





3<sup>rd</sup> December 2020

News from Templestowe Heights Primary School

Newsletter Term 4 Week 9

Templestowe Heights Primary School Values

Persistence

Respect

Courage "inspiring learners for life" Responsibility

Friday 18th December - Term 4 Ends

Students Dismissed at 1.30pm



#### PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

#### 2021 Classes - Please Trust Us

This coming Tuesday (11:30-12:30pm) students in Foundation-Year 5 will be meeting their new 2021 class teacher, in their classroom with their future classmates. The process to create the classes is challenging, as staff need to consider the complexities of assembling a group of children together with so many factors at play.

Change can be challenging for many children as they realise they are moving to a new space that is unfamiliar. This is a time when children will be moving out of their comfort zone and into the unknown. It is typical behaviour for your child to feel worried prior to, as well as after, meeting



their new class. Please resist the temptation to contact us because you are concerned your child is not happy with the teacher, classroom or classmates. This is an aspect of how we grow resilience and something we all need to flourish as adults.



#### Foundation 360° Virtual Tour

This week our 2021 Foundation students participated in their final small-group transition session. These sessions have been highly successful, providing students with the opportunity to jump out of their comfort zone and experience a new environment with adults and children they are yet to become familiar with. Due to the restrictions of not being able to have parents and children

participate in a comprehensive onsite transition program this year, we have developed a virtual tour.

The purpose of this virtual tour is to allow children to sit with their parents or carers and explore the physical environments they will use daily, understand some of the routines and meet (virtually) the staff that they will learn together with. Children can spin 360° and click on the question marks for further video clips and information.

A big thank you to the Foundation Team for planning this initiative. We are very excited about the finished product, you can click on the link below to will take you to the specially designed site via QR-code or website:



#### https://bit.ly/th-ps-360-walkthrough-2021

#### **A Special Visitor**

For three consecutive mornings and afternoons, police have been visible to ensure safe and lawful driving behaviours are practised by members of our community driving along High Street. On Wednesday morning at drop-off time a handful of students were fortunate enough to meet members of the Doncaster Police Traffic Unit.



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#### More baby News!

I think it is time that we get the water tested at Templestowe Heights Primary, as we excitedly announce more baby news. Alex Bruinewoud and partner Dayne are expecting their first child in May. This now marks the third pregnancy announcement for our staff this year, our 2026 enrolment numbers are already plus 3.

#### Eliza's poem

Below is a published piece by Eliza in 3/4B, having planned, drafted and redrafted this during our writing sessions over the past two weeks.

#### Remembrance Day by Eliza 3/4B

As, I stared across the grimy and gloomy battle ground.

Silence, it's for the soldiers and the despair as they lay in the hot sun and the moist rain.

Tears run down their cheeks as they wait for their wives and children.

I, feeling sick and loopy, clamber out of the ditch and scramble carefully across the battleground to a field.

The War finished.

Their wish never came true

No one left only one flower. A poppy.

It was red as roses, black as crows.

Green as grass, beautiful as a daisy. It smelled like peace.

Our lives need no more of this war.

Our country has taken a step and shaken hands for peace.

I flopped onto the wet grass. I could not breathe.

I laid for years as poppies grew around me.

Silence. 11'o'clock. For when the war ended.

#### **Rhys Coulson**

#### **Principal**

CALENDAR OF EVENTS 2020	
Term 4	
Friday 4 <sup>th</sup> December	Foundation Fairy Tales Day – Dress up as your favourite character
Tuesday 8 <sup>th</sup> December	Whole School Transition for 2021 Classes Session 1 – 11.30am to 12.30pm
Tuesday 15 <sup>th</sup> December	Whole School Transition for 2021 Classes Session 2 – 11.30am to 12.30pm
	Christmas Tart Drive Orders Close
Wednesday 16 <sup>th</sup> December	School Reports via COMPASS
Friday 18 <sup>th</sup> December	Term 4 ends – students dismissed at 1.30pm
TERM DATES 2021	
Term 1	Friday 29 <sup>th</sup> January(students Start) to Thursday 1 <sup>st</sup> April
Term 2	Monday 19 <sup>th</sup> April to Friday 25 <sup>th</sup> June
Term 3	Monday 12 <sup>th</sup> July to Friday 17 <sup>th</sup> September
Term 4	Monday 4 <sup>th</sup> October to Friday 17 <sup>th</sup> December
Pupil Free Days	
Monday 26 <sup>th</sup> May	
Monday 1 <sup>st</sup> November	

#### FROM THE OFFICE

#### **First Aid**

All students that have anaphylaxis, allergy and asthma plans must ensure that these are kept up to date and presented to the school for our records for the start of the 2021 school year. Students without current plans and in date medication may be excluded from attending school until these are received. Please contact Tanya Misquitta for further information or you would like to know the status of your child's plans and medication.

#### **Working with Children Check**

Reminder to update your WWCC card if required and/or apply for a new card. A copy of updated cards or new cards will need to handed in or emailed through to the office. Parents are unable to assist unless they have a current WWCC.

