

Our News

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PRIMARY SCHOOL

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News from Templestowe Heights Primary School

Newsletter Term 1 Week 313th February 2020

Templestowe Heights Primary School Values

Persistence Respect Courage Responsibility
"inspiring learners for life"

Foundation Information Night - Thursday 13th February

PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

Student Voice Leaders

Congratulations to all students who have been voted by their peers to represent our school. As always, we are proud of all the students who displayed courage to stand in front of an audience and deliver a speech.

Environmental Captains	<i>Filippos and Cara</i>
STEM Captains	<i>Judah and Harry</i>
Art Captains	<i>Arlee and Yas</i>
Performing Arts Captain	<i>Sally and Kian</i>

Grade	JSC Rep	Enviro Rep	Grade	JSC Rep	Enviro Rep
FD	<i>Aleks</i>	<i>Arlo</i>	3/4A	<i>Gemma</i>	<i>Sophie</i>
FJ	<i>Harper</i>	<i>Eveleigh</i>	3/4B	<i>Jack</i>	<i>Willow</i>
FN	<i>Kai</i>	<i>Sean</i>	3/4F	<i>Talia</i>	<i>Odette</i>
FT	<i>Charlotte</i>	<i>Greg</i>	3/4H	<i>Chloe</i>	<i>Ari</i>
1/2B	<i>Cooper</i>	<i>Johnny</i>	3/4J	<i>Isabella</i>	<i>Naomi</i>
1/2M	<i>Ayra</i>	<i>Taihlar</i>	5/6C	<i>Hamish</i>	<i>Megan</i>
1/2P	<i>Isabella</i>	<i>Leo</i>	5/6L	<i>Stephanie</i>	<i>Anicia</i>
1/2V	<i>Michael</i>	<i>Bodhi</i>	5/6P	<i>Ayman</i>	<i>Gizelle</i>
1/2W	<i>Jayden</i>	<i>Julius</i>	5/6S	<i>Phoebe</i>	<i>Allena</i>
			5/6W	<i>Eden</i>	<i>Ben</i>

Parent/Guardian Information Evenings

Thank you to all our parents and guardians for attending the year 1-6 information evening. It was a big turn out and demonstrates how much our community values the home-school partnership. What was equally pleasing was that besides from two staff that were unavailable, all our teaching staff were present on the night and that speaks volumes for how committed our teachers are. Thank you also to Anna Sanos and her two "grown-up" kids for leading the free babysitting.

Welcome picnic

Next Friday is our annual Welcome Picnic. The purpose of this event is to allow families to come along with a picnic, rug and enjoy the evening meeting new and existing families. The staff will put on a BBQ so that the *Parents & Friends* can relax and enjoy the evening. Children will be able to burn off some energy on a jumping castle and our student-canteen leaders will also open up a canteen and sell icy poles.

Class Rep Meeting

On Friday (tomorrow) at 9:15am we will be hosting our first *Parents & Friends* meeting in the staffroom. This is an open invite for any parent or guardian that would like to attend. We would love to see all our class reps at this meeting, but please don't worry for those that would like to attend but can't, we will distribute minutes.



Basketball Association

This year we have 21 teams who will represent our school and compete in local competitions. **Sarah Mabin** (*Joshua 3/4J*) along with the Kate Stacker continue to do an outstanding job in coordinating all these teams. This once again reflects the strong sense of community that our school has, that so many children want to be a part of an initiative that connects them to our school, but more importantly introduces them to a team sport that is fun and helps them to make new friends.

