

Our News



Templestowe Heights
Primary School

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News from Templestowe Heights Primary School

Newsletter Term 3 Week 5

15th August 2019

Templestowe Heights Primary School Values

Persistence

Respect

Courage

Responsibility

"inspiring learners for life"

Science

Science Day - Friday 16th August (Dress up as a scientist)

No Assembly This Friday 16th August

PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

Disco

The basketball gym was rocking on Friday night as over 350 students put on their dancing shoes and came along to our annual school disco. It was clearly evident that the children had a great time dancing to the songs they had selected. What made me so proud was that Miss Jacqui Nicolazzo was our star DJ, tech-support by Mr Sam Wang and many other staff acting as backing dancers throughout the event. Thank you to the Despina (Felipe 3/4S, Julius 1/2M and Emilio 1/2L) for organising the event and all the other amazing parents who supported Despina and the children on the night.



Wedding News

As Jacqui Nicolazzo got home on Friday night after a long day being an inspirational teacher by day and rock star DJ by night, she was greeted at the door by her partner James. Not an unusual situation, however there were rose petals all over the hallway floor, James was playing a ukulele singing Jacqui's favourite song and then got down on one knee to pop the question she had been waiting for seven years to be asked. I don't think Jacqui will ever forget her 2019 school disco! We are so happy for Jacqui and James, we're looking forward to all receiving an invite to their wedding, it better not be on a school day.

Scientists visit Peter MacCallum

On Wednesday afternoon we had a visit from Toby and Kirsty. Both Toby and Dr Kirsty are scientists at the Peter MacCallum Cancer Institute and came along as guest speakers to share their journey as scientists. They also discussed the fun opportunities they have had in their careers as scientists presenting their research all



over the globe and even visiting the Harry Potter world! Toby and Kirsty were very relatable, explaining as kids growing up they had an interest in science but also in many other things. At the end of the session Louise Wood and Sam Wang participated in a science experiment that wowed the crowd. Thank you to Louise Wood for organising this event.

50 years - Save the Date!

Next year we will be celebrating 50 years as a school. We want this to be a memorable occasion that brings as many members of the THPS-community together to reminisce and celebrate their time at Templestowe Heights Primary. Our school holds a very special place in the hearts of so many. We have four current members of staff that are past-students and many second generation families that continue the tradition of sending their children to Templestowe Heights Primary.

We are wanting to reach out to as many past students and staff as possible. Our main avenue of communicating information (in this day and age particularly) is through an ex-student Templestowe Heights Primary Facebook group. If you know of anyone who is a past student or staff member, could you ask them to join this Facebook group, alternatively if they are not on social media to contact the school via phone or email and leave their details for our newly formed database.

The dates are:

- **Thursday 12th November, 2020**

We will be hosting a special night time, catered event with the establishment of a THPS-alumni group. This free membership is open to any past student or teacher (18 years or older) who would like to stay connected to THPS. All alumni members will be presented with their alumni pins on the night. It will also be a great opportunity to reconnect with past, familiar faces.

- **Saturday 14th (all day) November, 2020**

We will be hosting a school fete which will include; carnival rides, food trucks, live music, petting zoo, silent auctions, art & craft stalls and a 'trip down memory lane' exhibition of THPS artefacts throughout the 50 years.

What we need from you:

- To register to be part of the THPS alumni, please send an email to the school account templestowe.heights.ps@edumail.vic.gov.au with your full name and year of graduation.
- Spread the word. Send this link onto anyone else you know of that attended THPS as a staff member or student and encourage them to sign up to our alumni. Encourage others to join the Facebook Group.
- If you have any memorabilia or artefacts (such as old school uniforms, photos, badges, copies of the annual magazine, old school report cards or signage) that you would be willing to lend us, we would be extremely grateful. We will label all borrowed memorabilia or artefacts for collection after the celebrations. These will be on display in the "Trip Down to Memory Lane" exhibition.

Science Day – No Assembly on Friday

On Friday we will be running our annual Science Day. This is an opportunity for students to come dressed as a scientist (environmental, behavioural, chemical or physical) and participate in fun science experiments. We will also be having the Fizzics incursion and due to this there will be no assembly this Friday.

Art Show

There's only three more weeks until our biannual Art Show where we celebrate all our children as artists, exhibiting their work for all to see. Attached to this newsletter is further information about the food options you can pre-order for the night so families don't need to feed their kids at home beforehand.

