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News from Templestowe Heights Primary School

Primary School 9850 1796

24<sup>th</sup> March 2022

Templestowe Heights

Newsletter Term 1 Week 9

Templestowe Heights Primary School Values

Persistence

Respect

Courage "inspiring learners for life"

Responsibility



Wear something Orange or your cultural clothing to support cultural diversity

### **PRINCIPAL'S REPORT**

#### **Creating a THPS Acknowledgement to Country**

We are looking forward to having two Koorie Education Support Officers, Kira Peters and Mark Lumley, visit THPS next Friday the 1<sup>st</sup> April to work with our year 6 leaders. They will be supporting and collaborating with our students on creating a THPS Acknowledgement to Country.

Koorie Education Support Officers are area-based professionals who are members of the local Aboriginal community with an understanding of Aboriginal culture and the history of their community. We are really excited to have student voice and input on this journey. Thank you to Emma Vogel for leading this exciting initiative.

#### **Harmony Day**

Tomorrow (Friday) we will be celebrating World Harmony Week. The day is about celebrating our cultural diversity within our inclusive, respectful school community. Students are encouraged to wear orange or your cultural clothing to symbolise tolerance and understanding. Thank you to the JSC students for organising this event.

#### National Assessment Plan Literacy and Numeracy (NAPLAN) Practice Test

Today all year 3 and 5 students participated in an online NAPLAN practice test. The purpose of the online test was to ensure we have the internet capability as well as provide an opportunity for students to experience an online test. This year, all Victorian schools will be running the NAPLAN tests online with the exception of our year 3 students who will conduct the writing test the traditional way- with a pencil and paper. The real NAPLAN is during the week commencing the 9<sup>th</sup> May.

#### **ANZAC Day Badges**

Our School Captains and JSC are visiting classrooms every afternoon to sell ANZAC badges. The prices range from \$2 -\$10 with all proceeds going to the Returned Services League.

#### Year 5/6 Camp Information Night

Next Tuesday evening at 7pm the 5/6 team will be hosting a camp information session online on WebEx No.578 794 881. The purpose is to inform families about the where, how and what of our exciting camp to Philip Island.

#### Water Leak

We are currently leaking 455 litres of water every hour. Tomorrow morning we have a contactor attempting to locate the leak with advanced equipment and as a result the water will be turned off until 10am.

**Rhys Coulson** Principal



## **CALENDAR OF EVENTS 2022**

Term 1		
Friday 25 <sup>th</sup> March	Harmony Day	
Tuesday 29 <sup>th</sup> March	Year 5/6 Camp Information Night @ 7pm WebEx No.578 794 881	
Friday 1 <sup>st</sup> April	Parent Social Night – Barefoot Bowls 5.30 to 8.30pm	
Monday 4 <sup>th</sup> April	Raffle Tickets and Easter Donations Due	
Friday 8 <sup>th</sup> April	Easter Raffle Drawn	
	Last Day of Term 1 - Students dismissed at 2.30pm	
TERM 2		
Tuesday 26 <sup>th</sup> April	Term 2 begins	
Friday 6 <sup>th</sup> May	House Cross Country	
Wed 25 <sup>th</sup> to Fri 27 <sup>th</sup> May	Year 5/6 Camp to Phillip Island	
TERM DATES 2022		
Term 1	Term 1 Tuesday 1 <sup>st</sup> February to Friday 8 <sup>th</sup> April	
Term 2	Term 2 Tuesday 26 <sup>th</sup> April to Friday 24 <sup>th</sup> June	
Term 3	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

#### **End of Term Dismissal Times**

We have had a few enquiries from parents and carers about the finishing time at the end of each term.

The finishing time for the last day of term 1, 2 and 3 is 2.30pm

The finishing time for the last day of the school year in term 4 is 1.30pm

#### **School Photos**

lease check their school bags and satchels

School photos have arrived. Students will be bringing them home today. Please check their school bags and satchels and direct any enquires directly to Creative Exposures on 5255 5042

#### JUNIOR SCHOOL COUNCIL NEWS

## ANZAC DAY APPEAL

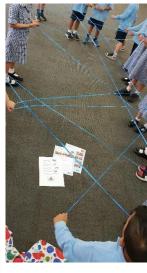


During the next few weeks our Junior School Council will be selling merchandise for the ANZAC appeal. Our JSC representatives will be visiting each class until all merchandise is sold out. Pins are being sold for \$2, bracelets for \$3 and badges for \$5. All proceeds will be donated to the Templestowe RSL in support of all current and former service men and women and their families. Thank you for your support. Please ensure students bring the <u>correct money as change cannot be given</u>.

# DERFORMING ARTS Term 1-DRAMA

Term 1 has kicked off with rhyme and poetry! Take a sneak peek of our young performers exploring the theme 'Storybooks Come to Life' Mrs Petrovska (Performing Arts Teacher)

Our fabulous foundation performers have been exploring storybooks by Eric Carle including The Very Hungry Caterpillar, The Mixed up Chameleon and The Very Busy Spider. Through dramatic play and song and rhyme, students have acted out the Hungry Caterpillars journey and created their own versions of the story.







The Hungry caterpillar built a cocoon...'



Students created 'The Very Busy Spider's' Web

'The caterpillar became a beautiful butterfly

Our terrific year 1/2s have been exploring picture story books set in the 'Sea' including 'The Magic Beach' and 'There's a Sea in My Bedroom'. Students have re-enacted scenes from such stories through role play, freeze frames, improvisation and have written and performed their own rhyming couplet poems inspired by these stories.



Freeze Frame of a 'Starfish'



Freeze Frame of treasure in a 'Treasure Chest'





Students wrote dialogue for the characters in the 'fishing' scene from the story 'The Magic Beach'

Our terrific 3/4s have been studying Roald Dahl's poetry in 'George's Marvellous Medicine', and other poetry based literature including 'Double Double, Toil and Trouble' from Shakespeare's Macbeth and Harry Potter's 'The Sorting Hat'. Students used these styles of poetry as inspiration to write and perform their own wizardry potion poems.







Our spectacular year 5/6 performers have been studying the concept of 'Symbolism' and how that is portrayed in imagery, poetry & picture story books including 'The Red Tree' by Shaun Tan. Students have interpreted 'Symbolism' through freeze frames and their own poetry slams.

Freeze frame symbolism interpretation-Despair, Darkness Free

Freeze frame symbolism interpretation-Trapped,















Student	Class	HIGH FLYERS WEEK 8
Xavier	12J	You have made a wonderful start to the year Xavier! You have demonstrated kindness and teamwork in supporting your peers and making sure everyone is safe and happy in our classroom and school yard. It has been great to see you coming to school with a big smile on your face and to watch your confidence grow. We can't wait to see what you achieve in Grade 2 this year!
Raphael	12K	Raphael, you are our High Flyer this week! We consistently notice you showing kindness to your peers and your teachers. Your support and consideration towards others inspires all of us to show the same. You make an effort to care about others, to include people and to generously share your things. Keep on spreading your kindness, Raphael! You make our classroom community a positive one!
Arlo	12M	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!
Aleks	12R	Aleks, you burst into the classroom each morning with a smile and a fun fact to share. Your commitment to sharing knowledge and always interrogating why something is the way it is, is truly impressive. You are a responsible and exuberant member of our class and we can't wait to see you shine bright in 1/2R this year.
Avery	12V	Avery, this week you have been spotted using the Character Strength of Love of Learning. I have been so impressed to see you using initiative during our literacy sessions. You always take it upon yourself to expand your sentences by including adjectives and further detail. Thank you for showing leadership in the classroom, and always being a kind friend that anyone in 1/2V can turn to when they need help.You're a star Avery! Keep up the great work.
Bella	34B	For being a wonderful role model for 3/4B. Bella displays a love of learning by contributing to class discussion and by always trying her best. Your neat work Bella, is of a high standard and is an exemplar for all students. Thank you for being a kind and considerate person. Well done Bella.
Stefan	34D	Stefan has a happy and enthusiastic attitude towards all aspects of his learning. He shows zest by approaching life and activities with excitement. Tremendous work Stef! Keep being you in the 3/4D classroom and at T.H.P.S.
Rowan	34H	Rowan, we are so impressed with how you have grown as a learner over the last couple of weeks. You have shown great improvement in your learning habits and love of learning by having a growth mindset. 3/4H has also seen an improvement in your self-regulation and we are all so proud of you. Well Done!
Sienna	3/4J	Sienna, you have really grown into the year with a big sense of responsibility in class and with your new environmental role. It is wonderful to hear your thoughts and ideas and see you readily joining in. Keep it up, Sienna. Well done!
Gordon	3/4R	Gordon, you have displayed a great attitude throughout the year and shown that you are capable of incorporating feedback. You are always mindful of your learning buddy and try your best in every task, even when you have doubts, which shows your growth mindset and love of learning. Great job Gordon!
Eliza	5/6F	Eliza, this week 5/6F were very impressed with your sentences about the Moomba Festival. You demonstrated a clear understanding of the four sentence types and engaged your class members with your descriptive language and effective use of tier 2 words. Keep up the amazing writing!
Emilio	5/6K	Emilio, you consistently demonstrate outstanding work habits in the classroom. You make thoughtful contributions to classroom discussions and are always considerate of others opinions. Keep up the wonderful work and thank you for being a valued member of 5/6K.



#### Barefoot Bowls & Pizza Night - Parent Social Night - Fri 1st April

We will be holding our first Barefoot Bowls evening on Friday 1st April 5.30-8.30pm. It will be a casual social event for parents to meet, welcome the new school year and have some fun in a relaxed environment. Pizzas will be provided, drinks at bar prices. This event is for ADULTS ONLY – no children. Ticket sales are now closed however if you have any enquires please email us on the address below.

#### Easter Raffle & donations

The highly anticipated annual Easter Raffle will be drawn in the final assembly of term 1 on Friday 8th April. Raffle tickets for each student were sent home last week and will need to be returned by Mon 4th April. Families can donate bought items to be included in the raffle hampers. Please bring donations into the office anytime after the long weekend Monday 4th April. Please check ingredients and ensure all items are **NUT FREE**. Any Easter themed items 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 but \$2 from every pack sold will be donated towards our school fundraising. Orders close 5pm Wed 6th April, for pick up from the bakery on Fri 8th April (last day of term). To order, click on <u>http://bit.ly/thps-easter</u>

#### **Bakers Delight Lunch Orders**

We have partnered with our local Bakers Delight to offer Tuesday lunch orders for our families.

Please use the link to order <u>http://bit.ly/thps-lunches</u> . 20% of each order will be donated back to our school. Orders close each week at 5pm on Sundays, and will be delivered to school before lunchtime on Tuesdays.

#### **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!! <u>https://www.registernow.com.au/secure/Register.aspx?E=44420&G=147485</u>

If you'd like to support the team but can't participate, the **fundraising page** can be found at <u>https://runforthekids2021-</u>2022.gofundraise.com.au/page/TEMPLESTOWEHEIGHTSPRIMA22534987



#### 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 <a href="https://wwcv.auspost.com.au/">https://wwcv.auspost.com.au/</a>

#### **THPS Parents & Friends Community Facebook page**

Join the THPS closed Facebook group by searching for THPS Parents & Friends Community and answering the question <a href="https://www.facebook.com/groups/758762184247385">https://www.facebook.com/groups/758762184247385</a>

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



# **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 Wednesday, 6<sup>th</sup> April 2022

Collection: Friday 8<sup>th</sup> April 2022

Collection from: Bakers Delight Macedon Plaza

## Scan this code



OR go to:

http://bit.ly/thps-easter

# **Bakers Delight Macedon Plaza**



#### Dear Families,

Musicorp has offered Templestowe Heights Primary School students instrumental lessons for a number of years now however we have not been able to have a visit from Musicorp due to COVID and therefore students may not be aware of the opportunity to enrol.

The term lesson fee is paid directly to Musicorp and includes a weekly small group lesson, a band rehearsal (once students are at a suitable level), tutor book, music stand and an instrument! Students are able to take the instruments home each week for practice. If the instrument is not transportable, e.g. keyboards or drum kits, an additional instrument will be provided for home practice.

