

Our News



Templestowe Heights
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News from Templestowe Heights Primary School

Newsletter Term 2 Week 3

10th February 2022

Templestowe Heights Primary School Values

Persistence

Respect

Courage

Responsibility

"inspiring learners for life"



School Photos Tuesday 22nd February

PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

Foundation Students First Day

On Monday we welcomed the newest members to our learning community, our 2022 Foundation students for their first official day of school. While there was so much excitement as the students walked in with their school bags (almost bigger than them) and wearing their new clean uniforms (won't last long), it was clearly evident they were all ready. The students undertook a walk around the school with their classes to orientate themselves. They did come across one tired Mr Veal who was sleeping on the Sick Bay room bed. A massive thank you to our wonderful Foundation team of Jacqui Roche, Karin Diep, Jenna Milligan and Ross Toogood for creating such a supportive, welcoming program but also to all our parents and carers for preparing the students so well for "big kid" school.



Information Evenings (online)

Year 1 to 6

On Tuesday 22nd February at 7pm, we will be hosting our year 1 - 6 parent/carers information session. The purpose of this online session is to inform families of the learning opportunities and experiences for students Templestowe Heights Primary. This online event will be hosted on **WebEx number 579 980 226**.

Foundation

We will also be hosting our online Foundation Information session two nights later, on Thursday 24th February at 7pm using the same **WebEx number 579 980 226**.

Swimming Carnival

On Wednesday all students in year 3-6 participated in our annual swimming carnival. Students had the option of participating in competitive races or join in a fun event where they could play in the pool. The much-anticipated Staff vs Students 50m relay race was the blue-ribbon event, with the staff once again prevailing. A big thank you to our PE teacher *Jaime Buccilli* for organising such a worthwhile event and for all the staff that supported on the day.

Assembly this Friday (online)

This Friday (11th Feb) we will be hosting our first assembly for the year. Due to covid restrictions, the assembly will be online via WebEx and families can log in using this room number-**579 980 226**.

Parent/Carer - Teacher Discussions

In the week commencing Monday 28th February we will be holding our first semester parent/carers-teacher discussions. The purpose of these 15-minute catch ups are for families to meet their child's teacher and discuss their progress settling in. The discussions will be online due to covid restrictions. Information will be coming out shortly explaining how to book a preferred time.

Rapid Antigen Tests

Today students will be coming home with their second box of rapid antigen tests (RAT). Each box contains a further 5 RATs and it is recommended that parent/carers continue to test their children twice a week on preferred school days. Thank you to all the families for supporting this initiative that ensures we are doing what we can to make our school safe.

Building Update

Demolition continues to take place in our west building in preparation for the construction of our new library, sick bay, admin office and staffroom. While there has been some noise, the builders are doing their best to leave the times when the students aren't in their classrooms. Our *Science, Technology, Engineering, Arts & Mathematics* (STEAM) building is just about ready for the foundations to be installed as the ground has now been levelled, meaning there are no more vibrations permeating through the year 5/6 classrooms.

Rhys Coulson

Principal

CALENDAR OF EVENTS 2022

Term 1

Tuesday 15 th February	Visiting Nurse Forms to be returned – Foundation Students
Wednesday 16 th February	Secondhand Uniform Open 3 - 4pm School Council Meeting – 7.00pm
Friday 18 th February	Parents & Friends Class Reps Meeting Secondhand Uniform Open 3 - 4pm
Tuesday 22 nd February	SCHOOL PHOTOS Grade 1-6 Information Night – 7.00pm - Webex no. 579 980 226
Thursday 24 th February	Foundation Information Night – 7.00pm - Webex no. 579 980 226
Monday 28 th February	Local Walking, PG Movie and Buzz List permissions due Parent Payment Contributions Due
Mon 28 th Feb to Fri 4 th March	Parent Teacher Discussions
Monday 14 th March	Labour Day – Public Holiday
Wednesday 16 th March	School Council Meeting – 7.00pm

TERM DATES 2022

Term 1	Tuesday 1 st February to Friday 8 th April
Term 2	Tuesday 26 th April to Friday 24 th June
Term 3	Monday 11 th July to Friday 16 th September
Term 4	Monday 3 rd October to Friday 20 th December

Pupil Free Days

Monday 30 th May
Monday 31 st October

FROM THE OFFICE

Local Walking Permission

From time to time students take part in local walking excursions in the neighbourhood under the supervision of our staff. **All families are invited to provide consent** for this via the Events tab in their Compass account. This permission is due by Monday 28th February.

