

Our News



Templestowe Heights
Primary School

9850 1796

News from Templestowe Heights Primary School

Newsletter Term 4 Week 4

31st October 2019

Templestowe Heights Primary School Values

Persistence Respect Courage Responsibility
"inspiring learners for life"

Pupil Free day - Monday 4th November

Public Holiday - Tuesday 5th November

PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

Our growing community

In 2015 we started with a vision of wanting to be the school of choice for our local community. We are proud of the fact that four years on and after being identified as an Influence School, we have become a school of choice for our local community. When compared to all other schools within our immediate area, Templestowe Heights Primary has a significantly higher percentage of enrolled students that live within our catchment zone.



As we have grown over the past four years and reached capacity, we have been creative in keeping all our students housed within our two long buildings. This has included placing dividing walls through our three largest classrooms, thus creating 3 additional spaces. Next year, as our school continues to grow we will be receiving a single story double-portable classroom from the Department of Education. The double-portable classroom will be positioned away from any play spaces, at the back of the school between the Tiger Turf playground and the border of Templestowe College. The double-portable will be our new library, allowing for our current library room to become another classroom and thus all classrooms will remain in our two buildings.

As mentioned previously we will also be constructing another slightly smaller portable classroom. This new purpose built space will be where our *Science, Technology, Engineering & Mathematics* (STEM) curriculum will be delivered, offering a point of difference with a planned Virtual Reality lab. We are really excited about what 2020 will bring and in the coming weeks we will begin to see our new portables sprout up.



Our 2020 Foundation Team

We are happy to announce that our existing Foundation teachers of Cassie Johnson, Ashleigh Danes and Jacqui Nicolazzo will be joined by Ross Toogood for 2020. Ross has always expressed an interest in teaching the Foundation year and we are excited to see him join the team and bring a varying degree of experience to teach our youngest learners. Next Friday is our first 2020 Foundation transition session from 9:15-10:30am.



Parent/Guardian Wellbeing Workshops

Thank you to those families that attended the parent/guardian wellbeing workshops held last Thursday. The repeat workshops focused on conversations around **Emotional Regulation** and allowed for our parents and guardians to share their experiences and walk away with some understandings about what their wellbeing toolkit could look like for both themselves and their

child. A big thank you to our amazing wellbeing leaders *Celene Black* and *Julia Laidlaw* for hosting these sessions. There will be another repeat of this workshop on Friday 15th November from 1.30pm-2.30pm in the library. Our first workshop in 2020 will be focusing on our new wellbeing curriculum we are introducing.

Camp



Next Wednesday our year 3/4 students will be setting off on a 3-day adventure to Forest Edge Camp. The camp is located in Neerim South and the students will have many fun opportunities to have new experiences and sleep in cabins. Organising a camp is an enormous effort and we are so grateful that we have so many committed staff attending. We look forward to hearing from Louise Wood, Jeanette Breen, Liz James, Alex Bruinewoud, Linda Spencer, Navaara Matherson, Andrew Veal, Kate Stacker and Julia Rossi. This time we are fortunate that parents Paul (Dim 3/4B) and Jason (Odette 3/4W & Gemma 3/4B) will also be joining us on camp.

Pupil-free day

Just as a reminder our school **is closed Monday and Tuesday next week** due to a pupil free day on Monday and public holiday on Tuesday. On Monday staff will still be at school participating in professional learning linked to our strategic goals.

Rhys Coulson

Principal

| CALENDAR OF EVENTS 2019 | |
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| Term 4 | |
| Friday 25 th October | Fairy Tale Fiasco Incursion - Foundation |
| Monday 4 th November | Pupil Free Day |
| Tuesday 5 th November | Melbourne Cup Public Holiday |
| Wednesday 6 th November | Year 6 Graduation Photo |
| Weds 6 th to Fri 8 th November | Year 3/4 Camp - Forest Edge  |
| Monday 11 th November | Remembrance Day |
| Friday 15 th November | Parent Workshop – Emotional Regulation 1.30pm to 2.30pm |
| Wednesday 20 th November | School Council Meeting – 7.30pm |
| Weds 20 th to Fri 22 nd November | Year 5/6 Camp - City |
| Friday 29 th November | Writer’s Festival Presentation |
| Tuesday 10 th December | Whole School Transition for 2020 Classes – Session 1 (11.30-12.30) |
| Wednesday 11 th December | Parent Helpers Morning Tea 10.40am to 11.10am School Council Meeting  |
| Thursday 12 th December | Christmas Carols |
| Friday 13 th December | Christmas Stall |
| Tuesday 17 th December | Whole School Transition for 2020 Classes – Session 2 (11.30-12.30) |
| Wednesday 18 th December | Year 6 Graduation Night |
| Thursday 19 th December | Class Parties |
| Friday 20 th December | Term 4 Ends – Students Dismissed at 1.30pm |
| TERM DATES 2020 | |
| Term 1 | Thursday 30 th January - Friday 27 th March |
| Term 2 | Tuesday 14 th April – Friday 26 th June |
| Term 3 | Monday 13 th July – Friday 18 th September |
| Term4 | Monday 5 th October – Friday 18 th December |