Big rock arriving

This Friday at 4:30pm we have the arrival of a 1.2tonne kg stone. This rather large stone will be placed on the concrete base at the front of the staff carpark. Our artist in residence David Davies will be creating a sculpture by hand over the next month in preparation for the unveiling at our art show.

Rhys Coulson

Principal

CALENDAR OF EVENTS 2019

Term 3

Friday 16 th August	Science Day – Whole School (Dress up as your favourite scientist)
Sunday 18 th August	Parent Opinion Survey Closing Date
Tuesday 20 th August	Semester 2 School Leaders Photos – 9.00am
Wednesday 21 st August	School Council Meeting
Thursday 22 th August	Cupcake Day -RSPCA Fundraiser Year 5/6 Living & Growing Session 2
Friday 23 rd August	Year 1/2 National Gallery of Victoria Excursion
Monday 26 th August	House Athletics Carnival
Tuesday 27 th August	Year 3/4 Forest Edge Camp Parent Information Session 6.30pm
Thursday 29 th August	Year 5/6 Living & Growing Session 3
Friday 30 th August	Father's Day Stall Father's Day Breakfast – 8.00am -8.45am
Wednesday 4 th September	ART SHOW 5.00pm – 7.30pm (Opening Ceremony 6.00pm)
Thursday 12 th September	District Athletics Sports
Friday 13 th September	Year 3/4 Wheel Talk Excursion
Wednesday 18 th September	School Council Meeting
Friday 20 th September	Term 3 Ends – 2.30pm Dismissal

TERM DATES 2019

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 4 th November	

FROM THE OFFICE

Compass Excursions – Notices and Payments

Templestowe Heights Primary School has caught up with the times and is introducing online notices and payments.

Starting next week, excursion notices will only be available via Compass. Through Compass you can view, make payments and give permission for your child to attend events. All events and payments due will appear on the home screen of your app in the green area under your child's photo. For a more detailed view use your browser on your computer or laptop.

The first excursion that will be placed on Compass is the Year 3/4 'Wheel Talk' excursion. Details, dates, costs, payment methods and permissions for this excursion can easily be seen by accessing your compass.

Notifications for all excursions and events will be sent to your email and via Compass. Make sure you have your notification set to 'ON' for COMPASS so that you stay up to date.

Payments Due dates

- House Athletics Day payment - due 20th August

Please check your statement

FOUND

A ladies silver watch was found at the school disco on Friday night. If you think this may belong to you please come to the school office.

PARENT OPINION SURVEY

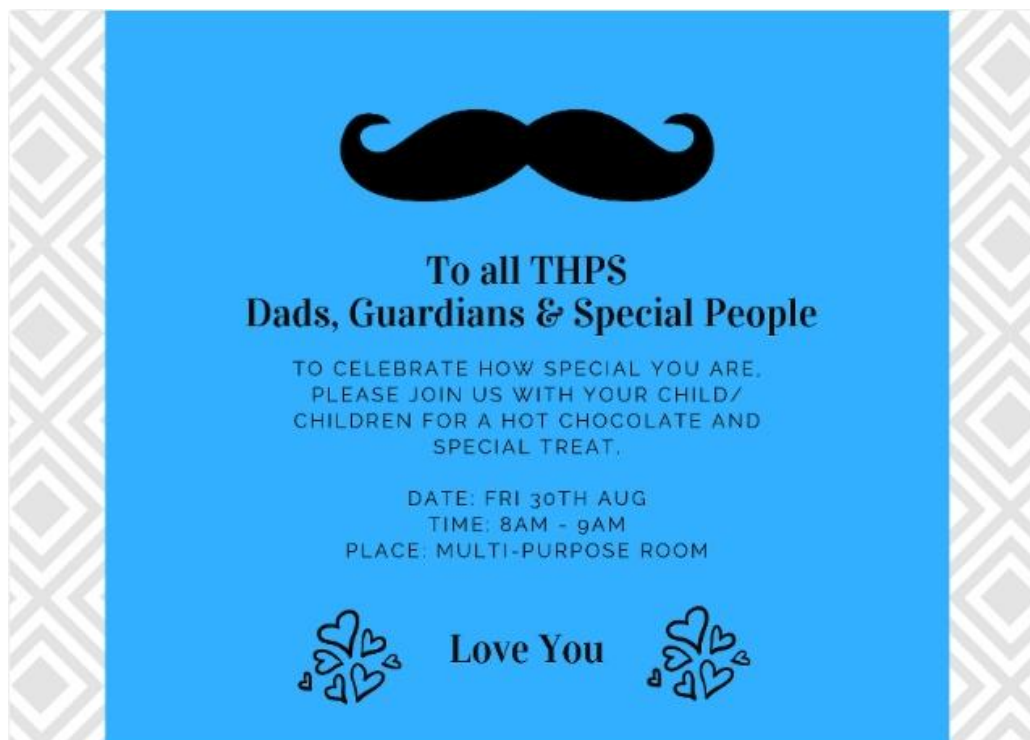
Thank you to those families that have already completed the Parent Opinion Survey online. The closing date for the survey has been extended until Sunday 18th August 2019.

