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News from Templestowe Heights Primary School

Newsletter Term 1 Week 5

25th February 2021

Templestowe Heights Primary School Values

Persistence

Respect

Courage

Responsibility

"inspiring learners for life"

Badge Presentation Assembly Friday 26th February 2.30pm

PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

Student Voice Badge Presentations

This Friday at our whole-school assembly, we will be presenting the badges to our students who have been elected by their peers for our Student Voice positions. Our Junior School Council (JSC) and Environmental Leader positions are for one semester, whilst our year 6 leaders remain in their positions for the whole year. Each family of the students receiving their badges are able to invite two attendees to the assembly, based on covid-safe practices. Our Vice School Council President Kai Robotham (*Ava 1/2V, Zoe & Isabelle 1/2B*) will be our special guest to present the badges.

STUDENT VOICE LEADERS

School Captain	Ella (5/6S) & Urijah (5/6W)
Environmental	Charlotte & Bethany (5/6C)
Goolagong	Mary (5/6S) & Ryan (5/6W)
Bradman	Rosie (5/6C) & Max (5/6S)
Cuthbert	Megan (5/6W) & Sam (5/6L)
Newcombe	Emilia (5/6W) & Matthew (5/6S)
STEM	Felipe (5/6C) & Chichi (5/6L)
Wellbeing	Gizelle (5/6L) & Sienna (5/6W)
Art	Alena (5/6L) & Alexandra (5/6W)
Performing Arts	Zoe (5/6L) & Keziah (5/6P)

	JSC	Environmental		JSC	Environmental	
FD	Bradley	Cecilia	3/4B	Jamie	Hannah	
FN	Aisha	Harper	3/4F	Anthea	Victoria	
FT	Kabir	Katarina	3/4H	Rose	Isabella	
1/2B	Рорру	Zoe	3/4J	Eloise	Juliette	
1/2J	Ludwin	Avery	3/4R	Odette	Sienna	
1/2K	Matilda	Daniel	5/6C	Zachary	Priscilla	
1/2M	Alex	Ruby	5/6L	Ella	Orly	
1/2V	Joel	Zoe	5/6P	Arman	Amelia	
1/2W	Jasleen	Stanley	5/6S	Foti	Leah	
			5/6W	Leon	Theodore	

Regional Swimming Competition

On Monday we had 30 students in year 3-6 represent Templestowe Heights Primary at the regional swimming competition. I was most proud of the way all our students showed respect and supported one another in between and during events. Well done to all students for giving it their best effort and to Camilla (3/4J), Layan(3/4J) and Rosie(5/6C) who will now progress to the next round.





Connect-Up School House Sessions

As part of our revamped triweekly assembly schedule, every three weeks students will participate in Connect-up sessions on a Friday afternoon. The purpose of these sessions are to provide students with an opportunity to connect with students from all other year levels from their own School House (Cuthbert, Goolagong, Newcombe & Bradman). The activities the students participate in during these sessions are fun and encourages students to use teamwork and creativity. These sessions are facilitated by our School House Captains, providing them with leadership opportunities. It was really exciting to see the students buzzing in their allocated Connect-up sessions, chanting their House song and having a laugh while trying to move a hula-hoop around a circle of connected hands. Thank you to the school's wellbeing team, led by Celene Black and Julia Laidlaw for the planning and preparation of such a successful ongoing event.

Parent/Carer-Teacher Discussions

Throughout this week, parents and carers have had the opportunity to meet with their child's teacher in the first of our two formal parent/carer-teacher discussions. For some families, it will finally be placing a face to a name, for others it will be reconnecting from previously having their child taught by their 2021 class teacher. Regardless, it is a chance to build a positive home-school partnership and ensure that everyone is on the same page with how we can all support our most prized assets in achieving to the best of the capabilities.

