

Templestowe Heights Primary School Values

Persistence Respect Courage Responsibility
"inspiring learners for life"

School Photos Wednesday 13th February

Information Nights Foundation - Thursday 14th February
Year 1 to 6 - Tuesday 19th February

PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

Welcome Maria Buttifant

Over the summer break we have also had the addition of a new performing arts teacher, Maria Buttifant. Maria has a wealth of experience teaching in government, catholic and independent primary and secondary schools. Students may have also remembered her as the talented person who choreographed and lead our school production in 2016. Maria will be teaching all year 1-6 classes, whilst Lisa Clark is our Foundation performing arts teacher.



Templestowe Heights 祝你們全家幸福健康，春節快樂，恭喜發財、新年好！

Happy Chinese new year to all our families who celebrated the lunar new year, the year of the pig. We have a diverse background of cultures, families and beliefs within our Templestowe Heights community. It is part of this rich diversity that develops tolerance and understanding for children to make meaning of their own identity.

Our Swimmers

You couldn't have picked a hotter day for our year 3-6 students to participate in our school swimming carnival at Aquarena. The students certainly enjoyed competing in the swimming events and had fun in the games session at the end of the carnival. Thank you to our PE teacher Kate Stacker for planning and facilitating this huge event, and for all the staff that helped out during the hot day. Congratulations to the all the students who will now go through to the district swimming competition where they will represent our school.



Foundation Students first day

There was so much excitement on the faces of all our new foundation students as they arrived at school yesterday morning in their new school uniforms, for their first day of school. It was so pleasing to see how settled the students all looked as they transitioned from saying goodbye to their parents, to be left in the care of their new teacher. A big thank you to Cassie Dykstra, Ashleigh Danes and Jacqui Nicolazzo for running such a nurturing transition program that allowed for the students to feel so comfortable in their new surroundings and for all our parents and guardians for staying so calm and composed on a day that had no doubt been brewing all summer holidays.



Foundation parent/guardian information evening

Next Thursday 14th February what could possibly be better for our foundation parents and guardians than spending part of your Valentines Day at our information evening? The information session commences at 7pm in the multi-purpose room and the purpose of the event is to inform parents and guardians of the school's programs and how learning looks in the classroom. For those families that are unable to make it we will post the slides on the school website and there is free baby-sitting available on the night (contact the office on 9850 1796 to make a booking).

School Photos

Between now and next Wednesday (13th February) it is important that students practice their smiles in front of the mirror in readiness for school photos. I look forward to seeing all students immaculately dressed, hair brushed and shoes polished for Wednesday.

School Review

This Tuesday we will have a visiting panel come to Templestowe Heights Primary to commence our school review. The review is something that all government schools participate in to review and reflect on our recent completion of our 4-year strategic plan and goals. The day will include interviewing students, observing classrooms and interrogating data to validate our amazing achievements. Our panel consists of myself, Barry Soraghan (lead reviewer), Andrew Veal (Assistant Principal), David Barnes (Council President), Celene Black (Leading Teacher), Jeanette Breen (Learning Specialist), Mark Flack (Dept. of Ed. Senior Education Improvement Leader), Craig Crouch (Principal, Warrandyte Primary) and Saraid Doherty (Principal, West Richmond Primary).

Our Parents & Friends Team

This year we have four very positive, committed and approachable parents who have taken on the role of leading our Parents and Friends association. We are extremely grateful for Sarah (*Lachie 5/6T, Josh 3/4B*), Oula (*Cooper 3/4J & Matilda FD*), Cecile (*Sidney 5/6TG, Quinten 3/4B & Florence FD*) and Fiona (*Jack 3/4B*) who will work as a team to continue to foster our strong sense of community through the organisation of school events and activities. We will be having the first meeting (which anyone is invited to) on Friday 15th February at 9.15am in the staffroom.

