



Our News

News from Templestowe Heights Primary School

Newsletter Term 1 Week 8

18th March 2021

Templestowe Heights Primary School Values

Persistence

Respect

Courage

Responsibility

"inspiring learners for life"



Foundation Students Starting School Certificate Assembly

PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

Arriving at School Early

Since the recommencement of school, it has become apparent that many students are arriving to school prior to there being any supervision in the school yard. As per our *Duty of Care* policy, students are not permitted to arrive at school prior to 8:45am unless accompanied by an adult. Please ensure parents and carers drop off children at or after, 8:45am as we are unable to provide any supervision prior to this time, as staff have this time to prepare for the day.

Baby News

Marie Petzierides and partner Brad Neurath welcomed *Myles John Neurath* into the world this Monday. Mum and bub are doing well. We can't wait to meet yet another future 2026 THPS student.



School Council Election Results

Congratulations to Stuart McLay and Kai Robotham for being re-elected for a further 2-years and to Terence Polorotoff on being successfully elected for his first-time councillor. As a council we met last night with our newly elected members with the following re-elected as our office bearers for 2021:

President	David Barnes
Vice President	Kai Robotham
Treasurer	Stamatina Pearce
Secretary	Jeanette Breen



Dangerous Behaviours at pick up and drop off

We all have busy lives and we all have somewhere else we need to get to. There are no excuses however, for irresponsible or dangerous behaviours when dropping our children off or picking them up. We are all role models to our children and we want them to grow up as adults who take care when crossing roads or when driving.

Some reminders to eliminate dangerous behaviours that could lead to severe consequences:

- We are on a main, busy road and it is so important that parents and carers cross at traffic pedestrian crossings.
- Double parking is illegal and it is dangerous.
- U-turns out the front of the school on High Street is extremely dangerous.

Unfortunately as staff we are not local law officers, if you do witness illegal or dangerous behaviours out the front of our school, please contact the Manningham local laws department on 9840 9333 or alternatively please contact the Doncaster police station on 8841 3999.

What's on at THPS – Student Voice

Our STEM Captains Felipe and Chichi have become web designers! They have decided to keep the community updated with what is taking place within and around our school, via our Online Learning Portal. Check out their first post: <https://sites.google.com/education.vic.gov.au/thpsonlinerebotelearning/whats-on-at-thps>

Farewell Zongze

Unfortunately we must say farewell to student Zongze (1/2W) this week. We wish him all the best at his new school and please know you are always welcome back anytime.

Planning Week

Next week all year level teams (and specialists) will have a day out to plan for the term 2 teaching & learning program. While we will run our normal curriculum programs next week, it can look a little different for students on the day their usual teacher is out as they experience a different teacher each session. The days are extremely valuable for our staff as they prepare what learning will look like in term 2.

Rhys Coulson

Principal

CALENDAR OF EVENTS 2021

Term 1

Thursday 18 th March	Wellbeing Workshop 7.00pm to 8.00pm Onsite or WebEx (571 055 426)
Friday 19 th March	Foundation Students Starting School Certificate Assembly 2.50pm
Thursday 25 th March	Year 5/6 Interschool Sports 9am to 11am
Friday 26 th March	Cultural Identity Day Easter Raffle Ticket Sales End
Sunday 28 th March	Hot Cross Bun Orders Close
Thursday 1 April	Assembly at 1.30pm Easter Raffle Draw End of Term 1 – Students Dismissed at 2.30pm

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 24th May

Monday 1st November

FROM THE OFFICE

Manningham Library

One of our library books has been returned to the Doncaster library in error. Should you be visiting there in the next few weeks please pass by and pick it up. **Title:** We'll Bite Your Tail Geronimo! **Author:** Geronimo Stilton

Thank you in advance.

CULTURE AND IDENTITY DAY: *Friday 26th March*



On this day we will celebrate the many different cultures we have at our school. We will also explore the values and elements that make up our identity.

Students are encouraged to wear clothes and bring their lunch box containing food from their culture. Students will also watch a performance of la Festa from the La Cominca Variety Company.



Easter Raffle & donations

The highly anticipated annual Easter Raffle will be drawn in the final assembly of term 1 on Thursday 1st April. Raffle tickets for each student were sent home this week and will need to be returned by Fri 26th March. Families can donate bought items to be included in the raffle hampers. Please bring donations into the office anytime until the last Monday (29th March) of term. Please check ingredients and ensure all items are **NUT FREE**. Any Easter themed items also welcome – eggs, bags/baskets, easter craft & colouring books, easter trinkets.

Hot Cross Bun Drive

We are *delighted* to be running our annual Hot Cross Bun Drive in partnership with our local Macedon Plaza Bakers Delight leading up to Easter. Prices are the same as in store (\$8) but \$2 from every pack sold will be donated towards our school fundraising. Orders close 5pm Sunday 28th March, for pick up from the bakery on either Tues 30th or Wed 31st March. You will be given the option to select either date and your items will be baked fresh that day. To order, click on <http://bit.ly/thps-easter>

Entertainment Book

P&F are selling The Entertainment Book online <https://au.entdigital.net/orderbooks/186857h> and funds raised will go towards our next school fundraising project.

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/>

Buzz lists

The buzz list permission form on the Compass portal for has now closed, please contact the school office if you would like to be included. Being included on the Buzz List will ensure you are included in all Class Rep emails and information. Buzz lists have been distributed by Class Reps

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

Entertainment

We are fundraising
with Entertainment!