PG Movie Permission

Occasionally students will watch PG Movies at school, while attending excursions, or on school camp under the supervision of our staff. **If you are new to the school you would have received a Compass** notification inviting you to complete the permission in the events tab. For existing families your previous permission will carry over for the duration that your child will be at our school. This permission is due by Monday 28th February.

Family Contact List (Buzz List)

Every year the office compiles a class buzz list that is distributed to all members in your child's class. **If you are new to the school you would have received a Compass** notification asking you to complete the permission via the events tab to be included on this list. For existing families your details will carry over for the duration that your child will be at our school and you will automatically be included in your child's new class family contact list. If your details have changed please contact the office so we can update our system. This permission is due by Monday 28th February.

2022 Parent Payments

Parent Contributions 2022 notices are available from the school office. Payments can be made via cash visa, Mastercard, EFTPOS or BPay. Please contact the office if you have any questions or would like to make alternative payment arrangements. Payment 1 due by Monday 28th February

Payments Due

Y5/6 Summer Sports – Tuesday 8th February

Parent contributions - Monday 28th February

VOLUNTEERS AND VISITORS TO THE SCHOOL

All parents and carers wishing to help or visit the school must hold a valid WWC.

Go to <https://www.workingwithchildren.vic.gov.au> to apply as a volunteer and present your card to the school office.

Visitors must also comply with vaccination requirements, density limits, face mask requirements and QR code check-ins. The Education Department requires all volunteers to provide a Proof of Vaccination Certificate to the school office before volunteering in any capacity.

FIRST AID UPDATE

If your child has developed any new medical condition or his/her medical condition has changed since the end of last year please contact our school first aid officer Tanya Misquitta on Tanya.misquitta@education.vic.gov.au.

SECONDHAND UNIFORM SHOP

The second hand uniform will be open from 3.00pm to 4.00pm on Wednesday 16th and Friday 18th February.

CAMPS, SPORTS AND EXCURSIONS FUND APPLICATIONS

The Camps, Sports and Excursions Fund helps eligible families to cover the costs of school trips, camps and sporting activities.

If you have a valid means-tested concession card, such as a Veterans Affairs Gold Card, Centrelink Health Care Card or Pensioner Concession Card, or are a temporary foster parent, you may be eligible. There is also a special consideration category for asylum seeker and refugee families.

Payment amounts this year are \$125 for eligible primary school students. Payments are made direct to the school to use towards expenses relating to camps, excursions and sporting activities for the benefit of your child.

If you applied for CSEF through our school last year, you do not need to complete an application form this year, unless there has been a change in your family circumstances.

If you would like to apply for the first time, please contact the school office on 9850 1796 and ask for an application form.

PARKING



At this busy time of the year, please be mindful of students and other drivers when parking around the school. The safety of our students is the responsibility of all of us. **The carpark is for staff only.** Please do not use the staff carpark for pickups and drops offs at any time.

VISITING PRIMARY SCHOOL NURSE FOUNDATION STUDENTS

Nicole Joyce, a visiting primary school nurse from the Department of Education and Training, will be attending the school to conduct the Prep health assessments and to see other children as requested by teachers (with parents' consent).

The purpose of the visit is to provide children in their first year of primary school with the opportunity to have a health assessment; to link children, families and school communities to services available in the community; and to provide information and advice that promotes health and wellbeing.

