





News from Templestowe Heights Primary School

9850 1796

Newsletter Term 2 Week 6

21st May 2020

### Templestowe Heights Primary School Values

Persistence

Respect

Courage

Responsibility

"inspiring learners for life"

#### Monday 25th May – Pupil Free Day

### Tuesday 26th May Foundation, Year 1 and 2 Students Return to School

#### PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

#### **Return to Face-to-Face Teaching**

This coming Tuesday our Foundation-Year 2 students will be commencing back at school. We understand that for many children, they will be feeling apprehensive, and that's ok. As a staff we have put actions in place to ensure Templestowe Heights Primary is a safe place to come to.

As we transition back to face to face teaching, there will be a mixture of emotions that all children will be experiencing (some more than others). It is important that our focus when we resume is as much about building positive relationships, as it is about the academics. Ensuring our students feel



comfortable, settled and safe is necessary before we can hope to teach students anything. Having a set routine and structure is also vital. Please understand that we know the health and wellbeing of our students is paramount at this time. Our amazing teachers are planning the return to school activities to ensure this is at the forefront of their decisions.

Just to clarify any confusion arrival time and the wording of "gates." Students can access ANY entrance point they like along High Street. There will be staff at every entrance point (gate) to welcome students (including St. Mark's Church entrance) and to offer support for those students that may be tentative about coming into the school grounds without their parent or carer.

Our school captains Gemma and Sidney have also created a video to help students remember what new things they have to do when they start back on Tuesday. You can see the link here or find it on our Online Learning portal.

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

#### Pupil Free Days – a new one on Friday 26th June

Just as a reminder, there will be a pupil free day on Monday 25<sup>th</sup> May. Please ensure families make alternative arrangements. Last night School Council elected to allocate our DET-nominate pupil-free day on the last day of term 2, Friday 26<sup>th</sup> June.

On this day it will be for teachers to plan the teaching and learning program for the commencement of term 3. This planning week usually takes place towards the end of a school term, but we felt this will be yet another disruptive event as we are trying to consolidate and settle all students as they return to school. Having it on the last day means that there is no disruption to a week. Camp Australia will be providing a care and supervision program on this day.

Rhys Coulson Principal

CALENDAR OF EVENTS 2020	
Term 2	
Monday 25 <sup>th</sup> May	Pupil Free Day
Friday 29 <sup>th</sup> May	Year 7 Application For Year 7 Placement Forms Due
Monday 8 <sup>th</sup> June	Queen's Birthday Public Holiday
Thursday 25 <sup>th</sup> June	Last Day of School For Students
Friday 26 <sup>th</sup> June	Pupil Free Day
	Term 2 Ends
TERM DATES 2020	
Term 2	Tuesday 14 <sup>th</sup> April – Friday 26 <sup>th</sup> June
Term 3	Monday 13 <sup>th</sup> July – Friday 18 <sup>th</sup> September
Term 4	Monday 5 <sup>th</sup> October – Friday 18 <sup>th</sup> December

#### FROM THE OFFICE

#### **School Office Opening Hours**

From Monday 25<sup>th</sup> May school office operating hour will resume as normal. 8.30am to 4.30pm. If you have any enquiries please contact us on 9850 1796 or at <a href="mailto:templestowe.heights.ps@edumail.vic.gov.au">templestowe.heights.ps@edumail.vic.gov.au</a>.

#### 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 extended to Friday 29 May.

#### **Sick Bay Information**

For those parents and guardians who have taken their child's medication home during this time please ensure it is returned to the school when they recommence. Children without the appropriate and up to date medication may be excluded from returning to school.

#### 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 templestowe.heights.ps@edumail.vic.gov.au.

#### St Mark's Church Eastern Carpark Closed

Construction of the new entrance at St Marks Church is now underway. The driveway in front of the entrance is closed and a section of the Eastern car park (Top carpark) has also been fenced off. In addition workers park in this area and trucks will enter from time to time. Therefore, the Eastern car park is no longer available for school parking. Parents who still want to drop off children at St Mark's please use the Western car park, first driveway off High Street, and go up the steps next to the Memorial Garden then through the gate OR walk along High Street to the School entrance. The construction is expected to be completed by the end of August Thank you to those effected for their ongoing cooperation.