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Give back

Support us. Buy your Entertainment
Membership and **we receive**
20% of the purchase.



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eGift Card* Choose from
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To order online scan this QR
code by placing the camera on
your phone over the code above



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Easter Fundraising



Templestowe Heights Primary School is being supported by **Bakers Delight Macedon Plaza** to help raise some funds for much needed equipment for our school.

The school will receive \$2 for every 6 pack of Hot Cross Buns purchased.

Help us to achieve our goal by purchasing some Hot Cross Buns. Ordering is easy as it's all done online.

Items are to be collected from Bakers Delight Macedon Plaza on the day that you nominate.

Orders close: 5pm Sunday, 28th March 2021

Collection: Tuesday 30th March OR Wednesday 31st March 2021

Collection from: Bakers Delight Macedon Plaza

Scan this code



OR go to: <http://bit.ly/thps-easter>

Bakers Delight Macedon Plaza

◆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)

1. Tap on the icon on the top left corner of your app 
2. Select Conferences and follow the tabs to book a time with your child’s 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.



Community News

@ktsportgroup

K1SPORT

280 Thompsons Road
Lower Templestowe 3107

**Kids' Fit
School Holiday
Program**

(For ages 7-14)

April 5 to 16
M-W-F 4-5pm
\$120 / 6 sessions





**Contact
Kenneth
0424 335 054
kj7fitnessau@gmail.com**

SIGN UP NOW

Free

2 Spin classes
For the guardian

NATIVE PLANT & BOOK SALE

24th April 10am - 4pm

**Eltham Community & Reception
Centre**

801 Main Road, Eltham

Organised by Australian Plants Society Yarra Yarra Group
Inc. No. A0039676Y



Templestowe Valley Preschool currently has positions available in our FREE 4-Year-Old Kindergarten program, which operates, of a Tuesday and Thursday from 8.45am to 4.15pm. Limited positions are also available in our 3-Year-Old program of a Tuesday/Thursday/Friday, 9.15am to 2.15pm. Government subsidies contribute to one, five-hour session costing \$75.00 per term. Full fees are payable for additional sessions. Our Teaching team are committed to providing a warm and welcoming environment, which promotes a sense of belonging for children, along with a beautiful large outdoor play space to explore.



The play-based curriculum offered reflects children's interests, needs, and strengths whilst providing opportunities for children to learn as they discover, create and imagine.

Conveniently located beside Templestowe Valley Primary School, our address is 3 Birchwood Avenue, Templestowe Lower.

We welcome all enquiries for this year and 2022 and are happy to schedule tours at a mutually convenient time.

Phone: 9850 8424.

Enrol now!

Gum Nut Gully
PRESCHOOL

OPEN DAY

Sat 1st May 10am-12pm

3 & 4 year old Programs incorporating BUSH KINDER



58-60 Lamoo Drive, Doncaster East
9841 9556
www.gumnutgullypreschool.com.au

Gum Nut Gully
PRESCHOOL



BASKETBALL NEWS



Season 1 2021 commenced last week

MORE PLAYERS NEEDED!

We have a couple of spots left over a number of teams.

1/2 boys, 5/6 boys and ANY GIRLS in grades 1/2, 3/4 & 5/6 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
thgsbasketball@gmail.com

GO HEIGHTS!!!



MINIBALL NEWS



MINIBALL REGOS OPEN!

We are excited to announce that Miniball registrations are now open for any Foundation children who would like to learn how to play basketball in term 2.

Register your child using the link:
<https://www.trybooking.com/BPKDF>

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

GO HEIGHTS!!!



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EXPRESSION OF INTEREST – MINIBALL
PRIMARY SCHOOL BASKETBALL COMPETITION
2021 – TERM 2



Dear Parents

We are now asking for expressions of interest for children that would like to take part in the Bulleen Miniball Competition for Term 2.

This competition takes place **after school** on a Friday at Bulleen Stadium in Sheahans Rd and is aimed at teaching prep aged children the rules and techniques of Basketball while playing a game.

Drop down rings are lowered for Miniball and are a good height for children of this age.

Games run for 35 minutes, start times vary each week and are between 4.10 – 6.10pm.

The umpire and coaches are on the court throughout the game to explain the rules and instructions to the players. The game consists of 2 x 15 minute halves and is not scored.

Learning the rules and how to play the game, whilst having fun, are the main goals of Miniball.

No previous experience is necessary.

The season commences the first week of term 2 (Friday 23rd April) and runs for 10 weeks.

We will need parents/relatives to help coach and manage the teams or it will not be possible.

Please let us know if you can take on or help with either of these roles. Previous basketball or coaching experience is not necessary. You will need a current Working With Children Check which is free to apply for online <https://wwwcv.auspost.com.au/>

Cost - \$80 per child for the term (we will email you the registration link from Bulleen later).

Uniform – players wear their school uniform – light blue polo and navy shorts/skort/pants and sneakers.

Expression of Interest Registration – is free using this link:

<https://www.trybooking.com/BPKDF> as soon as possible so we have an idea of player numbers.

SARAH MABIN & KATE STACKER
SCHOOL DELEGATES

thpsbasketball@gmail.com



PLEASE REGISTER YOUR INTEREST VIA THE TRYBOOKING LINK

<https://www.trybooking.com/BPKDF>

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 not entitled to a refund unless WRITTEN cancellation has been received at least 24 hours prior to the event. 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