







News from Templestowe Heights Primary School

Newsletter Term 2 Week 4

17th February 2022

# Templestowe Heights Primary School Values

Persistence

Respect

Courage

Responsibility

"inspiring learners for life"



## School Photos Tuesday 22<sup>nd</sup> February

## PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

#### **Extension of Covidsafe Measures**

Following on from the state Government's announcement today, schools will continue to implement the covid safe measures that we were introduced at the start of the school term. These measures will continue to the end of term 1. The only change is QR Code check in will no longer be required from Monday 21<sup>st</sup> February however all visitors to the school are still required to show proof of vaccination before entering school building.

## **Congratulations Student Voice Leaders**

Each year students in year 6 can nominate for leadership positions to represent our school community. Every year we are so proud of all the students for getting up in front of their peers and delivering a prepared speech as to why they should be elected to the positions. Regardless of the outcome, everyone can be a leader without needing to wear a badge.

Each class also held elections for the semester positions of Junior School Councillor and Environmental Leaders. Unfortunately we are unable to host a special badge presentation this semester, elected students will receive their badges in the coming weeks at our online assembly.

Bradman House	Cuthbert House	Newcombe House	Goolagong House			
Marlo and Thomas	Charlotte and Rhys	Ashley and Joshua	Willow and Arman			
Art	Performing Arts	Environmental	STEM			
Gemma & Niki	Chloe & Ally	Odette & Jack	Gahe & Tom			

YR	JSC	Enviro	YR	JSC	Enviro
FD	Crystal	Hayley	3/4B	Layan	Belle
FM	Avery	Angelo	3/4D	Sebastian	Taneen
FR	Anabelle	Daisy	3/4H	Zoe	Isabella
FT	Dion	Hayley	3/4J	Dominic	Sienna
1/2M	Alba	Kiara	3/4R	Emersyn	Kiki
1/2V	Olive	Kit	5/6A	Edward	Alex
1/2R	Ben	Milana	5/6B	Kiana	Andy
1/2K	Raphael	Austin	5/6F	Talia	Luca
1/2J	Elwood	lvy	5/6K	Cooper	Christina
1/2C	Lachlan	Lachlan	5/6S	Cameron	Piper

## Assembly

School assemblies continue to be hosted online every Friday at 3:10pm. Families are able to log in using WebEx meeting number-579 980 226.

#### Parents & Friends (P&F) Meeting

This Friday (tomorrow) at 9:15am the P&F will be hosting their first meeting for the year online. It is an opportunity for all parents and carers who are interested in helping support our school community to come along and find out how they can contribute. Our Class Reps will also be in attendance to share how they can support each class. Office Bearers will also be elected during this meeting. Thank you to *Cecile, Fiona, Oula* and *Sarah* (fab four) for planning this meeting. Webex number is: **579 980 226.** 

#### Parent/Carer - Teacher Discussions

In the week beginning 28<sup>th</sup> February, we will be holding our first semester parent/carer-teacher discussions. The 15-minute catch ups are an opportunity 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. On Monday families will be able to access times to book for parent-teacher discussions.

## **Information Nights**

Next Tuesday (Yr1-6) and Thursday (Foundation) we will be hosting our Information evenings. The online events are an opportunity for families to log in and learn about the programs we deliver in our classrooms. The chat function on the night will also provide an opportunity to ask questions that our THPS team can answer.

## **Building Update and 3D walk-through**

Demolition of the roof took place over the weekend and the framing will commence shortly for our new library, sick bay, administration room and staffroom. Our *Science, Technology, Engineering, Arts & Mathematics* (STEAM) site resembles the underground of the colosseum. You can click below to see a 3D virtual walk through of what our new STEAM building will look like here:

https://templestowehts.vic.edu.au/about-us/

#### Remote Control Car Club (RCCC)

The very capable Max (5/6K) and Max (5/6B) have been busy in the car workshop repairing and recalibrating some of the school's remote-control cars. Monday (recess in the gym) and Wednesday (lunch time meet at the chicken coop) will be the two times we will be running our RCCC. Students can bring along their own remote control car and race them either in the gymnasium (speed track) or offroad, by making their own tracks.