Rhys Coulson

Principal

CALENDAR OF EVENTS 2020

Term 1

Thursday 13 th February	Foundation Parent/Guardian Information Evening 7.00pm – 8.00pm
Friday 14 th February	Class Reps and Parent Helpers Meeting –Staffroom - 9.15am
Wednesday 19 th February	School Council Meeting 7.30pm
Friday 21 st February	Welcome Picnic 6.00pm to 8.00pm (School Oval)
Monday 24 th February	District Swimming - 9am to 1pm
Monday 24 th to Friday 28 th Feb	Parent Teacher Discussions
Monday 9 th March	Labour day - Public Holiday
Tues 10 th to Tues 24 th March	Hot Cross Bun Drive – with Bakers Delight
Wednesday 18 th March	School Council Meeting 7.30pm
Friday 27 th March	Easter Raffle Drawn End of Term 1

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
Term 4	Monday 5 th October – Friday 18 th December

FROM THE OFFICE

School Helpers and Visitors

All parent/guardian helpers and visitors to the school must hold a valid WWC (Working With Children Check). Go to <https://www.workingwithchildren.vic.gov.au> to apply and present your card to the school office.

Compass News

Due to the high cost of processing payments via Compass we will no longer offering the Compass payment option. Consent only will be offered. Payments can only be made via Bpay or over the counter using cash or card.



SCHOOL BANKING

School banking has recommenced on Thursdays. Bring your child's banking books along on this day to watch their saving grow.

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.

All helpers are required to hold a Working With Children Check which is free of charge. To apply for your WWC go to www.workingwithchildren.vic.gov.au/

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 3rd April 2020. For more information visit the above web site.

You will only need to submit an application form in 2020 if any of the following changes have occurred:

- **new student enrolments:** your child has started or changed schools in 2020 or you did not apply at the same school in 2019 or
- **changed family circumstances:** such as a change of custody, change of name, concession card number, or new siblings commencing at the school in 2020.



A warm welcome to our new Prep families who have joined our community this week.

Term 1 Class Rep/Parents & Friends meeting

Our first Parents & Friends/Class Rep meeting of 2020 will be held in the Staff Room on Friday 14th 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 21st 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.

In light of the recent devastating bushfires, this year we will donate all funds raised from the Welcome Picnic to our local Warrandyte CFA.

Buzz list

Class Reps have been appointed and buzz lists are being collated for distribution in coming weeks. Buzz list is a family contact list compiled for each class. Please confirm your invitation to join the buzz list on Compass (under 'Events') so that you can be included.

Working With Children Check

Anyone who helps in any capacity at school must have a WWCC. It's free and easy to apply for online at <https://wwcv.auspost.com.au/>

THPS Social Events facebook page

Join the THPS closed facebook group by searching for THPS Social Events or using the link...