The confidential questionnaire will provide important information about your child's health so the nurse can make an effective assessment. If your child requires further assessment, such as vision, hearing or speech assessments the nurse will see him or her at school.

- If you would like your child to participate in the Primary School Nursing Program please indicate this by ticking the YES consent box (page 5), sign and fill out the questionnaire and return the completed student entrant health questionnaire to your child's school.

- If you do not wish your child to participate in the Primary School Nurse Program please tick the NO consent box (page 5), sign and return the student entrant health questionnaire to your child's school.

Parents are invited to contact the visiting primary school nurse if there are any issues they wish to discuss. The contact number is 0459 873 959.

Once completed, can you please return the questionnaires to your child's school teacher in the sealed envelope by the specified return date.

Thank you

Nicole Joyce





NEWS



WELCOME TO THE NEW ART SPACE

WE ARE LOCATED IN THE 3/4 LEARNING SPACE





We have already started some fantastic art work. The Year 3-6 students have been inspired by Romero Britto's Pop Art and the Foundation to Year 2's have created a swimming self-portrait.

We are excited to continue exploring our creativity this term!

Mrs Birrell: Monday, Wednesday, Thursday

Miss Harding: Tuesday

House Swimming Carnival 2022



MEET OUR 2022 SPECIALIST TEAM



ART
Joy Birrell



ART
Clare Harding



ENRICHMENT
Janine Reid



ITALIAN
Dina Velona



**LITERACY
INTERVENTION**
Lisa Clark



PE
Jaime Buccilli



**PERFORMING
ARTS**
Sylvia Petrovska

We are looking forward to exploring new learning
adventures with you all!

PE NEWS



AFL CLINIC!



This week we had coaches from the AFL come to THPS to run footy clinics during PE. All students participated, even the brand new Foundation students!

We played games, practiced skills like handballing and kicking and most importantly, had fun!





Parents & Friends/ Class Rep meeting

We will be holding our regular Parents & Friends meeting next Friday 18th February at 9.15am online via Webex. This meeting is usually held early in each term to discuss upcoming P&F events. Everyone is welcome to attend.

Run For The Kids

Jane Young (Rose 5/6B) is organising a THPS team for the Run For The Kids on Sunday 3rd April. If you'd like to join us please register to the group - Templestowe Heights Primary School - using the password: Goheights!! <https://www.registernow.com.au/secure/Register.aspx?E=44420&G=147485>



Buzz lists

Please ensure you have completed the permission form on the Compass portal for - Family contact list (Buzz list) – to ensure you are included in all Class Rep emails and information.

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/>

Proof of Vaccination Certificate

Proof of full vaccination will be required to be provided to the school office prior to volunteering in any capacity at school or for school. This includes all indoor and outdoor events/activities, and any parents involved in helping with the basketball competition. Masks will also be required in line with government regulations.

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



Week 2 Term 1

On behalf of Theircare, we would like to welcome all the families that have joined TheirCare in 2022. We hope that your children will have a memorable and fun experience with Theircare.

Welcome to our families! It has been a great honor to meet the families and their children. My aim for the service is to have the children have a voice and have sense of belonging at TheirCare.

The program for the 1st week of Term 1 was based on the staff and the children getting to know one another. Tori, Theodora and I sat down on the floor with the children and had some group discussions. We discussed such things as their favorite activities and food they would like to have for afternoon tea. The group discussions helped me create the program for week 2 to accommodate the children's preferences. We will also be having more group discussions on the expectations of children during BSC (Before School Care and ASC (After School Care)).

This is our wonderful team at Templestowe Heights Primary TheirCare. We are confident that they will make your children's experience fun and enjoyable, and they will help families transition into TheirCare.

Important Information

BSC Hours: 7.00am – 8.45am

ASC Hours: 3.30pm – 6.00pm

Service Phone: 0484 511 125

Head Office: 1300 072 410

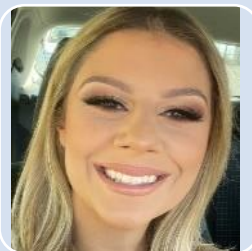
Website: (bookings and accounts)

www.theircare.com.au



Michael

Michael is our Coordinator for the service, Michael has been with TheirCare for 3 years. He was previously a 2IC and has now become our new Coordinator of he service.