#### Are You Moving School in 2021?

For those families that are moving to new schools or homes can you please notify us in writing as planning for 2021 has already begun.

#### **Found**

**Apple earpods were found out in the school yard last week.** If you think they may belong to you please contact the office and tell us the name on the earpods.

#### Late arrival and early departures

All students arriving late to school <u>after 9.15am</u> must report to the office to collect a late pass before proceeding to class. Parents who are picking their child before the end of the day must report to the office to collect them.

<u>Please do not record late arrivals and early leavers on your Compass.</u> This will be done at the office as students arrive and leave to ensure their arrival and departure time is correctly reflected on our system.

#### **Change of Contact Details**

It is vital that the school have your most up to date contact details at all times. Please email the school if you have changed your address or contact numbers or your family circumstances have changed.

#### **Lost property**

Please ensure all clothing, lunck boxes and drink bottles are cleary named so that they may be promptly returned. The tub will be placed outside the front doors of the school office after school until 3.45pm.

#### FIRST AID NEWS

#### **Hayfever Information**

If your child suffers from hayfever or hayfever-related asthma please contact the school so that the appropriate **medical plan** can be completed and your child record updated to include their medical condition.

A reminder to all parents of children with hayfever, please ensure that they are given the appropriate medication as required at home. Hayfever medication can only be administered to those children with a medical plan in place at school.







#### Christmas Tart Drive - Orders close Tues 15th December

P&F are again teaming up for the festive season with Baker's Delight Macedon Plaza for a Christmas tart drive. Orders can be placed online for packs of lemon tarts, mince tarts, the new choc cherry brownie cake or Christmas cake at 20% off RRP, and pick up directly from Bakers Delight on Thurs 17th December or Friday

18th December. Use the link <a href="http://bit.ly/thps-xmas">http://bit.ly/thps-xmas</a> to place your order using your name, not your child's. Flyer is attached to the newsletter.

We'd like to acknowledge and thank Bakers Delight Macedon Plaza for their ongoing support and generosity towards THPS fundraising and our community.

#### **THPS Parents & Friends Community Facebook page**

Join the THPS closed Facebook group by searching for THPS Parents & Friends Community and answering the question

https://www.facebook.com/groups/758762184247385

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







### Xmas cakes and tarts Templestowe Heights from Bakers Delight











This Xmas given the current circumstances the school has decided that rather than the 20% donation received from Bakers Delight Macedon Plaza going to the school, this time instead all products will receive a 20% discount\* to help all families in these difficult and uncertain times.

All you need to do is select your favourite Xmas products and the 20% discount will be applied at the end. Ordering is easy as it's all done online and you can collect your products in-store from Bakers Delight Macedon Plaza.

Orders close: 5pm Tuesday, 15th December 2020

Collection: 11am - 7pm Thursday, 17th December 2020 and 6am - 7pm Friday, 18th

December 2020



OR go to: http://bit.ly/thps-xmas

\* Minimum order is \$10 excluding discount, to help cover costs

#### Bakers Delight Macedon Plaza



facebook.com/BakersDelightMacedonPlaza



#### REGISTRATIONS ARE NOW OPEN!

Any children in grades 1-6 in 2021 who would like to play can register using the link:

https://www.trybooking.com/BNCTQ

For more information, please see the flyer in the newsletter, or email Sarah & Kate thpsbasketball@gmail.com

GO HEIGHTS!!!



# TEAM REGISTRATION - NEW PLAYERS PRIMARY SCHOOL BASKETBALL COMPETITION 2021 - SEASON 1



#### Dear Parents

Thank you for choosing to register your child in the Primary School Basketball Competition for season 1 2021 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 6th December 2020, 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 on 22nd 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 <a href="https://www.trybooking.com/BNEER">https://www.trybooking.com/BNEER</a>

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 administration using this link <a href="https://www.trybooking.com/BNCTO">https://www.trybooking.com/BNCTO</a> 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 \$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 thpsbasketball@gmail.com

PLEASE PAY VIA THE TRYBOOKING LINK https://www.trybooking.com/BNCTQ

PLEASE DO NOT PAY VIA BPAY TO SCHOOL

# Templestowe Heights Primary School

#### PRIMARY SCHOOL BASKETBALL

## 'TEMPLESTOWE HEIGHTS BASKETBALL' OPTIONAL APPAREL



Towards the end of 2019, we launched our new 'Templestowe Heights Basketball'apparel.

We are offering players, coaches and parents the opportunity to purchase t-shirts and long sleeved tops.

These tops are an optional extra, they will not be replacing the player singlet or the school uniform. They can be worn to/from basketball matches or casually.

#### COST:

Short sleeved t-shirts \$25\* Long sleeved tops \$33\*

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

#### SIZES:

Kids Sizes 8 10 12 14 16 (XS) Adults Sizes S M L XL XXL XXXL

If you would like to order, please use the link: www.trybooking.com/BHDYW



Size samples are available to try on in the school staff room, please ask at the office.

SARAH MABIN & KATE STACKER
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