

# Our News



Templestowe Heights  
Primary School

9850 1796

News from Templestowe Heights Primary School

Newsletter Term 1 Week 4

21<sup>st</sup> February 2019

## Templestowe Heights Primary School Values

Persistence      Respect      Courage      Responsibility  
"inspiring learners for life"



Welcome Picnic Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> Feb 6.00pm to 8.00pm  
Parent Teacher Discussions Monday 25<sup>th</sup> February to Friday 1<sup>st</sup> March  
(Bookings Open Now)



## PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

### Badge Presentation

Congratulations to the students who received their badges at our school assembly on Friday. Our special guest was *Michelle Timms*, a former Australian women's basketball captain, Olympic silver and bronze medallist, inductee into the world basketball Hall of Fame and an international coach. It was a great honour to welcome her back to Templestowe Heights Primary. Congratulations to the following students who were voted by their peers:



Junior School Council				Environmental Leaders			
Class	Name	Class	Name	Class	Name	Class	Name
1/2B	Edward	3/4S	Yasmin	1/2B	Eliza	3/4S	Regina
1/2L	Matisse	3/4W	Mary	1/2L	Jamie	3/4W	Alexander
1/2M	Max	5/6C	Jessica	1/2M	Kiki	5/6C	Tiana
1/2P	Isabella	5/6G	Gemma	1/2P	Tara	5/6G	Nasser
1/2R	Lucy	5/6P	Kian	1/2R	Will	5/6P	Xavier
3/4A	Keziah	5/6T	Alex	3/4A	Charlotte	5/6T	Grace
3/4B	Sarah	5/6W	Isabella	3/4B	Matthew	5/6W	Xanthipi
3/4J	Chichi			3/4J	Bethany		

### Welcome Picnic

I am looking forward to seeing most of our families at our annual Welcome Picnic. The event provides an opportunity for families to bring a picnic basket, a rug and enjoy the evening meeting new and existing families. It is a relaxed atmosphere and there will be a jumping castle for the children and the staff will put on a BBQ and sell sausages. Our student-canteen leaders will also open up the canteen to sell icy poles as well.

## School Council Nominations

Ever considered being a school councillor? Or curious to know more about what the role entails? Attached to the end of this newsletter is information about the School Council and it's functions, in particular ensuring we continue to improve as a learning community. There is also information about nominating to represent Templestowe Heights Primary as a School Councillor, and further information/timelines about the election process. Attachments will also be sent out on our Saeko App.

## Changing to Compass

Commencing on the first day of term 2, we will be changing online management system providers. Our new provider is called Compass. What does this mean for families? The short answer is there will be minimal change. The only action for families will be downloading the new Compass App and setting up a password. In the coming weeks families will be provided with information to support the change. We will be using Saeko as our App until the last day of term 1. Many parents who have children in secondary schools will be familiar with this system already, as Compass is used by most government secondary schools in Victoria. Due to the change to the new management system, previous school reports that are accessible on Saeko will not be accessible on Compass. We strongly suggest that all parents download/print any previous reports so they they have a copy for future reference.

## Information Evening

Thank you to all our parents and guardians who attended our year 1-6 information evening. It is important that as a school we keep families informed about what is happening in our classrooms, but please remember you can always speak with your child's teacher anytime if you have any queries.

## Parent/Guardian Discussions

Next week we will be having our parent/guardian discussions. The purpose of these discussions is to provide a formal opportunity for parents and carers to meet your child's teachers. It's a chance to ask questions, provide two way feedback and find out how your child has settled into the new school year. During these discussions your teacher will discuss future learning goals that will form part of each child's individual learning plan. Please don't forget to book online. Information on how to book can be found in this newsletter.

## Storytime

Storytime is on again this year. If you have a pre-schooler aged 3 or 4 years of age with some time on your hands, then why not accompany them along on a Friday afternoon at 2:00pm for an afternoon of fun and activities. Cassandra Dykstra, Jacqui Nicolazzo and Ashleigh Danes run sessions filled with literature, song and art activities. If you would like to attend there is no cost involved but booking a place is essential. Below is the timetable for Term 2 & 3, we hope to see lots of you there!

