

Our News

News from Templestowe Heights Primary School



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Newsletter Term 1 Week 4

20th February 2020

Templestowe Heights Primary School Values

Persistence

Respect

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Responsibility

"inspiring learners for life"



Welcome Picnic Friday 21st Feb 6.00pm to 8.00pm
Parent Teacher Discussions Monday 24th to Friday 28th February
(Booking Now Open Via COMPASS)



Badge Presentation Assembly this Friday at 2.30pm

PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

Parent/Guardian Information Evenings

Thank you to all our families who were able to come along to our information evenings. Both the Foundation and the Year 1-6 information evenings were well attended, again reflecting the value of parents and carers have in the home-school partnership. The slides were sent out via Compass in our weekly Monday afternoon communication.



Welcome picnic

This coming Friday is our annual Welcome Picnic. While the weather forecast is not ideal we will push ahead with the event. This is always a relaxed and enjoyable time for families, both new and old to come together and celebrate the start of the school year. It is also a chance to meet other families and have a chat to staff. There will be a sausage sizzle that our staff will be cooking, with all food sourced and organised by our wonderful *Parents & Friends*. All proceeds from the BBQ will go to the Warrandyte CFA.

We will monitor the weather radar throughout Friday and if there is expected rainfall during the event we will unfortunately cancel the event and let all families know via Compass.

Class Rep Meeting

Last Friday our *Parents & Friends* hosted the first meeting for the year and wow what a turn out it was! The staffroom was standing room only, once again showing just how strong our community is. I was blown away with how parents and carers are interested in helping out and supporting Templestowe Heights Primary. Thank you so much to the "Fab-four" of Oula (Cooper 3/4B and Tilly 1/2M), Cecile (Sydney 5/6P, Quentin 3/4J and Florence 1/2B), Sarah (Josh 3/4J) and Fiona (Jack 3/4B) for leading our *Parents & Friends*, we are looking forward to a big year.

Crossing un-supervision

Unfortunately Manningham City Council have informed us that they are finding it difficult to find replacement crossing supervisors. During this time it is so important that we are mindful of all students crossing and ensuring their behaviours are safe.

Foods containing nuts

Due to the fact (like all schools) we have students that are anaphylactic to nuts, we **strongly discourage students** bringing foods containing nuts to school. As part of our anaphylaxis policy, we ensure the safety of all students with severe or anaphylactic reactions. If a child does accidentally bring food to school containing nuts, we must ensure that there is no chance of contamination.

Thank you Martin

Last night was the last Council meeting for the 2019 year. At our meeting we farewelled our longest standing Treasurer, Martin Roche. Martin has served on Council for 8 years and during that time has provided invaluable support from a school-financial perspective. Martin was treasurer when Templestowe Heights Primary merged with Manningham Park Primary and oversaw some tight fiscal measures. Due to the decisions made at the time, it was through Martin's expertise and decisions made that our school is financially viable once more. Martin's, commitment, passion and professionalism has set the bar extremely high, his forensic analysis of the school's finances over the years has been a testament to the strong financial position.

School Council Nominations

Ever considered wanting to become a school councillor? Or curious to know more about what the role entails? Attached to this newsletter is information about what functions School Council has, in particular ensuring we continue to improve as a learning community. In this newsletter is information about nominating to represent Templestowe Heights Primary as a School Councillor, and further information about the functions of School Council and timelines about the election process. Nominations close Thursday 27th February.

Parent/Teacher discussions

Just a reminder that next week are our first parent/teacher discussions. The purpose of these discussions are for parents and guardians and teachers to meet in order to find out how their child has settled into the new school year. It is also an opportunity to ask any clarifying questions about anything you are unsure about. The home-school partnership is vital in ensuring we provide a supportive and positive environment for our students. If you haven't already done so, you can book a time using the Compass App.