Parents & Friends Meeting

This Friday 26th February our *Parents & Friends* will be holding their first meeting for the year. The face to face meeting will be held in the multi-purpose room and anyone is invited to attend. All participants will need to sign an attendance sheet in the multipurpose room before entering. Thank you to our wonderful parents and carers who have put their hand up to be class reps for 2021. This meeting up will provide further information on the role of class reps and how parents and carers can become involved in our school. The session can also be joined in via WebEx on room number:

579 980 226

Rhys Coulson Principal

CALENDAR OF EVENTS 2021	
Term 1	
Friday 26 th February	Parents & Friends Meeting (Multipurpose rm) 9.15am & WebEx 579 980 226
	Badge Presentation Assembly for School Leaders 2.30pm
Monday 1 st March	Foundation Responsible Pet Education Program Incursion
	School Council Nominations Close 4pm
Thursday 4 th March	Yr 5/6 Interschool Sports 9am to 11am
Monday 8 th March	Labour Day Public Holiday
Thursday 11 th March	Yr 5/6 Interschool Sports 9am to 11am
Wednesday 17 th March	School Council Meeting 7.30pm
Thursday 18 th March	Yr 5/6 Interschool Sports 9am to 11am
Friday 19 th March	Foundation Students Starting School Certificate Assembly
Thursday 25 th March	Yr 5/6 Interschool Sports 9am to 11am
Friday 26 th March	Cultural Identity Day
Thursday 1 April	End of Term 1 – Hat Parade
	TERM DATES 2021
Term 1	Friday 29 th January (Students Start) to Thursday 1 st April
Term 2	Monday 19 th April to Friday 25 th June
Term 3	Monday 12 th July to Friday 17 th September
Term 4	Monday 4 th October to Friday 17 th December
	Pupil Free Days
	Monday 24 th May
	Monday 1 st November

FROM THE OFFICE

School Fees and Payments

Just a reminder that 2021 essential items school fees are due on 26th February. For those families paying their fees via Bpay please remember to send a copy of the form into the office for our records. (**School fees cannot be paid via Compass**)

- Compass Walking, PG and Contact list events notifications due
- School Fee Due Friday 26th February

COMPASS News

- Compass notifications and Compass email notifications are sent to adult A and B on our system. If you are not receiving notification please check:
 - 1. The correct email address has been provided to the school
 - 2. Compass notifications are set to 'ON' on your phone
 - 3. The emails are not being sent to your junk folder
 - 4. You have not blocked Compass notifications on your email settings.
- COMPASS cannot be used to make payments to the school. Payments can only be made via BPay, Eftpos, credit card or cash. Please call the school if you would like your BPay reference details.
- Once an event has **expired you can no longer access** the event to provide consent and must contact the office.

SCHOOL PRODUCTION VOLUNTEERS!!!

Dear Parents, Carers, Family & Friends,

Amongst all of the uncertainties that we've faced in the past year, we can finally share some positive light that our school production is going ahead this year!!! It will be held in the last week of term 3 on Monday 13th September at the Besen Centre in Burwood. You will be informed of production updates and news via Compass/newsletters throughout terms 1, 2 & 3.

We really appreciate volunteers at THPS and we would love to have your help for preparation for our school production. I would like to invite anyone who is interested to join/volunteer for our Production Creative Team which can include helping with prop/set designs, sewing costumes and attending working bees. Covid-safe guidelines (in accordance with the Department of Education) will be put in place when planning to meet for Creative Production meetings and working bees.

If you are able to volunteer some of your time during school or after school, your help would be greatly appreciated. Please email your interest to volunteer with your name, child's name and preferred email and contact number to: sylvia.petrovska@education.vic.gov.au

I look forward to our theatrical journey together.

With Twirling Regards,

Mrs Petrovska (Performing Arts Teacher)





Parents & Friends/ Class Rep meeting - TOMORROW

We will be holding our regular Parents & Friends meeting tomorrow, Friday 26th February, at 9.15am-10am. This meeting is usually held early in each term to discuss upcoming P&F events. It will be in held in the Multi-purpose Room in person and also via Webex — please log into Webex number 579 980 226. Everyone is welcome to attend. Please head straight to the Multi-

purpose room after drop off. You will need to wear a mask, hand sanitise and sign in on the forms at the meeting.

Buzz lists

The buzz list permission form on the Compass portal for has now closed, but if you would like to be included please contact the school office ASAP. Being included on the Buzz List will ensure you are included in all Class Rep emails and information. Buzz lists will be sent out over the next week or two via email from your Class Rep.

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, Fiona, Oula & Sarah thpspaf@gmail.com

SCHOOL COUNCIL ELECTIONS

22nd February 2021

SCHOOL COUNCIL ELECTIONS



The Templestowe Heights Primary School Council is an elected body comprising 13 members: 7 parents, 4 DET employee members, 2 possible co-opted members and the Principal as Executive Officer. The term of office is 2 years. Each year, half of the Council comes due for election.

The School Council is a legally formed body that is given the power to set the key policies and directions of the school within centrally provided guidelines. In doing so, the School Council is able to directly influence the quality of education that the school provides for our students.