TERM 2 DATES	TERM 3 DATES
May 3 <sup>rd</sup>	July 26 <sup>th</sup>
May 10 <sup>th</sup>	August 2 <sup>nd</sup>
May 17 <sup>th</sup>	August 9 <sup>th</sup>
May 24 <sup>th</sup>	August 16 <sup>th</sup>
May 31 <sup>st</sup>	August 23 <sup>rd</sup>
June 7 <sup>th</sup>	August 30 <sup>th</sup>
June 14 <sup>th</sup>	September 6 <sup>th</sup>
June 21 <sup>st</sup>	September 13 <sup>th</sup>

**Rhys Coulson**  
Principal

## CALENDAR OF EVENTS 2019

Term 1	
Friday 22 <sup>nd</sup> February	Welcome Picnic from 6.00pm District Swimming Year 3/4 A, 3/4 B and 3/4 S Immigration Museum Excursion
Monday 25 <sup>th</sup> Feb to Fri 1 <sup>st</sup> March	Parent Teacher Discussions (Bookings Open Now)
Thursday 27 <sup>th</sup> February	Interschool Sports 9.00 -11.00 am
Friday 1 <sup>st</sup> March	Year 3/4 J and W Immigration Museum Excursion
Thursday 7 <sup>th</sup> March	Interschool Sports 9.00 -11.00 am
Monday 11 <sup>th</sup> March	Labour Day Public Holiday
Wednesday 13 <sup>th</sup> March	Multicultural Day
Thursday 14 <sup>th</sup> March	Interschool Sports 9.00 -11.00 am
Wednesday 20 <sup>th</sup> March	School Council Meeting 7.30pm
Thursday 21 <sup>st</sup> March	Interschool Sports 9.00 -11.00 am
Thursday 28 <sup>th</sup> March	Interschool Sports 9.00 -11.00 am
Thursday 4 <sup>th</sup> April	Foundation Incursion – Responsible Pets Interschool Sports 9.00 – 11.00am
Friday 5 <sup>th</sup> April	Term 1 Ends - 2.30pm dismissal

## TERM DATES 2019

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





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# Welcome Picnic

Come along and join in the fun of our Welcome Picnic.  
Meet new parents, make new friends!

Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> February from 6:00pm  
on the School Oval

Have a picnic dinner or purchase a barbecue sausage  
while your child jumps on the Bouncing Castle and has a turn  
on the Bungee Run!

## FROM THE OFFICE

### Payments and Fees

2019 Essential student learning items (school fees) are due Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> February.

### Found

A mobile phone has been found on the school grounds. Please contact the office if you think it may belong to you.

## UNIFORM SHOP

We still have a few items to clear from our uniform shop at the school. These are being sold at **super discounted** prices.

Girls Summer Dresses – sizes 4, 12, 14, and 16 - \$10

Brim School Hats – sizes Small and Extra Large - \$5

Art Smocks Small and Large - \$5

The office also stocks a few hats and satchels from PSW that we sell from the office.

## SECOND HAND UNIFORM

Thank you to all the families that have donated second hand uniform to the school. Please remember that we can only accept uniform that is in good wearable condition. No torn or stained clothing please. School tops and jackets with logos only.

## 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.



### Class Reps/Buzz lists

Class Reps for each class have been appointed. Buzz lists for each class will be emailed out to you soon. Please remember to return your form to the office if you would like to be included.

### Welcome Picnic

Our annual school Welcome Picnic will be held on Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> February from 6pm onwards on the school oval. Bring a picnic rug and dinner or buy a sausage in bread from the teachers' bbq. Meet new parents, make new friends. Bouncing Castle and Bungee Run to entertain the kids.

Our wonderful teachers will be cooking and selling sausages and drinks at the picnic. Our enthusiastic Canteen Committee kids will be selling Zooper Doopers from the Canteen.

Price list:

\$2.50 sausage/onions in bread

\$2.00 soft drinks

\$1.00 juice boxes

\$1.00 Zooper Doopers

Parents & Friends would like to thank our generous donors: Bakers Delight and Fruity Fruits in Macedon Plaza for bread and onions; SUPA IGA Templestowe for sausages, drinks, ice and serviettes; Masterfoods for sauces.

We'll see you there!

**Cecile, Fiona, Oula & Sarah**

## HIGH FLYERS AWARDS WEEK 3 TERM 1

Grade	Name	Received Award....
1/2B	Sienna	This young lady has leapt into year 1 with great determination and effort! She may be quiet but her ideas are spot on! We love her smile and how gentle she is. Great work Sienna, keep it up!
1/2P	Isabella	This week you were nominated by your teacher for showing Kindness to others. You always help others and show care for others. Thank you for being such a helpful member of our class. Well done Isabella!
1/2R	Sienna	Congratulations for being our high flyer this week in Grade 1/2 Rossi. You have demonstrated an enormous amount of courage AND persistence whilst settling into your new school here at THPS. Keep working hard and trying your best. Well done!
3/4J	Jasmine	Jasmine, you have shown friendship to many people since you started at your new school and you have a smile for everyone. You are keen to find out about new learning, you ask lots of questions- which means you are curious to find out - and you always have a go at everything. It is fabulous to have you in our class. Keep up your positive attitude. 😊😊😊
3/4W	Kian	Congratulations to Kian on a fantastic start at his new school, THPS! You have demonstrated the school value of courage by presenting a speech to your class. Kian consistently approaches learning tasks with a 'can do' attitude and strives to achieve his personal best. Well done



### MY Studio

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### 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**





# Book School Interviews Online

TEMPLESTOWE HEIGHTS PRIMARY SCHOOL



Dear Parents

Parent/Teacher/Student interviews will be held from

**Monday 25<sup>th</sup> February – Friday 1<sup>st</sup> March.**

You can now book interviews at times that suit **YOUR FAMILY BEST.**

Go to <https://www.schoolinterviews.com.au/> and follow these simple instructions.