Badge presentation Assembly 2:30pm

Just as a reminder that this Friday (21st Feb) that as part of our whole school assembly, we are having the badge presentation for all Junior School Councillors and Enviro Leaders. Our special guest is School Council President Dr. David Barnes who will be presenting the badges to our students.

Rhys Coulson

Principal

CALENDAR OF EVENTS 2020

Term 1

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

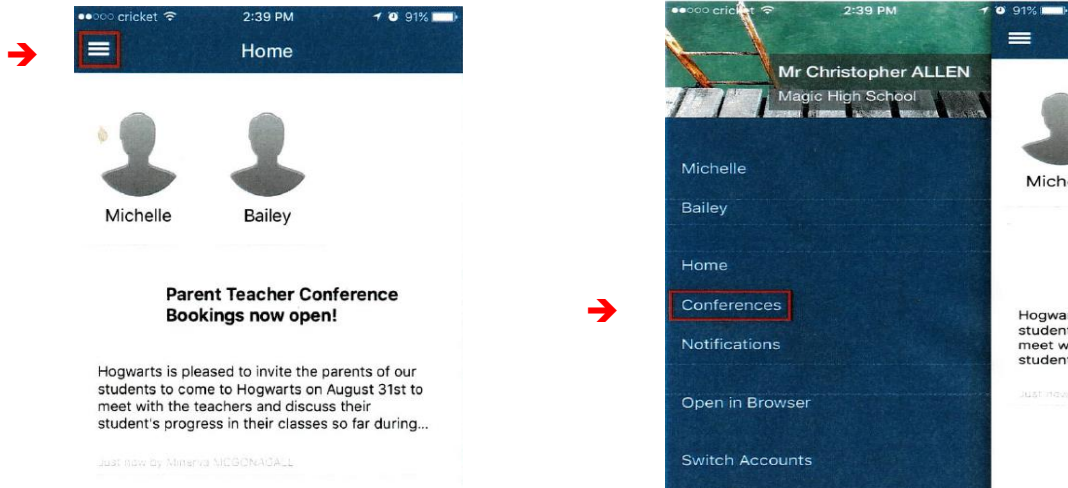
FROM THE OFFICE

School Fees

2020 essential items school fees are due on 28th February if paying in full. Payments can be made by online via Bpay or over the counter at the school office by card or cash.

Parent Teacher Discussions Booking on COMPASS

To book your parent teacher discussion on Compass, **click on the 3 line symbol on the top left hand corner of your screen**, then select **'Conferences'** from the list



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.

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.



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. Bouncing Castle to entertain the kids.

In light of the recent devastating bushfires, this year we will donate all funds raised from the Welcome Picnic to our local Warrandyte CFA. If you would like to donate online www.warrandytecfa.org.au/donate/

Our wonderful teachers will be cooking and selling sausages and drinks at the picnic. Our enthusiastic Canteen Committee kids will be selling Berri Quelch icy sticks from the Canteen.

Price list:

\$2.50 sausage/onions in bread

\$2.00 soft drinks

\$1.00 juice boxes

\$1.00 Berri Quelch

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

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 <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

