

Our News

Australia's Biggest Morning Tea Wednesday 26th May RSVP Mon 24th May

News from Templestowe Heights Primary School

Newsletter Term 2 Week 5

20th May 2021

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Templestowe Heights Primary School Values

Persistence

Respect

Courage

Responsibility

"inspiring learners for life"

Monday 24th May Pupil Free Day

(No School For Students)

PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

Boring News

As part of the North East Link project, our students had the opportunity to be part of a competition to name one of the boring machines that will be used in extending the eastern freeway. Congratulations to *Noora* (5/6C), Rachel(5/6L) and ChiChi(5/6L) whose name Valerie (meaning strong, brave and fierce) for being selected as the winning name. We are looking forward to hearing updates from Valerie as it bores it way underground, all in the name of progress. Thank you to the media team and our local Senate Member, *Sonya Terpstra* for visiting the eight student finalists to announce the news.



Pupil Free Day this Monday

Just as a reminder this coming Monday (24th May) is a pupil-free day. On this day all staff will be participating in *Cultural Understanding and Safety Training* as part of the Marrung: Aboriginal Education Plan, Victoria's ten-year plan to support Koorie learners. The purpose of the session is for staff to increase their understanding of Koorie culture, history and experience to ensure a strong foundation for culturally inclusive practices.

Annual General Meeting

On Wednesday night we held our Annual General Meeting at school. The purpose of this event is to present the 2020 Annual Report to the community, celebrate the achievements from the previous year and share the strategic goals for 2021. I would like to say a big thank you to our school councillors; *David Barnes, Jeanette Breen, Margaret de Haas, Paul Gallo, Stuart McLay, Oula Olsen, Sarah Mabin, Stamatina Pearce, Terrence Polorotoff, Nick Pugliese, Kai Robotham, Tracey Troy and Andrew Veal for their work in supporting our school and wanting the best outcomes for all children.* You can click here to read our 2020 Annual Report to the Community.

Cyber Safety Visit

As part of our school's safety policy, all students in years 3-6 participated in a Cyber-Safety presentation from Victoria Police. It was an informative session, highlighting the importance of monitoring what our children are doing online, setting boundaries and detailing what can happen if we use social media for the wrong purposes. Thank you to Victoria Police, Officer's Vanessa and Greg for the engaging sessions, as you can see some lucky students had a chance to wear some official police gear.





Cross Country

Congratulations to the 58 year 4-6 students who represented our school in the recent district cross country competition held at Ruffy Lake Park. In preparation for the event, Lisa Clark and Kate Stacker held beforeschool running clubs which had large numbers of students attend. Apparently the hill near the end of the course was named "heart break hill" however our students conquered it on the day to all finish. Five of our students now go through the regional competition next week. Angus 3/4B, Ashley(5/6W), Rosie(5/6C), Chloe(5/6W) and Matthew(5/6S).

Book Fair

Over four days (Thursday-Tuesday) we held our biannual Book Fair. Students had the opportunity to create a wish list of the books they would like to purchase. A percentage of sales will be distributed to our school library fund. Thank you to Vikki and Mary for all their hard work in setting up this event.



Professional Learning

On Wednesday afternoon, all teaching staff participated in professional learning, delivered by part of our STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering & Mathematics) team of Ross Toogood, Louise Wood and Sam Wang. Staff learnt all about how to effectively use our virtual and augmented reality hardware as well as how they could integrate this into the units of inquiry students are learning back in their classrooms.

Education Week

Unfortunately some covid-restrictions within schools remain, that has narrowed what we can do to celebrate Education Week. On the morning of Wednesday (26th May), from 9:00-10:40am we will be hosting open-classrooms for any parent or carer that would like to come along and see their child participate in their learning. The open morning is not one-off lessons, they will be our usual, scheduled lessons that children would usually be participating in during that time. Please use the QR codes provided located on the entrances of each door to register your attendance.

At 10:40am until 11:10am we will then be hosting our *Biggest Morning Tea* in the multi-purpose room. Everyone is welcome to come along to have a hot (or cold) drink, a snack and chat with THPS staff. Entry into this is a gold coin donation with all money raised being donated to the *Cancer Foundation*.