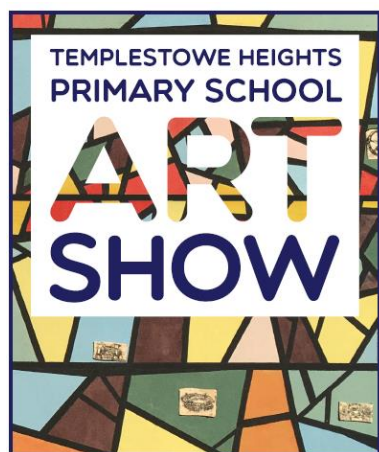
The survey is conducted **online**, only takes **10-15 minutes** to complete, and can be accessed at any convenient time within the fieldwork period on desktop computers, laptops, tablets or smartphones. The online survey will be available in a range of languages other than English.

The survey results will be reported back to the school at the end of September. For further information, please contact the office.

2020 Foundation Enrolments

We are currently taking enrolments for 2020. If you know of any families who have children to enrol for 2020 or you have younger siblings that you have not yet enrolled please obtain an enrolment form from the office or from our school web site.





Art Show Grand Opening Wednesday 4th September 2019

5.00pm – 6.00 pm – Art Show begins food & drinks available.

5.30pm – 6.00pm – Performance (Multipurpose Room)

6.00pm – Art Show Grand Opening Ceremony

7.30pm – Art Show Ends

The Art will be on display for viewing from Thursday 5th September until Wednesday 11th September between 3.30pm – 4.30pm

Hello again THPS families!

The count down to the Art Show is drawing closer. A reminder that opening night is September 4th from 5.00pm. The Raffle ticket/ food order form is coming home with your eldest child on Monday.

Food Options: \$4 Each

1. - Sausage in bread with the option of onion and sauce and a bottle of water or pop top.
2. - A slice of pizza (Margherita, or BBQ meat lovers, gluten free base option) and a bottle of water or pop top.

♦ Donuts are available for purchase on the night for \$1.00 each.

Entry on opening night is a gold coin donation per family. The Art Show will be open each night after 5th - 11th September 3.30-4.30pm.

Stay tuned! We hope you can come along with family and friends to this year's Art Show.

Regards Joy Birrell (Art Teacher)



Disco

The disco was a huge success. Thanks to Despina Alleri and her wonderful team of helpers for making it a fun and memorable night of singing and dancing for all the kids. DJ Nicolazzo rocked the house!!!

Father's Day Breakfast and Stall – 30th August

A special Father's Day breakfast will be held for all the dads/special people on Friday 30th August from 8am onwards in the multipurpose room. The kids will treat their dads to a hot chocolate or coffee and something sweet.

Bec Banez and the Father's Day Stall team have been busy selecting some wonderful gifts for the kids to choose from for their dad/grandpa/uncle/special person. The stall will be held on Friday 30th August after drop off. Volunteers will be needed to help run the stall.