HIGH FLYERS WEEK 3 TERM 1

Year	Name	Received Award....
1/2B	Cooper	Congratulations on being elected as our class JSC, you are a 'great fit' for this role. You have grown in confidence and we love your smile. Keep stepping up to the challenge of year one!
1/2P	Quinlan	This week, you were nominated by your teacher for demonstrating our school values and the character strength <u>perseverance</u> . You are an excellent role model and have the confidence to speak in front of the class with enthusiasm. Quinlan, you have impressed me by showing you are supportive of your classmates and you have been remembering to use your thinking thumbs to share your thoughts with the class. I am so impressed by your effort, enthusiasm and perseverance. Keep up the amazing work Quinlan! 😊
1/2V	Isis	This week, you were nominated by your teacher for demonstrating our school values and the character strength <u>gratitude</u> . Isis you superstar!! You have amazed me with how attentive and well-mannered you are. You are quick to help anyone in need, and I can always count on you to be polite, respectful and generous. Thank you for sharing your jokes with 1/2V and bringing you positive attitude to school everyday.
1/2W	Isabella	Congratulations to Isabella on a fantastic start to year two! She is a model THPS student, consistently demonstrating the school values and striving to achieve her personal best. Isabella is a friend to all, showing kindness, patience and gratitude. It is a pleasure to have you in our class!
	Miller	Congratulations to Miller on a fantastic start to year two! He has demonstrated a positive attitude towards his learning, embraced opportunities to get to know his new classmates and jumped at chances to try new things. 1/2W especially appreciates his willingness to assist others during computer sessions. Keep up the growth mindset!
3/4A	Scott	You have started every day this year with a smile on your face and a determined, positive attitude. You have shown gratitude each day for things big and small and have demonstrated your ability to show compassion for those around you! You have settled in so well to grade 3 showing persistence in every lesson and always trying to do your best! Such an amazing effort Scott, keep it up! 😊
3/4B	Sally	Well done to you Sally because you have been spotted for demonstrating Gratitude in a very different way this week. In your text responses during our Reading lessons, you have connected to different texts with an emotional response and shown that reading about someone else has made you grateful for your life! This is very deep level thinking and we are enjoying you sharing your heart with us, Happy Valentine's Day!
3/4F	Ashley	Ashley, you have been a thoughtful friend to everybody in 3/4F over the past three weeks. You always ensure that your peers have somebody to talk to during think/pair/share and consistently use kind words to ensure that each person feels appreciated in our classroom. Your positive actions have demonstrated how grateful you are for the wonderful friends you have at THPS.
3/4H	Tom	Congratulations Tom on a fantastic week. You have shown the character strengths of kindness and generosity in helping other members of our class in a quiet and humble manner. It has been great to see you participate regularly in our class discussions – asking insightful questions and providing wonderful insight into the topics we cover. Well done and keep it up!
3/4J	Isabella	For your generous lending of equipment to help in a lesson, which shows great kindness. Thank you. For your friendliness towards others and for your leadership as our new Junior School councillor. Thank you again. A great start to the year 😊
5/6L	Maddie	Maddie, this week your class has spotted you using Teamwork. During Google Classrooms, you were our go to expert to solve any tech issues. You help others with

		ease and love. You have also been a huge help to helping Miss Laidlaw learn how to play rounders! Thank you for showing teamwork, 5/6L appreciate it!
5/6P	Paige	Welcome to THPS Paige, you have settled in beautifully! Both your peers and I are grateful for your informative and thoughtful contributions during class discussions and having the courage to share your writing when it is still in its draft form.
	Ayman	Ayman, 5/6P have appreciated the way in which you demonstrated a high level of gratitude for receiving the JSC class rep role for the first semester. Your preparation, dedication and commitment in which you presented your speech was evident, where you entertained and persuaded the class to vote for you to represent 5/6P. Congratulations to you, Ayman!
5/6W	Ben	Congratulations to Ben Staggers for displaying the character strength of Kindness. You are always considerate of others' feelings and think of how to make them feel better if they are upset. Thank you for being such a kind person Ben! You make 5/6W such a welcoming place for your peers!



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There will be an information evening on Wednesday 4th March at 7.00pm in St. Gregory's Parish Hall.



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Cub Scouts (Ages 7-10) - Thursdays 7:00 - 8:30pm
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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



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2020 Open Night

**Tuesday,
17 March 2020**

6.00pm
Tours commence from the Performance Centre

6.45pm
Final Tour

7.30pm
Principal's Address



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please book online <https://www.doncastersc.vic.edu.au/college-tours/>

SEAL Testing Friday, 24 April 2020



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Term 1 and 2

Monday & Friday
9:15 am – 12:15 pm [6 hours]

Term 3 and 4

Monday & Friday
9:15 am – 1:15 pm [8 hours]

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TERM 1, 2020



Templestowe Heights
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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):

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

Email: Phone: