

News from Templestowe Heights Primary School





Newsletter Term 2 Week 4

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Templestowe Heights Primary School Values

Persistence

Respect Courage "inspiring learners for life" Responsibility



PRINCIPAL'S REPORT







Dance Challenge

Trying to have some **fun and staying connected** during these challenging times is really important. As a staff we wanted to create a video to show our community that we too are human, that we are also self-isolating at home with our families.

School Captains Gemma and Sidney have now given our community a dance challenge. You can see the video below and it is also found on our online learning portal home page. It will also be posted to your Google classrooms tomorrow (Friday) morning.

https://sites.google.com/education.vic.gov.au/thpsonlineremotelearning/home

We are now challenging families (or just students) to make a dance with accompanying music and post it onto our specially created Dance Google Classroom. You may want to do a similar dance to those found on Tik Tok, but please remember this App is for 13+ year olds, so adults can only download this App onto their devices. A more appropriate App is called GROM – Social Networking for Kids and this is for 4+ years.

Using your child's Google Classroom account, all families can join this Classroom with this code: 2hcvfgf

Once you're in, you'll be able to post your video and watch all the others as well.

Pupil free day postponed

We will be postponing our planned pupil-free day, scheduled for Monday 25th May. This day was set aside for professional learning aligned to our strategic goals and targets. We will inform our community when a new date has been confirmed to give families as much time as possible to make alternative arrangements.

End Date to State of Emergency

We have had no indication of what will happen on Monday 11th May when the state of emergency date expires. While Premier Dan Andrews has made mention that some restrictions may be lifted, no one is sure about when the start date will be for schools to reopen. We'll all be watching and listening with keen interest this coming days for the next stage and steps to get us through this pandemic.

Taking Care of Ourselves

Once again can I thank everyone; THPS staff, students, parents and carers for working hard and trying the best they can in these trying circumstances. As I continually say, it is our mental health and wellbeing that is more important than anything else.

Remember that we are all experiencing good and bad days, slow mornings, 'on fire' sessions and some frustrating moments. Checking-in with each other, ensuring we have our own self-care as a priority, trumps any other focus. If this means taking a morning, afternoon or day off to do something different...or nothing at all, this is ok. No child will be behind when we return to school, we are all in the same set of circumstances and are doing the best we can.

Mother's Day

For those families that are in a position to, I hope they have an opportunity to thank our mothers, grandmothers and all other special adults this Sunday for Mother's Day.

Rhys Coulson

Principal

CALENDAR OF EVENTS 2020	
Term 2 – Events postponed until further notice	
Sunday 10 th May	Mother's Day
Friday 29 th May	Year 7 Application For Year 7 Placement Forms Due
Monday 8 th June	Queen's Birthday Public Holiday
Friday 26 th June	Term 2 Ends
TERM DATES 2020	
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 Opening Hours

The school office will be <u>open from 8.30am to 4.00pm everyday</u>. Should you have any enquires after time please call us on 9850 1796 or email us at <u>templestowe.heights.ps@ed umail.vic.gov.au</u>.

Year 6 to 7 Transition

Parents and guardians of Year 6 students please note that the return date of the Year 7 Placement form has been expended to **Friday 29 May.**

2021 Fondation Enrolments

We are currently taking enrolments for 2021. If you know of any families who have children to enrol for 2021 or you have younger siblings that you have not yet enrolled please obtain an enrolment form by contacting the office on 9850 1796 or email <u>templestowe.heights.ps@edumail.vic.gov.au</u>.





Happy Mother's Day to all our THPS mums!

We wish all our mums, grandmothers and guardians a wonderful Mother's Day on Sunday.

Mother's Day gift craft activities

The annual THPS Mother's Day Stall is an event the kids love, giving them the opportunity to thoughtfully choose a gift for their mum, grandmother or another special person. Due to the necessary cancellation of this event, we decided to put together some suggestions of gifts the kids can create themsleves at home, using items/ingredients you probably already have.

Please see the attached flyer, the links below and the video link of one of our School Captains, Sidney, and his siblings Quentin and Florence making heart bookmarks.

Heart corner bookmark https://www.easypeasyandfun.com/heart-corner-bookmarks/

Paper rose heart card https://www.easypeasyandfun.com/rose-filled-heart-card/

Homemade bath bombs https://www.redtedart.com/bath-bombs-recipe-gifts-kids-can-make/

Hand and body scrub https://fountainavenuekitchen.com/easy-hand-body-sugar-scrub/

Delight now delivering bread

Our local Macedon Plaza Bakers Delight have launched a bread delivery service during this period of isolation. Call or order online for delivery on Tuesdays and Saturdays, with a special discount of 10% being offered to all our THPS families/friends/staff. <u>https://bit.ly/bdmp-deliveries</u> For conditions and more info please see attached flyer.

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

Easy hand and body scrub

Pamper mum with this easy to make scrub using pantry ingredients https://fountainavenuekitchen.com/easy-hand-body-sugar-scrub/

Paper rose heart card

A home made papercraft card for the older kids to create https://www.easypeasyandfun.com/rose-filled-heart-card/



FOR ALL OUR THPS MUMS HAPPY MOTHER'S DAY!





Home made Bath bombs Mum can relax in the bath with these bath bombs made by the kids https://www.redtedart.com/bath-bombs-recipe-gifts-kids-can-make,

Heart corner bookmark An easy paper craft bookmark for kids of all ages

https://www.easypeasyandfun.com/heart-corner-bookmarks/



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Exciting activities in OSHC this week.

We thank you for all your continued support and patience through these challenging times. We understand Outside School Hours Care is vital for many parents that are not able to work from home, so that you can continue to provide essential work for the nation.

Our OSHC service is open and operating for those that need our care, and will provide your children with much-needed familiarity and continuity through our engaging programs that have an increased focus on hygiene and social distancing.

Having spent the day in a classroom, children need the opportunity and space to explore their own interests and unleash their imaginations – whether that be trying new sports, craft, cooking and much, much more.

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

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

Visit our blog for helpful information and fun activities.

<u>New articles are added each week for parents and cover various topics to help families. This month we are focusing</u> on all things COVID-19. We talk about how to adjust to the changes you've made in your household, including fun activity ideas to entertain your child at home.

Visit the blog here: https://campaustralia.com.au/blog



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Bakers Delight Macedon Plaza is now offering deliveries on Tuesdays and Saturdays to our local area (see map below or online).

Orders can be made online or over the phone.

A special discount of 10% is also being offered to parents/friends/teachers of Templestowe Heights Primary School!

Enter the Coupon code: **THPS10%** and select **Templestowe Heights PS** as your school to get your discount online or mention the code and school for over the phone orders.

For all the details and to place your order visit: <u>https://bit.ly/bdmp-deliveries</u> or call 9850 4822.

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