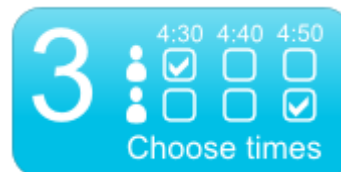
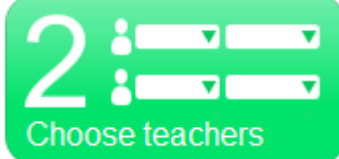
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Enter THIS school event code.

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When you click **finish**, your interview timetable will be emailed to you automatically - **check your junk mail folder** if you do not receive your email immediately.

You can return to <https://www.schoolinterviews.com.au/> at any time, and change your interviews.

For parents that don't have access to the internet at home, at work, at a friend's house or on their phones, Margaret and Anna at Reception are available to make your booking. Drop in to the office or just give them a call on 9850 1796.

**Discussions are strictly 10mins** and spaces are limited. If you require more time, please contact your teacher directly to make alternative arrangements.

Parents can change their interview bookings, any time prior to the closing date (Monday 25<sup>th</sup> February 8.00am), by re-visiting the <https://www.schoolinterviews.com.au/> website, and using the event code. Remember to use the same name and email address you used when you made your original booking.

If you require an **Interpreter** please contact the office.

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# CHESS CLASSES

## TERM 1, 2019



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Dark Horse Chess invite students to participate in Term 1 chess classes, commencing on **Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> March**. Players of all ages and levels are welcome, and prior experience with chess is not necessary. Certificates will be awarded to all players, and trophies will be awarded to the tournament winners.

- Class Times: **Thursday Lunchtimes at 1pm**
- Class Location: **3/4B classroom**
- Class Dates: **07/03, 14/03, 21/03, 28/03**
- Price (inc. GST): **\$11.00 per lesson × 4 lessons = total cost of \$44.00.**
- Enquiries: **admin@darkhorsechess.com**

Registration is due at the school office by Friday 1<sup>st</sup> March. We endeavour to make intercom announcements before each lesson, but responsibility for attendance lies with students.

**Details for bank transfer:** Dark Horse Chess, BSB: 063182, Account No. 11100482. Please put "THT1 name of child" in the description, and please notify admin@darkhorsechess.com.



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DARK HORSE CHESS

**TEMPLESTOWE HEIGHTS PRIMARY SCHOOL**  
**CHESS REGISTRATION - TERM 1, 2019**

Date: .....

I give permission for my child ..... in Class ..... to participate in the above activity at Templestowe Heights Primary School. I authorise the teacher in charge to consent, where it is deemed impracticable to communicate with me, to my child receiving such medical treatment as considered necessary.

**Payment Method (Please tick):**

- Cheque** → I have enclosed a cheque for \$44.00 made payable to Dark Horse Chess.
- or
- Bank Transfer** → Please also notify admin@darkhorsechess.com. *[Preferred]*

SIGNED Parent/Guardian: ..... Child's Date-Of-Birth: .....

Email: ..... Phone: .....



## COMMUNITY NEWS



**DONCASTER**  
SECONDARY COLLEGE

# 2019 Open Night

**Tuesday, 26 March**

**6.00pm** Tours Commence from the Performance Centre  
**6.45pm** Final Tour  
**7.30pm** Principal's Address



**ADDITIONAL COLLEGE TOURS** by appointment  
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### SEAL Testing

Friday, 26 April 2019



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**COST:** \$85 (per participant)

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7.00pm – 9.00pm

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## **TEMPLESTOWE HEIGHTS PRIMARY SCHOOL COUNCIL** **ELECTIONS**

21<sup>st</sup> February 2019

### ***SCHOOL COUNCIL ELECTIONS***

The Templestowe Heights Primary School Council is an elected body comprising 15 members: 9 parents, 4 DET employee members, 2 possible co-opted members and the Principal as Executive Officer. The term of office is 2 years. Each year, half of the Council comes due for election.

The School Council is a legally formed body that is given the power to set the key policies and directions of the school within centrally provided guidelines. In doing so, the School Council is able to directly influence the quality of education that the school provides for our students.

Parents on school councils provide important viewpoints and have valuable skills that can help shape the direction of the school.

Those parents who become active on a school council find their involvement satisfying in itself and may also find that their children feel a greater sense of belonging.

If you decide you would like to nominate for school council, you can arrange for someone to nominate you as a candidate or you can nominate yourself in the Parent category.

Nomination forms are available at the office. You can either pick one up or call the office and we will send one home.

School Council meets at 7.30pm on the third Wednesday of each month. It operates sub committees in Finance, Community Engagement, Policies & Grants and Buildings & Grounds.

### **I hereby call for nominations for the Templestowe Heights Primary School Council.**

The terms of office, membership categories and number of positions in each category open for election are as follows:

#### ***Parent Members***

No. of positions: 3

Term of Office: 2 years

**Nomination forms may be obtained from the school office and must be lodged by 4.00pm on Friday 1<sup>st</sup> March.**

If nominations exceed vacancies, an election will be held. The timeline is as follows:

February 22<sup>nd</sup> Call for Nominations  
March 1<sup>st</sup> Nominations Close 4pm  
March 6<sup>th</sup> Ballot Distributed  
March 13<sup>th</sup> Poll Closes at 4pm  
March 15<sup>th</sup> Declaration of the Poll

The first meeting for the new School Council will be Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> March, 2019.

**Rhys Coulson**  
Principal

<b>School Council Election Process Timetable</b>	
<b><u>School council election process timetable 2019</u></b>	
<b>Name of the School:</b>	<b><u>Templestowe Heights Primary School</u></b>
<b>EVENT</b>	<b>DATE</b>
<b>a) Notice of election and call for nominations</b>	Friday 22 <sup>nd</sup> February 2019
<b>b) Closing date for nominations</b>	Friday 1 <sup>st</sup> March 2019
<b>c) Date by which the list of candidates and nominators will be posted</b>	Tuesday 5 <sup>th</sup> March 2019
<b>d) Date by which ballot papers will be prepared and distributed</b>	Wednesday 6 <sup>th</sup> March 2019
<b>e) Close of ballot</b>	Wednesday 13 <sup>th</sup> March 2019
<b>f) Vote count</b>	Thursday 14 <sup>th</sup> March 2019
<b>g) Declaration of ballot</b>	Friday 15 <sup>th</sup> March 2019
<b>h) Special council meeting to coopt Community members (the principal will preside)</b>	Wednesday 20 <sup>th</sup> March 2019 at 7:30pm
<b>i) First council meeting to elect office bearers (the principal will preside)</b>	Wednesday 20 <sup>th</sup> March 2019 at 7:30pm

# School Council Fact Sheet

## Key functions

The school council has particular functions in setting and monitoring the school's direction.



School councils have three main responsibilities:

- **Finance:** overseeing the development of the school's annual budget and ensuring proper records are kept of the school's financial operation.
- **Strategic planning:** participating in the development and monitoring of the school strategic plan.
- **Policy development and review:** developing, reviewing and updating policies that reflect a school's values and support the school's broad direction outlined in its strategic plan.

Other key functions of school councils include:

- raising funds for school related purposes
- maintaining school grounds and facilities
- entering into contracts
- reporting annually to the school community and the Department
- creating interest in the school in the wider community
- representing and taking the views of the community into account
- regulating and facilitating after-hours use of school premises and grounds
- operating a children's service at the school

Area of activity	The principal ...	The school council ...
Curriculum	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• leads development of teaching and learning programs</li> <li>• determines teacher, subject and time allocations; timetable; class sizes; and structures</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• develops the broad direction and vision for the school using guidelines provided by the Department</li> </ul>
Student management	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• develops a student engagement policy in consultation with school community</li> <li>• implements the student engagement and dress code policies</li> <li>• considers and, where appropriate, grants exemptions to dress code</li> <li>• manages all matters of student wellbeing, discipline and academic progress</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• develops a student dress code policy</li> <li>• consults with the school community before adopting changes to the policy</li> </ul>
Staff employment and management	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• is responsible (as delegate of the Secretary to the Department) for the employment and management of persons in the Teaching Service (including non-teaching staff)</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• approves employment of some staff e.g. casual replacement teachers</li> <li>• recommends to the Secretary to the Department the appointment of a principal</li> </ul>
Buildings and grounds	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• oversees maintenance of all facilities</li> <li>• monitors implementation of contracts</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• oversees school cleaning and in regional areas, enters into contracts for school cleaning</li> <li>• enters into contracts for building and grounds improvements</li> </ul>
Child Safe Standards	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• implements these policies</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• develops policies as required by the Child Safe Standards</li> <li>• reviews existing contracts and ensures future contracts address the requirements of the Child Safe Standards</li> </ul>