School Leadership Positions

Congratulations to all students in year 6 who showed our school value of courage by presenting a speech in front of their peers. The number of students who applied for the captain positions was significant and reflects on the confidence our students have in stepping out of their comfort zones to apply for the positions. The following students have were voted in following a preferential voting system for Captain positions:

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| Art Captains | Georgia 5/6W and Alanah 5/6C |
| Environmental Captains | Quenya 5/6T and Ella 5/6C |
| STEM Captains | Liam 5/6G and Matilda 5/6T |
| Music/Performing Arts Captains | Meg 5/6G and Kallum 5/6C |
| House Captains | |
| Goolagong | John 5/6W and Bridget 5/6W |
| Newcomb | Eliza 5/6G and Lachlan 5/6T |
| Cuthbert | Isabela 5/6G and Emilio 5/6T |
| Bradman | Judy 5/6P and Lachlan 5/6W |



Rhys Coulson
Principal

CALENDAR OF EVENTS 2019

| Term 1 | |
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| Wednesday 13 th February | School Photos |
| Thursday 14 th February | Foundation Information Night 7.00pm |
| Friday 15 th February | Class Reps and Parent Helper Meeting – Staffroom- 9.00am |
| Tuesday 19 th February | Year 1 to 6 Information Night 7.00pm |
| Wednesday 20 th February | School Council Meeting 7.30pm |
| Friday 22 nd February | Welcome Picnic District Swimming Year 3/4 A, B and S Immigration Museum Excursion |
| Monday 25 th Feb to Fri 1 st March | Parent Teacher Discussions |
| Friday 1 st March | Year 3/4 J and W Immigration Museum Excursion |
| Monday 11 th March | Labour Day Public Holiday |
| Wednesday 13 th March | International Day |
| Wednesday 20 th March | School Council Meeting 7.30pm |
| Thursday 4 th March | Foundation Incursion – Responsible Pets |
| Friday 5 th April | Term 1 Ends |

TERM DATES 2019

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| Term 1 | Thursday 31 st January to Friday 5 th April |
| Term 2 | Tuesday 23 rd April to Friday 28 th June |
| Term 3 | Monday 15 th July to Friday 20 th September |
| Term 4 | Monday 7 th October to Friday 20 th December |
| Pupil Free Days 2019 | |
| Monday 27 th May | |
| Monday 4 th November | |

ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

Victorian Primary School Nursing Program

Cathy Gray a visiting primary school nurse from the Department of Education and Training will be attending the school to conduct the Foundation grade health assessments and to see other children as requested by parents or teachers (with parents' consent).

The purpose of the visit is to provide all Victorian children with the opportunity to have a health assessment; to link children, families and school communities to services available in the community; and to provide information and advice that promotes health and wellbeing.

Parents of students (other than Foundation students) that wish their child to be seen by the school nurse need to complete a Referral form that is available from the office. This completed Referral form needs to be returned to the school office.

Welcome Picnic

The '**Welcome Picnic**' is on Friday 22nd February this year on the oval. Come along with your tea and enjoy your meal or purchase a sausage cooked on our barbeque while you meet new school families, catch up with old friends and watch your child have fun in the jumping castle or on the bungee run on the oval.

Templestowe Heights is a great school community to belong to. I encourage all our families to be involved in as many of our activities as possible. Your involvement contributes to the success of the school and makes it a better learning environment for all of the students.

Parent/Teacher Discussions

On the week commencing 25th February we will be holding Parent/Teacher Discussions where you will be able to book a time to meet with your child's teacher and discuss with them any information you feel important to help with your child's educational progress. It must be remembered that this meeting is a sharing time between staff and parents and is not a formal, academic reporting time. More information will be sent out shortly.

Andrew Veal

Assistant Principal

FROM THE OFFICE

Parking



At this busy time of the year, please be mindful of students and other drivers when parking around the school. The safety of our students is the responsibility of all of us. **The carpark is for staff only. Please do not use the staff carpark for pickups and drops offs at any time.**

School Photos

School photos will be taken of Wednesday 13th February. Information on how to order online will be sent home with your child today. Payments and orders must be placed by midnight on the 14th February.

All late orders will incur a \$10 late fee.

School leader photo order forms will be sent separately to each individual child.

Please ensure that your children are wearing correct school uniform. Our school uniform policy can be found on our web site at

<https://templestowehts.vic.edu.au/information/uniform/>

School Fees and Payments

Excursion Levies

Some of you may have noticed that your excursion forms are stamped as PAID. These funds are from any excess money left over from your 2018 excursion levies. If you have any question please see us in the office.

For those families paying their fees via Bpay please remember to send in a copy of the form into the office for our records.