Rhys Coulson Principal

AUSTRALIA'S BIGGEST MORNING TEA

On <u>Wednesday 26th May</u> we are having our annual morning tea to raise money for the Cancer Council Of Victoria. This support the concentration and prevention programs and support worthy cause raises money for research into new cancer treatments, education and prevention programs and support services for patients and families. We all know someone or know of someone who has been affected by cancer so come along and help raise extra funds for the Cancer Council.

> When: Wednesday 26th May Where: Multi Purpose Room

Time: 10.40am - 11.10am



GOLD COIN DONATION

RSVP IS A MUST by Monday 24th May to comply with Covid regulations

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CALENDAR OF EVENTS 2021				
Term 2				
Friday 21 st May	Edendale Park Excursion – Foundation Students			
Monday 24 th May	Pupil Free Day (No School For Students)			
Wednesday 26 th May	Classrooms Open to Parents & Carers 9am to 10.40am			
	Australia's Biggest Morning Tea 10.40am to 11.10am			
Thursday 27 th May	Parent/Carer Wellbeing Workshop 6.30pm			
Friday 28 th May	Active-A-Thon			
Saturday 29 th May	Parent Social Night			
Friday 11 th June	Science Day			
Monday 14 th June	Queen's Birthday - Public Holiday			
Wednesday 16 th June	School Council Meeting 7.00pm			
Friday 18 th June	Year 1/2 Ceres Excursion			
Friday 25 th June	End of Term 2 – Students Dismissed 2.30pm			
TERM DATES 2021				
Term 2	Ends Friday 25 th June - 2.30pm			
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

Foundation Enrolments 2022

Places are filling up fast in our foundation classes for 2022. If you are an existing family with a younger sibling or know of other families wanting to enrol, please contact the office to collect an enrolment form or book a school tour on 9850 1796.

Bottles needed for Science Day

Dear Families, we are needing around 120 x 600-750ml clear disposable bottles for a Science Day experiment.

We would love you to bring any washed bottles to school for us before Friday 4 June.

If you could please bring any you have to school and give to either Mr Beasley (Yr3/4) or Mr Toogood (Foundation), it would be greatly appreciated.







DISTRICT CROSS COUNTRY

On Tuesday the school cross country team competed in the District Cross Country at Ruffey Lake Park. All 58 children represented our school with great pride and gave their absolute all. The year 10s ran 2 kilometres while the year 11s and 12s ran 3kms, each race finishing with the "torture" hill! All the children should feel very proud of their achievements and it was wonderful to hear them cheering on their team mates as they ran to the finish line.

Big Thank you to Sam Wang and Reannan Rossi for coming to help on the day.

Five students finished in the top 10 and will now go on to represent both our school and the District at the Division Cross Country on the 1st June at the Yarra Valley Race course.

Angus S 7^{th} Yr 10 Boys Ashley L 5^{th} Yr 11 Girls Rosie Y 3^{rd} Yr 12 Girls Chloe C 4^{th} Yr 12 Girls Matthew H 8^{th} Yr 12 Boys

Congratulations to ALL the students!

Kate Stacker
PE Teacher

THPS SCIENCE DAY

On Friday the 11th of June, THPS will celebrate Science Day. This year's school theme is 'Deep Blue: innovations for the future of our oceans.' We encourage students to **come dressed up** using the oceans theme as inspiration. Students could come dressed as a sea animal, marine plant, sea vessel, marine biologist, scuba diver or a captain of a boat.

Throughout the day, students will be involved in hands on tasks and participate in an incursion. 'The Deep Blue Oceans Show' by Fizzics Education will explore the physical factors that determine life underwater and along our coastlines.

In preparation for an experiment on the day, we are asking families to donate **clear 500ml plastic bottles**. Please drop the bottles to Hugh Beasley's (3/4H) classroom.





Saturday 29/5/21 - 70s Themed Disco Bingo

The THPS Parent Social Night is always a fun and entertaining night out! **TICKETS ON SALE NOW!** Tickets are \$25 each available online at https://www.trybooking.com/BRAKL

To reserve a table for your group (up to 10 people), please email us or simply let your friends know which table number you are on. Table name requests can be emailed to us. Don't worry if you don't know

anyone but would like to join in, we have reserved a table per level for anyone to join. This year we are focusing on getting the community together again to have fun. There will be some games and a raffle – bring some gold coins. *No obligation to dress up in costume.* Will be held in the school gym – **NO STILETTOS** (will damage gym floor). **Raffle tickets** will be sent home today via the oldest child, also available at school office and on the night (\$2 each or 3 for \$5). The raffle is an opportunity to be involved and support our social night if you aren't able to attend.

