Enrolments
1. Current enrolment is 312. We have two confirmed children leaving at the end of term 2, with four new children (3 families) starting at the start of term.
2. We have already received 22 enrolments for 2017 (exactly the same number as this time last year).
3. We have five international short-term students commencing at the beginning of term 3. They are in years’ 2-5, and are staying for between 2-6 weeks.

Strategic Goals and Priorities
1. All teaching staff visited schools as part of our recent pupil-free day. Schools visited were North Melbourne Primary, Strathmore North Primary, St. Vincent de Paul Primary and Glen Waverley Primary. These schools were all delivering curriculum and assessment initiatives that we have begun implementing.
2. Mary Mcquilten and Chris Egan (Literacy instructional coaches) continue to model and plan with level teams.
3. Jonathan Wood (CSIRO’s Scientist in Schools program) commenced working with the 5/6s, introducing HTML coding. He will also facilitate some Lego Robotics lunch time sessions.
4. For those who have watched ABC’s “Revolution Schools” program on Kambrya College, Di Snowball is Mary Mcquilten’s colleague, and some of the strategies and programs focused on independent reading that she introduced is similar to what we are working towards at Templestowe Heights Primary.
5. Increasing opportunities for student engagement and connectedness to school is continuing with numerous lunch time clubs being offered. These include Lego, robotics, chess, choir, drama, ukulele, baking, Aus Lan, 5/6 band as well as the library being open also! Thank you to all our wonderful staff for giving up a lunch time to support our students.

Staffing
1. Maria Buttifant has commenced working with the year 5/6 students on the School Production. Auditions are well under way, with the goal of having all songs and part-roles decided by end of term, so all students have the term break to learn their lines!
2. All students have now worked with Artist in Residence Debbie Qadri on creating a mosaic couch/seat.
3. Mary Wakefield is on leave for last three weeks of term 2.

Community Life
1. A huge thank you for the energy and effort of Andrew Veal, Angela Makris, Clare Harding, Jacqui Nicolazzo, Rebecca Schmitz, Mary Wakefield, Kerryn Clark, Andrew Mishura, Brooke Everett for taking 72 students Phillip Island camp. A great experience for our students.
2. Rebecca Schmitz has returned safely to the United States after a very successful term with us. A huge thank you to Janene Hansford for hosting her. A little birdie told me there were a lot of tears at the airport when saying farewell.
3. Education Week was a huge success. A terrific celebration of all the wonderful learning opportunities we aim to provide for our students. A big thank you to all staff for making the week, and the Wednesday night run so smoothly.
4. Celene Black is presenting a parent/guardian information session on supporting children with reading on Wednesday 15th (2:30pm) and Thursday 16th June (7:30pm). These changes were made as a result of feedback we received.
5. Story Time continues to run each Friday for any 3 and 4 year old children on Fridays.
6. Two of our students made it through to the regional cross country championships; we were the only school in the region to have more than one child make it to the next round, a feat Kate Stacker is very proud of!
7. Carole Rigler took our environmental captains to Petty’s Orchard to meet and spend time with the resident farmer.
8. Matt Giodano will be talking to all 3/4 students on tolerance, inclusion and understanding. Matt, you resides in New York (there seems to be a USA theme here?) has Tourette’s syndrome and will be discussing what it is like having Tourette’s and raising understanding. He will be performing some African drumming. You can find out more by searching for Matt on Youtube or follow the link https://www.tourette.org/about-tourette/overview/living-tourette-syndrome/children-with-tourette-0-12/stand-up-for-tourette/

Professional Learning
1. I attended a session on the new Ministerial Order 870 that is to be implemented by the end of the year. This is a major policy which outlines compliance measures to support the safety of each child, all schools are required to audit their current status on what aspects of protocols and policies are missing to make them compliant. This will require input from School Council, however at this stage the policies/grants committee are looking at this. More information can be found at: http://www.vrqa.vic.gov.au/childsafe/Pages/default.html

2. We have recently established a professional partnership with Bulleen Heights Primary. They will be supporting us in developing skills and capabilities in how best to support students with autism. A main focus is on gaining experience in how to develop individual learning goals in planning and action.

3. Greg Cameron visited Templestowe Heights Primary on Friday 10th June. Greg is currently over from Denver, USA as he presented a session at Bastow before heading off to WA to present at another conference. Greg’s expertise lies with how the development of instructional leadership and the impact it can have on the collective efficacy of a school.

4. Leanne Ware recently attending a professional learning session on new financial reporting, which also covered a new emergency SMS service that all schools are required to use in the event of an emergency.

Resources
1. Acoustic panels are scheduled to be installed in the multi-purpose room this coming weekend Sat/Sun 18th and 19th June. This is all thanks to a generous donation from a Templestowe Heights family for the product.

2. The re-flooring of the gymnasium will commence on the second week of the term 2 break, and thus will be out of action for the first week of term 3. The disabled toilet is now being built in August with access to the stadium (a temp fence will barricade a slight section of the stadium).

3. Andrew to discuss all completed or proposed buildings and grounds works.