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

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

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



HIGH FLYERS WEEK 2 TERM 1

Year	Name	Received Award....
1/2P	Zara	This week, you were nominated by your teacher for demonstrating our school values and the character strength <u>gratitude</u> . You are kind and show appreciation for others. You have started year 1 with a can-do attitude. Zara, you listen with your whole body and have been remembering to use your thinking thumbs to share your thoughts with the class. I am so impressed by your effort, enthusiasm and stamina. Keep up the amazing work Zara! You shine ☺
1/2V	Michael	This week, you were nominated by your teacher for demonstrating our school values and the character strength <u>gratitude</u> . What a fantastic start to the year you have made Michael! I have been so impressed with your enthusiasm and hard work in 1/2V. You always give everything your absolute best and help those around you. Thank you for bringing brightness to our classroom ☺
1/2W	Zoe	Congratulations to Zoe on a fantastic start to year one at her new school! She has demonstrated the school value of courage by sharing her ideas with the class, participating in new learning experiences and making friends. We look forward to spending the year with you!
3/4A	Samuel	Samuel, you have settled in so well to 3/4A and Templestowe Heights, it is as if you were always here! This award is to congratulate you on your efforts to build new relationships and practise gratitude and mindfulness! In your first days at Templestowe Heights you have shown that you have resilience, perseverance and a love of learning. We look forward to learning more about you! Well done Samuel, keep it up! ☺
3/4B	Christina	Congratulations on an excellent start to 2020! You have already demonstrated our wellbeing focus of showing compassion. Today you very kindly shared something of yours with someone who had lost theirs. You have practised putting yourself in someone else's shoes and shown empathy. We are so lucky to have you in our grade!
3/4F	Cameron	Cameron, you have settled into THPS and become a very valuable member of 3/4F. You consistently show gratitude through your appreciation towards all of your peers that have helped you find your way around the school. You are a pleasure to have in our class ☺
3/4H	Rose	Congratulations on an amazing start to 2020! You have such a positive attitude towards everything and use the character strength humour to make others feel comfortable. This week you have demonstrated gratitude several times by being appreciative for what others do for you and consistently focusing on the good things in your life. Well done!
3/4J	Naomi	Ever since we started back at school together, you have shown absolute respect for everyone, including the teachers, every day. Thank you Naomi. You have also demonstrated that you have courage in your heart, by being the very first person to stand up in front of the class to apply for our Environmental Leader role. You did a great application and then you relaxed and listened to all the others. Well done. to 34J's new environmental Captain! ☺ ☺
5/6L	Judah	Congratulations Judah! You peers nominated you for showing your teamwork! You have been recognised as someone who is able of work with different people and making sure others feel supported. You also demonstrated bravery and persistence at the swimming carnival. You gave races a go and didn't give up. 5/6L is proud of you!
5/6P	Yas	Yas, 5/6P have loved how grateful you were for receiving the Art Leader. You demonstrated kindness, empathy for others who missed out and an overwhelming excitement to have the opportunity of being a leader amongst your peers. This uplifts our class and allowed everyone to see your positive energy shine through.
5/6S	Joshua	For demonstrating the character strength of GRATITUDE. Joshua expresses his gratitude to me on a daily basis with a smile on his face and a, 'thank you for teaching me'.
5/6W	Indi	Congratulations to Indi for Displaying the character strength of Bravery. You demonstrated incredible courage when you shared your vulnerability in our class, even though we've only just started our journey together this year! Well done Indi!

Get social and build friendships at OSHC!

An experience in outside school hours care is an experience in forming friendships. You get more than care with OSHC - building confidence, learning life skills and having fun, while trying something new. OSHC is a great way for children to step out of their comfort zone and to get to know some students at their school they may not have otherwise met.

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It's FREE to Register. (and if you want to use OSHC, you first need to register).

Register at pp.campaustralia.com.au/account/login. Once registered, it's easy to make and manage your bookings online via our Parent Portal.

You may be eligible to claim subsidies on your care usage!

If eligible, to help you with the cost of childcare, you may be entitled to receive the Australian Government Child Care Subsidy. Visit my.gov.au to find out more.

For more information on our service and fees, visit our website www.campaustralia.com.au.

Alternatively, come and meet the team in the OSHC room. We'd love to meet you, and you can find out more about OSHC from our friendly, qualified Educators.

We look forward to seeing you and your family soon!

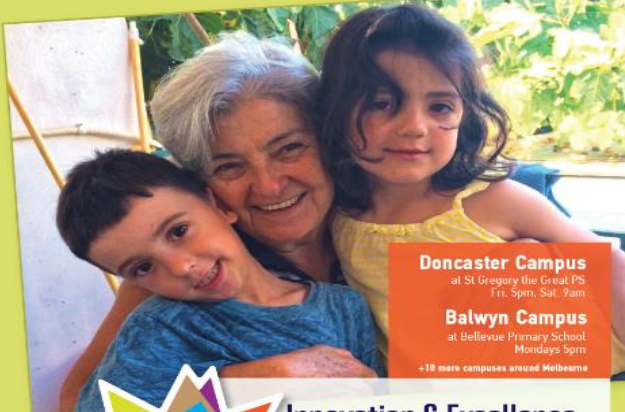
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BASKETBALL NEWS



Season 1 2020 commences

Week of 17th February

MORE BASKETBALL PLAYERS NEEDED!

We still have a few spots in some of our teams.

For more information or if your child would like to join a team,
Please let us know ASAP. Team numbers will be finalised over the weekend.

No previous experience necessary.

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If you would like more information, please email Sarah sarahmabin@optusnet.com.au

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Discover the adventure!