P&F Team - Cecile, Fiona, Oula & Sarah thpspaf@gmail.com

<https://www.facebook.com/search/top/?q=thps%20social%20events>

HIGH FLYERS WEEK 4 TERM 1

Year	Name	Received Award....
FN	Jasleen	Jasleen, you are an excellent role model to those around you. You are a leader to others because you show fairness and are always happy and willing to help others. Thank you for being a positive member of our class and always setting a good example!
1/2L	Scott	Congratulations Scott! The people in our class have noticed you demonstrating fairness. You are constantly trying to include others in games outside. We have loved watching you grow as a role model to other students. We love watching you show your kindness and your focus to you work. Keep up the great work, we are all so proud of you!
3/4J	Artin	How wonderful, Artin, to see you come smiling to school on time so you can join in our morning business and start the learning day with your friends. This shows a great sense of responsibility and self-respect. I am so proud of your progress with writing and hope you are too; I look forward to reading your published copy of "The 26-Storey Bee-hive." Keep up your positive and happy attitude, Artin. 😊😊😊
3/4S	Regina	For consistently showing a caring, kind and considerate nature. You went out of your way to offer your mum's sewing expertise, to mend Mary's unicorn in the Library. You are the first person to offer help and to be a 'nurse' to someone who is injured. You have a 'heart of gold!'
5/6P	Indi	Displaying our school value of 'Courage'. Indi has shown big steps towards becoming more confident each day. She will have a go at challenging learning tasks and share her thoughts during class discussions. Indi's self-confidence has soared when participating in the 'Print a Car Program' and 'Video Casts'. Keep on striving Indi!!! Remember, courage does not always roar. Sometimes courage is the quiet voice at the end of the day saying I will try again tomorrow.
5/6W	Ayman	For displaying the school value of persistence. You constantly try your best with all of your learning tasks and will never give up. Keep it up Ayman, don't let any challenging tasks stop you! Well done!



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*Templestowe Heights
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Art Show*

*ART SHOW
SILENT
AUCTION*

*Everyone is invited to our school to see the
artwork of our children Grades
Foundation-6 and take part in the Silent
Auction.*



Art Show Opening
Wednesday 4th Sept Time:
5:00pm

Bidding Opens
Wednesday 4th Sept

Biddings continue during 5th
Sept till 11th Sept at 4:00pm

*A Silent Auction is an event where numerous items
are displayed and bid on. The highest bidder wins
the item! You can bid as many times as you like!*

*As part our Art Program, all children have been
involved and participated in creating art pieces
from each year level for the silent auction. Silent
art pieces have also been donated from local
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● Recording Student Absences

If your child is going to be absent from school please record their absence on COMPASS.

1. Choose your child's photo
2. Go to the 'Approvals' tab
3. Press the Blue **Plus** symbol 
4. Tap on 'Reason' – and select option. (illness, parents' choice etc.)
(Details/Comments field is optional)
5. Tap on **Start Date** and **End Date** (change if necessary)
6. Press 'Add Attendance Note'

Complete this process as soon as practical on the morning of their absence

● Recording Extended Absences

If your family is going on holiday please record your child's absence using the same process as above before the date.

◆ Absence Notifications

If you have not recorded an absence for your child on COMPASS, they will be marked as 'Unexplained' and an SMS will be sent to you at 10.30pm .

- If you receive an SMS, please update the absence on COMPASS or call the school office.

◆ COMPASS Notifications

All school communications are sent via COMPASS (newsletters, reminders, alters, reports etc.)

Notification are send via the app and/or email. To ensure you receive all notifications go to the settings on your phone and **Enable Notifications**.

◆ Late Arrivals

When recording late arrivals on COMPASS please choose the entire morning or afternoon session. The exact time of arrival will be adjusted when you sign your child in at the office kiosk.

◆ Early Leaver

Early Leavers need to be signed out via the **KIOSK** at the office. **Please do not record these on COMPASS.**

If your family circumstances have recently changed, please notify the office so separate COMPASS accounts can be created. Personal family details will be shared unless we are otherwise notified.

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TEMPLESTOWE HEIGHTS PRIMARY SCHOOL

Storytime Program 2019



- ✓ A great way to introduce your child to a school environment with Stories, Songs and Art activities in a friendly relaxed atmosphere led by our Foundation Year teachers Cassandra Dykstra, Jacqui Nicolazzo and Ashleigh Danes.
- ✓ Weekly sessions are for 3 and 4 year old preschoolers accompanied by an adult.
No cost involved!

'Storytime' program will be presented on the dates below.

When: Friday afternoons commencing on 3rd May
Time: From 2:00pm until 2:45pm
Venue: Foundation Classrooms
at Templestowe Heights Primary School

TERM 3 DATES		
	July 26 th	
	August 2 nd	
	August 9 th	
Cancelled	August 16 th	Cancelled
	August 23 rd	
	August 30 th	
	September 6 th	
	September 13 th	

Please phone Margaret or Anna on 9850 1796 for bookings and all enquiries.