#### THPS 50th Anniversary Celebrations postponed to 2021

Unfortunately, due to current circumstances, the fete and festivities surrounding the 50th anniversary of our school have been postponed until November 2021.

#### Bakers Delight delivering bread everyday

Our local Macedon Plaza Bakers Delight now have a bread delivery service (for deliveries every day) as well as 'click and collect' during this period of isolation. Call or order online, with a special discount of 10% being offered to all our THPS families/friends/teachers.

For orders and more info please see <a href="https://bit.ly/bdmp-orders">https://bit.ly/bdmp-orders</a>

#### **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



#### **BABY FIRST AID ESSENTIALS PACKAGE**

#### Online Baby First Aid Training

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## **Calm Parents Happy Kids**

#### Learn How to Tame Your Temper for Better Behaved Kids

#### Do you want to:

- Understand what drives your parental anger?
- · Find strategies to reduce your frustration?
- · Reduce the friction in your home?
- Let go of your guilt and shame?
- Learn valuable behaviour management strategies for your children?
- Get your children to listen to you?

Come along to these 5 sessions and learn valuable lifelong strategies, whilst taking some time out for you!

Wednesdays (5 evening sessions) 6th May to 3rd June 2020

#### Time:

7.00-8.30 pm

#### Where

Join us live via Zoom

#### Cost

Free of charge. Bookings essential

#### Bookings:

Laurie on 0488 501 204 or laurie.arrowsmith@anglicarevic.org.au



anglicarevic.org.au

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#### NDIS – INFORMATION SESSION

#### Getting the Most Out of Your NDIS Plan

#### What is the session about?

If you find yourself saying "I have my NDIS plan; what are the next steps?", then this session could be for you! We have developed this information session for people with disability and their families or carers. The information and resources you will receive at the session have been designed to assist you to gain maximum benefit when putting your plan into action.

During the session, you will gain knowledge about key NDIS concepts, be given many useful suggestions and tips, and feel more empowered and confident in how to implement your NDIS plan. We'll also have a guest speaker from a peer support organisation sharing their valuable insights.

We conduct our sessions using accessible materials and programs. We can provide captioning or Auslan interpreting if needed. We will provide a transcript of the session afterwards.

#### When and where is the session being held?

#### When:

Part 1 - Wednesday 20th May 2020 from 11:00am to 12:30pm.

Part 2 - Friday 22nd May 2020 from 11:00am to 12:30pm.

Where: online - a link and information for joining will be sent to registered participants prior to the session date.

#### Who is running the session?

The session is designed and delivered by staff with a disability from the Disability Loop team at AFDO (Australian Federation of disability Organisations). AFDO and its member organisations are run by and for people with lived experience of disability. Disability Loop is a program that aims to make information about the NDIS easier to find, understand, and use.

#### There are lots of NDIS sessions, how is ours different?

As people with lived experience of disability ourselves, we are better able to focus on the needs of people with disability. The information session was written using plain language, which makes complicated concepts easier to understand. The session is free to attend and specifically for people with disability and their families!

You will also receive a detailed information pack with many relevant and useful handouts.

Bookings are essential for planning and accessibility purposes. Please register by 13 May 2020. For more information and to register, visit:

www.disabilityloop.eventbrite.com or Call: (03) 9662 3324





# FREE WEBINAR RETURNING TO SCHOOL - PREPARING FOR CHANGE



Be part of an interactive hour where you get the opportunity to listen, share and learn with parents/carers, teachers and others who support individuals on the autism spectrum.

As COVID-19 restrictions ease, schools across the country are managing the return of students. For students on the autism spectrum, returning to a school environment that may look, feel and operate very differently, may present its challenges.

We invite you to join us for a Q&A webinar where we will have the opportunity to explore some of the questions and concerns you may have about your child's return to school.

There are two different session times to choose from.

Tuesday 19 May, 2020 – 12:00pm AEST Tuesday 19 May, 2020 – 7:30pm AEST

All of our webinars are free and participants that attend receive a certificate following the completion of the webinar.







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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.

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