Try three sessions for FREE!
3rd Templestowe Scout Group

Cub Scouts (Ages 7-10) – Thursdays 7:00 – 8:30pm
Scouts (Ages 11-14) – Tuesdays 7:00-9:00pm

3rd Templestowe Scout Hall – Wombat Bend,
corner Duncan Street, Riverwood Ln
Templestowe Lower VIC 3107

For more information contact Francis
francis.killackey@gmail.com – 0490 473 378



DONCASTER
SECONDARY COLLEGE

2020 Open Night

**Tuesday,
17 March 2020**

6.00pm
Tours commence from
the Performance Centre

6.45pm
Final Tour

7.30pm
Principal's Address



ADDITIONAL COLLEGE TOURS by appointment
please book online <https://www.doncastersc.vic.edu.au/college-tours/>

SEAL Testing Friday, 24 April 2020



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DARK HORSE CHESS

CHESS CLASSES

TERM 1, 2020



Templestowe Heights
Primary School

Children have great fun playing chess!

Chess is a wonderful game which enhances skills such as: Problem Solving, Pattern Recognition, Analytical, Visualisation, Concentration and Social Skills.

Dark Horse Chess invite students to participate in Term 1 chess classes, commencing on **Wednesday 19th February**. 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: Wednesday Lunchtimes at 1pm

Class Location: 3/4B classroom

Class Dates: 19/02, 26/02, 04/03, 11/03, 18/03, 25/03.

Price (inc. GST): \$12.00 per lesson × 6 lessons = total cost of \$72.00.

Enquiries: admin@darkhorsechess.com

Registration is due at the school office by Wednesday 19th February. 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.



DARK HORSE CHESS

TEMPLESTOWE HEIGHTS PRIMARY SCHOOL
CHESS REGISTRATION - TERM 1, 2020

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):

☐ **Bank Transfer** → Please also notify admin@darkhorsechess.com. [Preferred]

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

Email: Phone:



Templestowe Heights
Primary School

TEAM REGISTRATION
PRIMARY SCHOOL BASKETBALL COMPETITION
2020 – SEASON 1



Dear Parents

Thank you for choosing to register your child in the Primary School Basketball Competition for season 1 2020 to represent Templestowe Heights Primary School. This competition is run by the Bulleen Boomers and takes place **after school** on various days depending on your child's age and gender. The season runs for 2 terms. Children from Grades 1 to 6 can take part.

Team Registrations will **close on 20th December 2019, late registrations may not be accepted.**

Below is some information about the competition:

Monday nights -	Grade 5/6 Boys and Girls
Tuesday nights -	Grade 3/4 Boys
Wednesday nights -	Grade 1/2 Girls & Boys
Thursday nights -	Grade 3/4 Girls



Season 1 will commence early in February and run through to late May with finals in June.

Uniforms – each new player will need to buy their uniform from school, which consists of shorts and a singlet (\$50*). Samples are in the school office for sizing. Please use this link if you need to buy a uniform

<https://www.trybooking.com/BGSVG>

Coaches and managers are needed, we can't run a team without volunteers. Please let us know if you would like to volunteer.

Team Registration – a fee of \$20* will need to be paid to cover team registration and insurance using this link <https://www.trybooking.com/575143> as soon as possible so we have an idea of player numbers. **YOU WILL NEED TO PAY FOR THIS ONLINE, PLEASE DO NOT BPAY TO SCHOOL.**

Player Registration/Match fees - You will also need to register your child online with the Bulleen Boomers. The Boomers' season fee is usually around \$80 - \$100 which covers the matches played for the season. We will provide you with the link when we receive it before the season starts.

Training – will be at school in the gym before, during or after school, depending on the coach and gym availability.

Please register your interest as soon as possible for new players, so we can ensure there is space in a team.

(*a Trybooking fee of 50c will be charged in addition to these costs per transaction by Trybooking.)

SARAH MABIN & KATE STACKER

SCHOOL DELEGATES

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