Parents on school councils provide important viewpoints and have valuable skills that can help shape the direction of the school.

Those parents who become active on a school council find their involvement satisfying in itself and may also find that their children feel a greater sense of belonging.

If you decide you would like to nominate for school council, you can arrange for someone to nominate you as a candidate or you can nominate yourself in the Parent category.

Nomination forms are available at the office. You can either pick one up or call the office and we will send one home.

School Council meets at 7.30pm on the third Wednesday of each month. It operates sub committees in Finance, Community Engagement, Policies & Grants and Buildings & Grounds.

I hereby call for nominations for the Templestowe Heights Primary School Council.

The terms of office, membership categories and number of positions in each category open for election are as follows:

Parent Members

No. of positions: 3

Term of Office: 2 years

Nomination forms may be obtained from the school office and must be lodged by 4.00pm on Thursday 26th February.

If nominations exceed vacancies, an election will be held. The timeline is as follows:

February 22nd Call for Nominations

March 1st Nominations Close 4pm

March 3rd Ballot Distributed
March 12th Poll Closes at 4pm

March 15th Declaration of the Poll

The first meeting for the new School Council will be Wednesday 17th March, 2021.

Rhys Coulson

Principal

School Council Election Process Timetable

School council election process timetable 2021

Name of the School: <u>Templestowe Heights Primary School</u>

EVENT	DATE
a) Notice of election and call for nominations	Monday 22 nd February 2021
b) Closing date for nominations	Monday 1 st March 2021
c) Date by which the list of candidates and nominators will be posted	Wednesday 3 rd March 2021
d) Date by which ballot papers will be prepared and distributed	Friday 5 th March 2021
e) Close of ballot	Friday 12 th March 2021
f) Vote count	Friday 12 th March 2021 (C.O.B)
g) Declaration of ballot	Monday 15 th March 2021
h) Special council meeting to coopt Community members (the principal will preside)	Wednesday 17 th March 2021 at 7:30pm
i) First council meeting to elect office bearers (the principal will preside)	Wednesday 17 th March 2021 at 7:30pm

SCHOOL COUNCIL ELECTIONS - INFORMATION FOR PARENTS

WHAT IS A SCHOOL COUNCIL AND WHAT DOES IT DO?

All government schools in Victoria have a school council. They are legally constituted bodies that are given powers to set the key directions of a school within statewide guidelines. In doing this, a school council is able to directly influence the quality of education that the school provides for its students.

WHO IS ON THE SCHOOL COUNCIL?

For most primary school councils, there are three possible categories of membership:

- A mandated elected Parent category more than one-third of the total members must be from this category. Department employees can be Parent members at their child's school as long as they are not engaged in work at the school.
- A mandated elected school employee category members of this category may make up no more than one-third of the total membership of school council. The principal of the school is automatically one of these members.
- An optional community member category members are coopted by a decision of the council because of their special skills, interests or experiences. Department employees are not eligible to be community members.

A small number of school councils have Nominee members.

For all schools with a Year 7 and above cohort, there is an additional category of membership:

A mandated elected student member category, with two positions.

Generally, the term of office for all members is two years. The term of office of half the members expires each year, creating vacancies for the annual school council elections.

WHY IS PARENT MEMBERSHIP SO IMPORTANT?

Parents on school councils provide important viewpoints and have valuable skills that can help shape the direction of the school.

Those parents who become active on a school council find their involvement satisfying and may also find that their children feel a greater sense of belonging.

DO I NEED SPECIAL EXPERIENCE TO BE ON SCHOOL COUNCIL?

Each member brings their own valuable life skills and knowledge to the role. Councilors may need to develop skills and acquire knowledge in areas that are unfamiliar to them. What you do need is an interest in your child's school

and the desire to work in partnership with others to help shape the school's future.

HOW CAN YOU BECOME INVOLVED?

The most obvious way is to vote in the elections, which are held in Term one each year. However, ballots are only held if more people nominate as candidates than there are positions vacant.

In view of this, you might consider

- standing for election as a member of the school council
- encouraging another person to stand for election.

WHAT DO YOU NEED TO DO TO STAND FOR ELECTION?

The principal will issue a Notice of Election and Call for Nominations following the commencement of Term one each year. All school council elections must be completed by the end of March unless the usual time line has been varied by the Minister.