FROM THE OFFICE

Visitors Lanyards

Helpers and visitors if you have any lanyards at home please return them to the school office as soon as possible.

School Payments

- Year 5/6 Camp - Balance due Friday 8th Nov

2020 THPS SCHOOL CALENDAR



Planning for our 2020 calendar has begun. If you own a business or know of someone who does, please support our school by becoming an advertiser. Advertising costs \$130. For this, you get an advertisement on one of the months of the calendar. As a bonus, we are offering 8 free advertisements in our newsletter throughout the year. **Your advertisements dollars make our school calendar possible.** For further information please contact Anna in the school office on 9850 1796 or email anos.anna.a@edumail.vic.gov.au.

Remembrance Day Poppies



THPS will be participating in the 2019 Poppy Appeal in the lead up to Remembrance Day on November 11th. Representatives from the Junior School Council will be visiting classrooms each day, from November 6th to November 11th, selling poppy pins for \$2 and wristbands for \$3. Thank you in advance for supporting veterans and their families!



Active-a-thon and special lunch day

Thank you again to all the kids for participating and organising their sponsors. The active-a-thon sponsorship raised \$5629.09 and the Baker's Delight lunch orders raised \$168. Funds raised will pay to have the linemarkings repainted near the gym, the remainder will go towards the shade sails - stage 3.

Our prize winners drawn out in assembly were:

Zia (FN)

Sienna (1/2B)

Niki (3/4W)

Ashleigh (5/6T)

A big thank you to Rebel Sport Doncaster for supporting the THPS active-a-thon by generously donating the prizes - four \$25 Rebel vouchers.

YOUR SCHOOL COUNCIL NEEDS YOU!

Martin Roche has been our diligent Treasurer on the School Council for many years. Thanks Martin! As his youngest child Izzie graduates from Grade 6 this year, there will be a vacancy for this position. If you are an accountant or have a finance background and would like to contribute to our school at the grass roots level, please have a chat to Andrew or Rhys about what's involved.

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

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HIGH FLYERS WEEK 3 TERM 4

| Year | Name | Received Award.... |
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| 1/2R | Meshie | Congratulations Meshie! We are so proud of your positive attitude to all aspects of your school life. Even when presented with challenges in the classroom and playground you are self-regulating yourself to control your thoughts and actions toward others. Keep it up Meshie! |
| 5/6C | Ella | Ella, 56C have spotted you using the character strength of kindness throughout the year! Your words 'lift' us up, and you are always happy to support and care for others. You approach things with a 'growth mindset' and put in your best effort. Congratulations, Ella! You are a great role model for others! ☺ |
| 5/6P | Maryam | Displaying the character strength of 'Self-Regulation'. When being faced with a challenging situation, Maryam has shown making the right choice by reflecting on what is a better way to approach the situation and how the outcome has helped herself and others manage emotions and impulses positively. A fantastic step towards developing a 'growth mindset' Maryam!!! |
| 5/6T | Annika | For displaying the character strength of SELF REGULATION. Annika is a person who, without exception, is able to control her behaviour at school. She understands when she needs to listen, discuss or work independently. Annika is a great example for others to follow, avoiding distractions and not causing distractions. Well done Annika, you know how to control your actions! |
| 5/6W | Olivia | Olivia Green for displaying the character strength of Self-Regulation. You consistently control and maintain your emotions, thoughts and actions. You think carefully and critically about your choices to make the best decisions in all situation. Well done Olivia, keep it up! |



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