DONATIONS NEEDED

We need donations of wine and chocolates for prizes at our parent social night. If you are able to, please donate a box of chocolates and/or bottle of wine. Please drop donations off at the office anytime.

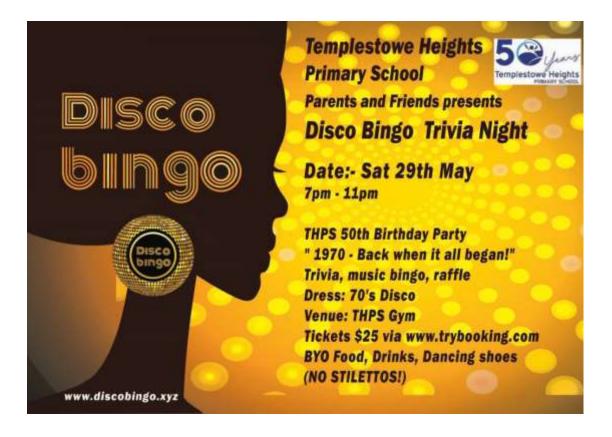
Active-A-Thon - Friday 28/5/21 - Education Week

This year's Active-A-Thon theme will be the olympics, in celebration of the upcoming Tokyo Olympic Games. Students can wear olympic themed outfits. The event will run from 9:15am - 10:30. Our annual active-a-thon is a sponsored run/walk around the school with regular stops at activity stations. We will need lots of helpers — must have a WWCC. Please email us if you are able to help. Parents/guardians are welcome to come along on the day to help with the event or to cheer on the participants, everyone must sign in at the office. **Special lunch orders** will be available online from Baker's Delight Macedon — you will need to order for each child separately before 5pm Wed 28th May http://bit.ly/thps-lunches. Classroom Cuisine lunch orders will not be available on this day. Each child will receive a Zooper Dooper afterwards. The sponsorship form was sent home this week. Kids who raise over \$50 and return their form on time will be in the draw to win a prize

Bakers Delight Lunch Orders

We have partnered with our local Macedon Bakers Delight to offer Tuesday lunch orders for our families. Please use the link to order http://bit.ly/thps-lunches . 20% of each order will be donated back to our school. Orders close each week at 5pm on Sunday, and will be delivered to school before lunchtime. (You will still need to send something for recess to school with your child).

