:15pm-5:15pm

**Dates:** First session starting in Term 2. Winter program runs for 10 weeks.

**Fees:** The fee for the NetSetGO! program is $60. This includes Netball Victoria membership/insurance, ball and T-shirt!

**Uniform:** No uniform is required to be purchased for NetSetGO! participants. Please wear comfortable clothes and sports shoes.

- If you are interested in joining the NetSetGO! Program, or know someone who is, please let us know. New players always welcome - spread the word and bring your friends along!
- If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact us.

Website: [www.deepcreeknetball.com.au](http://www.deepcreeknetball.com.au)  
Email: deepcreek.netballclub@hotmail.com  
Coach: Britt Finlay 0425 787 917

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Join School Banking on an outback adventure!

Every year the School Banking program launches a new savings theme and 8 new exclusive School Banking reward items.

This year’s program is themed the Outback Savers and School Banking is taking students on a wild adventure through the Canyon of Savings, where they’ll learn to master smart savings habits.

There are 8 new reward items for 2016 from the Outback Savers range:

- Flying Snake Tail
- Wildlife Writer Set
- Mud Splat Handball
- Outback Pat Bag Tag
- Backtrack Eraser Pen
- Jump and Skip Rope
- Bush Fly Fan
- Wriggly Glow Worm

Win a wildlife family adventure holiday to Australia Zoo!

This year School Banking is giving students the chance to win a family trip for up to two adults and three children to explore Australia Zoo and meet Bindi and Robert Irwin.

Students who make 15 or more School Banking deposits by the end of Term 3, 2016 will be automatically entered into the draw. This is another great way to motivate students to save regularly and reach their savings goals.

School Banking is also a great fundraiser for your school. Your school receives $5 when a student makes their first ever School Banking deposit and 5% on every deposit made through the school (to a maximum of $10 per individual deposit).
CHILDREN,
CHALLENGES &
CHOICES
FOR PARENTS WITH CHILDREN AGED 5 TO 12 YEARS

- Do you want to develop more effective ways of talking to your children?
- Would you like to develop rules and consequences that work?
- Would you like to better help your children manage their strong emotions?
- Do you want to learn how to help your child develop resilience?
- Join with other parents to learn strategies and tips for achieving these and other goals.

DATES:
Thursday’s 3rd to 24th March 2016
TIME: 7pm to 9pm
VENUE:
Templestowe Heights
Primary School
265 High Street,
Templestowe Lower
COST: FREE
For more information & bookings contact Kim Pedler 9735 6146 or Primary School 9850 1796
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**Arrangements for Summer Sport**

1. Visiting Team and make arrangements with other schools by Monday’s or Tuesday’s.
2. Home team and winning team to email results through to Graham Matthews.

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