CSEF Applications

CSEF is provided to eligible families to assist with the cost of school trips, camps and sporting activities.

Parents and carers may claim the CSEF of \$125 per year, if you hold an eligible concession card. To apply please contact the office or download a CSEF application form from www.education.vic.gov.au/csef and provide us with a copy of a current concession card. Closing date for application is Friday 5th April 2019. For more information visit the above web site.

You will only need to submit an application form in 2019 if any of the following changes have occurred:

- **new student enrolments:** your child has started or changed schools in 2019 or you did not apply at the same school in 2018 or
- **changed family circumstances:** such as a change of custody, change of name, concession card number, or new siblings commencing at the school in 2019.

School Swimming Carnival Lost Property

A number of items including socks, goggles and towels were left behind at our school swimming carnival yesterday. Please come and collect any lost items from the school office lost property.

PIANO LESSONS AT SCHOOL

Vivian Davies is an experienced piano teacher and has been providing THPS students with piano lessons at the school for many many years. These lessons take place during school time making it convenient for busy parents.

For more information, please contact

Vivian on 98467336



Grades 1 — 6



Templestowe Heights
Primary School

Information Night

Come along, meet our staff and find out how and what your child will be learning and how you can be an active participant in this process.

Tuesday 19th February
7:00pm

In the Multipurpose Room

Baby sitting available (Please book at the office)



FOUNDATION INFORMATION NIGHT

Come along, meet our staff and find out how and what your child will be learning and how you can be an active participant in this process.

Thursday 14th February
7.00pm

In the 1/2C Learning Space

Baby sitting available (please book via the office)

SCHOOL BANKING HELPERS NEEDED



Our school banking is run by parent volunteers every Thursday after drop off for approximated 45mins. To keep this program running we required more volunteers. If you have some time to spare after drop off please contact the school office.

CANTEEN NEWS

The canteen sales will resume on Friday 8th February and will be open during the first half of lunchtime throughout the term. We look forward to serving you,
THPS Canteen Organising Committee



Term 1 Class Rep/Parents & Friends meeting

Our first Parents & Friends/Class Rep meeting of 2019 will be held in the Staff Room on Friday 15th February at 9.15 - 10am to discuss the new year and term 1 events. Everyone is welcome.

Welcome Picnic

Our annual school Welcome Picnic will be held on Friday 22nd February from 6pm onwards on the school oval. Bring a picnic dinner or buy a sausage in bread from the teachers' bbq. Meet new parents, make new friends.

THPS NEEDS YOU! BBQ Event Coordinator needed for 2019

We are looking for an event coordinator to help run the P&F barbeques - election day, Art Show etc. If you are interested or would like more information on what's involved, please email thpspaf@gmail.com

Cecile, Fiona, Oula & Sarah



BASKETBALL NEWS



Season 1 2019 commences on 18th February

Thank you again to all our wonderful volunteer managers and coaches.

2019 BASKETBALL INFORMATION SESSION

We will be holding an information session for basketball parents on:
Wednesday 13th February at 7.30pm in the Multi-Purpose Room

We will be discussing the coming season, amongst other things.

This session will be for both current and new player parents.

We will be sending out team lists this week.

Basketball is a great way to make new friends, learn some skills and have fun.

If you would like to attend the information session, please email Sarah sarahmabin@optusnet.com.au

GO HEIGHTS!!!

MUSICAL THURSDAY's!! – Write On Songwriting Experience



Okay.. so musical Thursday's doesn't quite have the same ring to it as musical Monday's, but it was a very successful 2018 (18 amazing songs!) and due to a number of requests we have changed the class to Thursday afternoon at the school library from 3:45-4:45 on Thursdays.

Over the course of 2019 we will embark on a musical journey touching on many of the major genres of music. In each one hour class we will compile a song based on the children's lyrical input. Throughout these sessions we will aim to introduce them to genres such as folk, rock, reggae, country, rap, pop, blues, dance, funk and tribal grooves, touching on lyrical messages, rhythm, syncopation, percussion, rhymes, hook, choral singing, chanting, backing, lead vocals and harmony.

Each class will be independent of the others, so if a child misses one class, there is no need to be concerned as to continuity. Once each session has been completed, I will take the recordings, and compile them into a listenable song for them to keep, share and distribute as they feel in MP3 format.