Tori

Victoria "Tori" is one of our new casuals at TheirCare. Tori is a third year student studying of Bachelor of Education Teaching (Primary School) at Deakin University.



Theodora

Theodora is also new to TheirCare. Just like Tori, Theodora is also a third year student studying a Bachelor of Education Teaching (Primary) at La Trobe University.



Natalia

Our Area Manager for this region. Natalia has been with TheirCare for 4 years , with 3 of those years being a Specialist Area Manager



BASKETBALL NEWS



Season 1 2022 commences on Monday 21st February

Team lists and registrations were emailed out on Monday.
Please let us know if you didn't receive the email.

We have some spots still left in some of our teams.
For more information, please email Sarah & Kate thpsbasketball@gmail.com

GO HEIGHTS!!!



BASKETBALL NEWS



2022 REGISTRATIONS ARE OPEN!

Please register using the link <https://www.trybooking.com/BVVTP>
For more information, please email Sarah & Kate thpsbasketball@gmail.com

GO HEIGHTS!!!

Community News

TWIN HILLS PRESCHOOL



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TWINHILLSPRESCHOOL.COM.AU**



BULLENTemplestowe JUNIOR FOOTBALL CLUB

OPEN DAY

SUNDAY 13TH FEB
10 AM - 1PM

BULLEEN PARK



GOLD COIN donation gets you:
Sausage in Bread, Icy Pole, Drink & Popcorn
Bring a little spare change
with ALL funds going towards our Development Programs



MEET THE BULLANTS COACHES

TEAM TRAINING TIMES:

9.00am	Under 12s	10.30am	Under 8 & 9s
10.00am	Under 10s	11.00am	Under 13s
	Under 14s	12pm	Under 16s
10.15am	Under 11s		



Scouting's Fun For Families

Try 3 Sessions
FREE!!



1st Templestowe Scout Group

Cub Scouts (Ages 7 – 10) – Thursday 7.00 – 8.30pm
Scouts (Ages 11 – 14) – Tuesdays 7.00 – 9.00pm

1st Templestowe Scout Hall – Templestowe Reserve
Corner Porter and Hawtin Streets, Templestowe

gl.1sttemplestowe@scoutsvictoria.com.au

0448 552 173

Information Evening

Thursday 3rd March, 2022, 7.00-8.30 p.m.



Doncaster Calisthenics

COME AND TRY CLASSES

Mondays

Seniors 7:00-9:00pm

Tuesdays

Tinies 4:00-5:15pm
Subbies 5:00-7:00pm
Masters 7:30-9:45pm

Wednesdays

Juniors 5:00-7:00pm
Inters 6:45-9:00pm

Saturdays

Tinies 9:30-10:30am



Venue-Templestowe Baptist Church
For more information visit
www.doncastercalisthenics.org.au



**DONVALE
NETBALL CLUB**

Woolworths



Come and try or register for the AUTUMN SEASON – February to June

- **Join new netball junior teams for the Autumn season**
 - 9/u, 11/u, 13/u, 15/u, 17/u and Open Age Teams
- **Or if you are new to netball, join us for NetSetGO**
 - Australia's official starter program for girls/boys, aged 5-10
 - Passing drills & shooting
 - Ball games & practice matches
 - Friendly coaches... make new friends
- **NetSetGO and club training – Tuesdays**
- **Team competitions – Saturdays**
- Venue: Manningham Templestowe Leisure Centre Netball Courts

www.donvalenc.com.au

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Leisure Centre

We are developing a new masterplan
for Manningham Templestowe Leisure
Centre and want to hear from you.

Tell us what is important
to you at Manningham
Templestowe Leisure Centre
and how you would like
to use it in the future.



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