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



	HIGH FLYERS WEEK 4 TERM 2		
Year	Name	Received Award	
FN	Luke	Luke, thank you for using your character strength of kindness every day! You are a caring member of Foundation N who always helps people who are hurt, need a hug, or need an extra pair of hands. Thank you for being such a kind friend to us all!	
FT	Georgia	For displaying the character strength of KINDNESS. Georgia can always be depended upon to help her friends in Foundation T. She is often seen helping others know what to do in class and shows care when someone is upset! Well done Georgia!	
1/2B	Hisham	Welcome to our school Hisham! It is great to have you part of the Year 1/2 team. You have used bravery this week and given everything a red hot go! Keep smiling and we hope you enjoy THPS.	
1/2J	Avery	For always respectfully cooperating with others in our class. Avery, you constantly think of and listen to your friends and lead by example. It was so impressive to spot you showing kindness and thoughtfulness when some 1/2J students returned from Miss Clark and you showed and explained to them what they needed to do for our next learning activity. Thank you for your teamwork and effort in being kind and courteous. Well done Avery! We are so proud of you in 1/2J!	
1/2K	Leo	Leo, you have been spotted showing the Character Strength of Honesty! You were truthful about your actions even when it was difficult to do so. You showed courage in taking responsibility and this set an example for the rest of the class. Well done, Leo!	
1/2M	Alex	You have been spotted using the characteristic of Leadership and Teamwork, when you offered to help out a fellow member of 1/2 M who required assistance in writing. It was great to see you take on this initiative. Thank you for stepping up!	
1/2W	Imogen	1/2W consistently spot Imogen showing perseverance towards her learning. She strives to achieve her personal best and is able to use feedback to improve her learning. It is fantastic to see Imogen use more challenging conjunctions and complex punctuation in her writing. We love how Imogen is more willing to share her interesting ideas and perspectives. Keep up the amazing effort!	
3/4F	Raegan	Raegan, you have been spotted using self-regulation this week to complete detailed sentences using because, but and so. This demonstrated your perseverance to complete the task and displayed your understanding and curiosity of our Inquiry topic, 'The Blue Marble'. Keep up this great work ethic!	
3/4J	Jayden	Jayden, Hats off to you for displaying the character strengths of Bravery, Zest and Fairness when you've stepped up to play Interschool Sport Footy with the 5/6s. You also show a Love for Learning and Persistence in class; it's great that you are so open to feedback to help you grow as an independent learner. Well done and keep it up © © ©	
	Rhys	Rhys, Hats off to you for displaying the character strengths of Bravery, Zest and Fairness when you've stepped up to play Interschool Sport Footy with the 5/6s. In class, your learning efforts are noted, as is your kindness to friends, teachers and dogs alike. So glad you are in our class. © © ©	
3/4R	Zack	You have been spotted demonstrating the Character Strengths of Honesty for telling the truth and taking responsibility about how you are feeling through your wellbeing journal, kindness towards your teacher and classmates, and a sprinkle of humour as you are always giggling and making Miss Rossi laugh. You are a super star member of our class!	
5/6C	Cooper	Please find Cooper Olsen's high flyer from 5/6C: Congratulations Cooper (aka Tiger) - you are 5/6C's high flyer! We have spotted you being so supportive of other students in the classroom, during lunchtimes and interschool sport – demonstrating the character strengths of kindness, teamwork and leadership! We love the humour that you bring to our classroom and how you always make us laugh! Our favourite one this week – when you wished Mr Veal a happy 300th birthday! Congratulations, Cooper!	
5/6P	Arman	Arman, 5/6P, Mr Sartori & Mr Eom have nominated you for our class High Flyer this week and last week because you have showed the character strength of kindness & love of learning. You consistently demonstrate kindness towards your fellow classmates by always looking out for them and helping them when they need. You have also led the way with your participation in class discussions and completing your learning tasks. Keep leading by example, Arman!	



Templestowe Heights Primary School Delightful lunch orders











Templestowe Heights Primary School is being supported by Bakers Delight Macedon Plaza to help raise some funds to landscape the front of our school.

The school will receive 20% of the total lunch order purchased.

Help us raise some funds by choosing from a selection of popular freshly baked products for your child's lunch. Ordering is easy and it's all done online. Your child's lunch order will be delivered to the school office each Tuesday before 12.30pm. Separate orders need to be placed for each child.

Tuesday weekly lunch orders – from 4th May 2021

Orders close: each Sunday at 5pm

Delivery: Lunch time each Tuesday

(please not that orders for the following week will reopen on the Wednesday morning)



OR go to:

http://bit.ly/thps-lunches

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User Tips

♦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
 - 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.

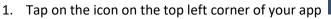
♦School reports

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 childs teacher.

♦Events Consent (Incursions, Excursions, Permissions)

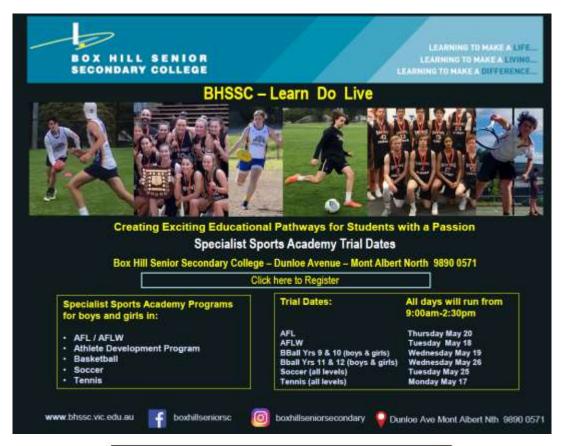




2. Choose "Events" tab and follow the prompts.

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





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