If you decide to stand for election, you can arrange for someone to nominate you as a candidate or you can nominate yourself in the Parent category.

Department employees whose child is enrolled in a school in which they are not engaged in work are eligible to nominate for parent membership of the school council at that school.

Once the nomination form is completed, return it to the principal within the time stated on the Notice of Election.

You will receive a Nomination Form Receipt in the mail following the receipt of your completed nomination.

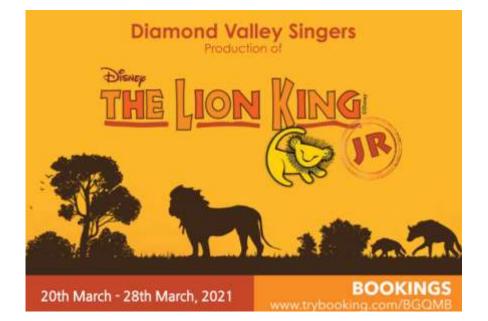
Generally, if there are more nominations received than there are vacancies on council, a ballot will be conducted during the two weeks after the call for nominations has closed.

REMEMBER

- Ask at the school for help if you would like to stand for election and are not sure what to do
- Consider standing for election to council this year
- Be sure to vote in the elections.

Contact the Principal for further information.







♦Student Absences

If your child will be absent from school please record their absence on **COMPASS**.

- On your smart phone
 - 1. Press the "Add Attendance Note" tab
 - If you have more than 1 child at the school select the absent child
 - 2. Tap on 'Reason' and select an option. (illness, parents' choice etc.) (Details/Comments field is optional)
 - 3. Tap on **Start Date** and **End Date** (change if necessary)
 - 4. Press 'Add Attendance Note'

Complete this process before 10.30am on the day of their absence

♦Recording Extended Absences

If your family is going on holidays please record your child's absence using the same process as above before the absence date. (Adjust the **Start Date** and **End Date** accordingly) and email your child's class teacher and the school office.

♦Absence Notifications

An SMS will be sent at 10.30am to all children recorded as 'Unexplained'. If you receive an SMS, please update the absence on **COMPASS** or call the school office.

♦COMPASS Notifications

Notification are sent via the app and email. To ensure you receive all notifications go to the settings on your phone and select "**Enable Notifications**".

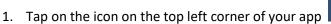
♦ Late Arrivals Early departures

Late arrivals and early departures are recorded on the School Kiosk as your child arrives and departs the school via the office. Do not record these on Compass.

♦School reports

Semester reports can be accessed by selecting your child's photo and pressing on the "Reports "tab

♦Booking Teacher Conferences (Parent Teacher Interviews)





2. Select Conferences and follow the tabs to book a time with your childs teacher.

♦Events Consent (Incursions, Excursions, Permissions)

1. Tap on the icon on the top left corner of your app



2. Choose "Events" tab and follow the prompts.

If your family circumstances change, please notify the office so separate family **COMPASS** accounts can be created. Personal family details will be shared unless we are otherwise notified.



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.

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 https://www.trybooking.com/BNEER

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 https://www.trvbooking.com/BNCTO 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 still have stock available in most sizes.

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



SARAH MABIN & KATE STACKER
PRIMARY SCHOOL BASKETBALL DELEGATES

thpsbasketball@gmail.com

Community News

TAEKWONDO

Claim your FREE trial class!

Learn self-defence and martial arts skills. Learn to improve your discipline and concentration.

Improve your fitness, co-ordination and confidence.

Classes are on every Saturday at 9:30am at Templestowe Heights Primary School.

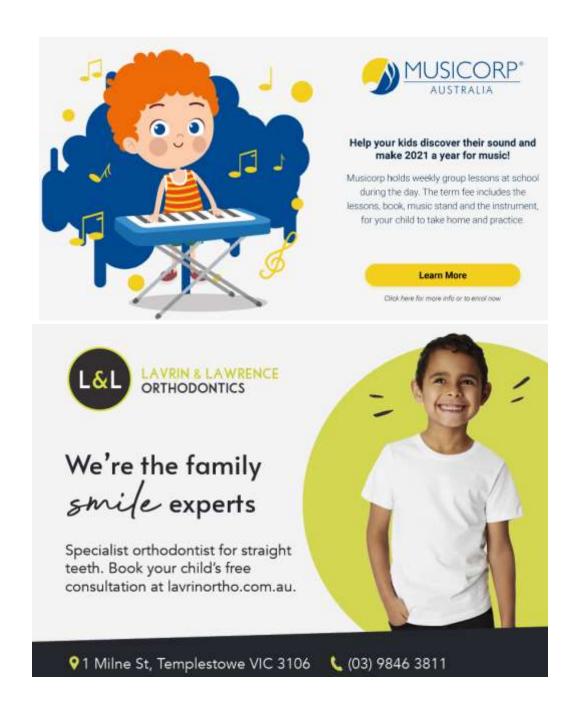
School children of all ages are welcome (4 years and up). Adults are also welcome.