The classes will be priced at \$25 per session, or all 9 classes can be paid prior to term commencement for \$200. Early bird payments close Tuesday 5 February 2019.

Week by week class payments need to be made by the Tuesday before the class commences

For further information regarding enrolment and payment details please contact Roy Kossena directly on 0438 023 994. <http://www.roykossena.com>

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A very warm welcome back to everyone, and a special welcome to families new to the school and our program. We are excited to have you all with us for Term 1 and beyond.

We know how busy yet fulfilling being a parent can be, especially at this time of the school year...

that's why we are here to help! We look after children in the crucial times before school, after school – and between terms too. Our care programs are well-rounded, meaningful and affordable, based on 30 years of experience. Most importantly, while your child is at school and in our care, you know that they are safe.

Register Your Child Now

To attend our care, you must register your child. You can register an account with us at pp.campaustralia.com.au/account/login. Once registered, it's easy to make bookings and manage your booking options online via our parent portal. If eligible, to help you with the cost of child care, you may be entitled to receive the Australian Government Child Care Subsidy.

Program Details

For more information about our programs and fees, you may visit our website www.campaustralia.com.au. If you prefer to speak to us, you can contact our exceptional Customer Care Team that is available to support our families 24 hours a day, 7 days a week - except for National Public Holidays. [Alternatively, you're welcome to visit us in service and chat with our qualified Educators about the Camp Australia program at your child's school.](#)

We look forward to seeing you and your family soon!

From the Team at Camp Australia

Coordinator:

Phone:

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COMMUNITY NEWS

Parish of St Gregory the Great

Catholic children who attend Templestowe Heights Primary are invited by St Gregory the Great Parish, Doncaster to participate in programs to prepare for the Sacraments of Reconciliation, Holy Communion and Confirmation. Could parents please contact the Parish office on 9412 8425 or email on doncasterRE@cam.org.au. The programs will be conducted by Sr. Carmel Krohn on Wednesday evenings.

ST KEVIN'S CATHOLIC CHURCH, Lower Templestowe



Applications are now being taken for students to enrol for preparation to receive the Sacraments of Reconciliation, First Eucharist or Confirmation in 2019. Enrolments close Thursday 28th February 2019. We have a family friendly book, which we will give out after the children are enrolled, at the Compulsory Adult Meeting March 20th 2019.

If you have any queries please ring the Parish House on 9850 5983 (Tuesday- Friday 9am-4pm) or email: pam.cohen7@gmail.com for further information.

**“Be the beginning,
Be the future”**

Season 2019 Registration Open Days

Doncaster Rovers has a long history of developing Junior footballers and is now delighted to invite all prospective players to register with our club. We are accepting all applicants from U5 - U20.

Boasting one of the best facilities in the Eastern Region, with new gender friendly change rooms, two full size pitches, quarter size synthetic pitch, and ample club rooms.

We invite all Junior boys and girls and Senior Women to attend our open days...

Open Registration Days

Date: Saturday 2nd & 16th February
Where: DRSC - Anderson Park Club Room
Time: 10.00am to 2.00pm

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‘Falling off the stretcher!’
‘Forgetting the warm jacket!’
‘Spilling everything in cooking!’
‘Wrong way our billy cart went!’
‘Just lost count of splitting in water skiing!’
‘Wearing a white shirt in mud!’

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Joey's 5-7y WED 6-7pm
Cubs 8-10y WED 7-8.30pm
Scouts 11-14y FRI 7.30-9.30pm
Venturers 15-17y WED 7.30-9.30pm
Rovers 18-25y MON 7.30pm-late

Interested kids and parents please email
gl.templestowelower1st@gmail.com or text
Peter at 0434 474 928 or
David at 0419 391 712
Ted Ajani Centre, 284 Thompsons Road,
Lower Templestowe

Want to come and try footy?
COME ON DOWN!

THE BULLANTS
BULLEEN TEMPLESTOWE JUNIOR FOOTBALL CLUB

COME & TRY FOOTY DAY

Sunday 17th & 24th Feb
Venue : Bulleen Park East / West
Address : Bulleen Road, Bulleen
Behind the YJFL Oval
Time : 12pm - 2pm
Ages : U8 to Youth Girls & Colts

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Meet the coaches
Have a kick
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