#### Rhys Coulson Principal

CALENDAR OF EVENTS 2022				
Term 1				
Friday 18 <sup>th</sup> February	Parents & Friends Class Reps Meeting 9.15am - Webex no. 579 980 226 Secondhand Uniform Open 3 - 4pm			
Tuesday 22 <sup>nd</sup> February	SCHOOL PHOTOS  Grade 1-6 Information Night – 7.00pm - Webex no. 579 980 226			
Thursday 24 <sup>th</sup> February	Foundation Information Night – 7.00pm - Webex no. 579 980 226			
Monday 28 <sup>th</sup> February	Local Walking and PG Movie permissions due Parent Payment Contributions Due			
Mon 28 <sup>th</sup> Feb to Fri 4 <sup>th</sup> March	Parent Teacher Discussions			
Monday 14 <sup>th</sup> March	Labour Day – Public Holiday			
Wednesday 16 <sup>th</sup> March	School Council Meeting – 7.00pm			
TERM DATES 2022				
Term 1	Tuesday 1 <sup>st</sup> February to Friday 8 <sup>th</sup> April			
Term 2	Tuesday 26 <sup>th</sup> April to Friday 24 <sup>th</sup> June			
Term 3	Monday 11 <sup>th</sup> July to Friday 16 <sup>th</sup> September			
Term 4	Monday 3 <sup>rd</sup> October to Friday 20 <sup>th</sup> December			
Pupil Free Days				
Monday 30 <sup>th</sup> May				
Monday 31 <sup>st</sup> October				

## **FROM THE OFFICE**

#### **Parent Contact Details**

#### Have you moved house or changed contact details?

It is important that we have your most current details in case of an emergency. It is also important that you keep your mobile phone number, home address and email address details up to date. This is to ensure you do not miss out on vital information including student attendance alerts. Please find attached the change of details form. Complete the required changes and return this form to the school office or via email at:

templestowe.heights.ps@education.vic.gov.au

## Family Contact List (Buzz List)

We have made changes to the way we collect information for our class contact lists. Stay tuned for more information in the week ahead.

## **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 28<sup>th</sup> 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 28<sup>th</sup> 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 is due by Monday 28<sup>th</sup> 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 checkins. The Education Department requires all volunteers to provide a Proof of Vaccination Certificate to the school office before volunteering in any capacity.

## SECONDHAND UNIFORM SHOP



The second hand uniform will be open every Wednesdays and Thursday afternoon from 3.00pm to 4.00pm



## Parents & Friends/ Class Rep meeting

We will be holding our regular Parents & Friends meeting tomorrow 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. Webex number 579 980 226

## Parent Social Night - Barefoot Bowls

We are hoping to hold our first Barefoot Bowls evening towards the end of term. It will be a casual social event for parents to meet, welcome the new school year and have some fun.

#### **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 <a href="mailto:thpspaf@gmail.com">thpspaf@gmail.com</a>

# **Community News**





Call 9842 6726 for more information or visit pineslearning.com.au





# **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!!!



## About Us

Vista Valley Kindergarten is nestled amongst naturally landscaped gardens. It is an established kindergarten with an atmosphere that promotes individuality in a happy, friendly and secure environment.

We are a community based, not-forprofit kindergarten providing high quality early childhood education.

We endeavour to inspire children's learning through the five learning outcomes of Identity, Community, Wellbeing, Learning and Communication. Individualised and group learning programs are guided by 'The Victorian Early Years Learning and Development Framework', designed and implemented by highly experienced and trained educators.

# Get Involved

Joining the Committee of Management is a great opportunity for parents to be a part of the running and decision making at the kindergarten, as well as getting to know other parents in the kinder community.

## Session Times

## 3 year old program - Caterpillar Group

Monday & Friday 9:15 am – 1:15 pm [8 hours]

## 4 year old program - Butterfly Group

Tuesday, Wednesday & Thursday 9:15 am – 2:15 pm [15 hours]

# For more information

Visit www.vistavalleykindergarten.com.au or call 9850 4043 to arrange a tour today! Enrolments open to children from 2 years of age.

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