For further information or to book your trial class contact Carmelo on **0422 193 793**

Or through our Facebook page

Australian/Korean Taekwondo Centre.









SPORTS:

BASKETBALL - SOCCER -CRICKET - NETBALL - TENNIS -HOCKEY

Hawthorn - Kew - Canterbury -Bulleen

Venues include Trinity Grammar, H.A Smith Reserve & Hawthorn/Malvern Hockey Centre

> December and January dates available for all sports!

Call 1300 914 368 or email admin@australiansportscamps.com.au to book or for more information.





NetSetGO NETBALL PROGRAM

learn new skills, make new friends, keep fit & become involved

East Doncaster Netball Club runs NetSetGO which is 10 week training program for children aged between 5 to 11 years of age.



WHEN: Autumn Season NetSetGO will commence Friday 12th March until Friday 4th June 2021

TIME: 4:30pm - 5:30pm

WHERE: Manningham Templestowe Leisure Centre, Outdoor Netball Courts (Cnr Foote Street & Anderson Street, Templestowe, VIC, 3106)

> For more information please visit our website http://eastdoncasternc.com.au/

Open Night* Thursday 18 March 2021

* This year by booking only



East Doncaster

Secondary College

This year bookings must be made to attend and receive a COVID Safe College tour, starting at **5:30pm**, with the last tour departing at **7:05pm**.

Pre-Purchase tickets at: https://www.trybooking.com/BOSHQ

For tour times and more information visit www.eastdonsc.vic.edu.au

Tickets will not be available on the night.

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2021 Open Night

Tuesday, 16 March 2021 5.30 - 7.30pm

Held outside the Performance Centre
Attendance to Open Night must be pre-booked

Open Night Sessions and College Tour Mornings
Please book online https://www.doncastersc.vic.edu.au/

SEAL Testing

Register before Monday, 5 July 2021 developing tomorrow's minds



Respect, Resilience, Responsibility, Teamwork

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Child and Youth Mental Health Service

2021 Community Seminar Series

REPEAT SESSION

ONLINE SEMINAR

WORKING WITH PARENTS AROUND SCHOOL REFUSAL

DATE	25 March 2021
The workshop will be presented by:	Staff from CYMHS Specialist Child Team

This workshop will focus on:

- Understanding school refusal
- Learning what can be done to prevent school refusal for primary aged children
- Understanding how to help a child who is refusing to attend school re-integrate back into school

Target audience:	Staff working in a range of settings including education, child and family services and youth services
Time:	9.30 AM to 12.30 PM
Cost:	\$40.00 (including GST, and seminar materials)
Bookings & Registration:	Email to: communityseminarCYMHS@easternhealth.org.au or complete the Registration Form and fax to 039870 7973
Contact:	Marion Bernard Community Engagement Seminars on 9871 7710
Seminar Location:	ONLINE DELIVERY

All prices and dates quoted are subject to change by CYMHS. Seminar fees are kept as low as possible. Enrolled participants will be notified of any changes to advertised programs when necessary. Participants are <u>not entitled to a refund unless WRITTEN cancellation has been received at least 24 hours prior to the event.</u> The department reserves the right to cancel any scheduled programs when necessary and course fees will be refunded if the course is cancelled, www.easternhealth.org.au

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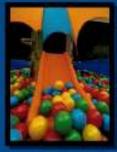


















BOOKINGS and TOURS
AVAILABLE NOW!!!

SPACES FILLING FAST AS TERM
ONE HAS STARTED!!!

Call <u>NOW</u> to secure your child's educational adventure and fun for 2021!!!

Sumara on Mob: 0401 172 210.

- ♦ Before School Care 7:00am to 9:00am.
- After School Care − 3:00pm to 6:00pm.
- ◆ Full Day Care 8:00am to 6:00pm.
- Casual Bookings Available.
- All healthy Meals and Snacks Provided.
- ECS Subsidy for All Eligible Families.

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