Our acoustic instruments program is \$224/term and our electric instruments program \$259/term. This is charged as a term fee, and payment plans are available. Lessons are held on Thursday during school time.

If you are interested in your child participating in our new music program in 2022, please scan the attached QR code and fill out the Expression of Interest Form.

We are very excited to be able to expand your children's music education at the school and encourage all our students to be involved.





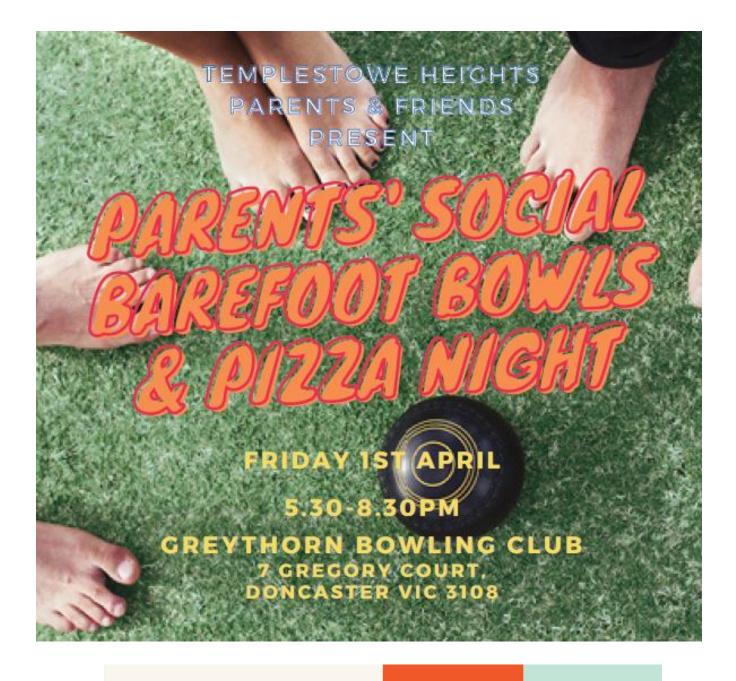
Ph. 1300 858 911

Musicorp holds weekly group lessons at your child's school. The term fee includes the lessons, book, music stand and instrument to take home and practice with.

Scan the QR code for full details, including pricing, available instruments and to enrol.

Or go to: www.polygon.ws/lessons





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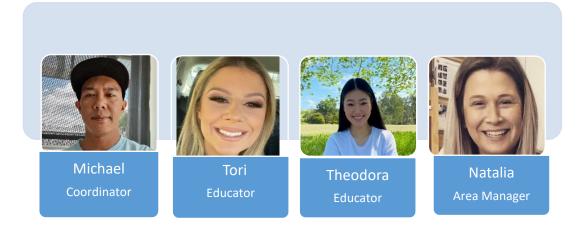
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**SUPPORT** Every Membership we sell, 20% goes directly to our fundraising

SHOW YOUR





Last week's theme was 'minute to win it'! The students' favourite game was trying to unstack and re stack a pyramid of 15 cups within a minute. Wow we have never seen the students be so competitive, they tried their best to do it before the minute was up ... and believe it or not, everyone did! They had so much fun playing this game. Once the game was done, we found some students continued playing with the cups in hope to beat their personal best.

Last Thursday, as a team we worked together to make chocolate chip cookies from scratch! Here we gave the older students the opportunity to become their group leader, they helped and encourage the younger students to participate and ensured everyone had an equal opportunity in baking the cookies. 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

Some other great activities the students participated in were playing with hama beads and the 'pick a colour game'. This game is when we assign a colour and a time frame to the group and within that time they need to find and collect as many objects as they can that are that colour.

Some team updates: Tori will be away from the 28<sup>th</sup> of March until the 8<sup>th</sup> of April due to attending placement for uni. We have two new casuals that you will get the chance to meet- Kate and Ally! We are so excited for them to join our team.

Lastly, Theircare is not running the Templestowe Heights holiday program this term. However, if you would like to attend the TheirCare holiday program it will be run at schools in Rosanna and Greythorn and is currently open for bookings via our website: <u>www.theircare.com.au</u>





# **BASKETBALL NEWS**



Season 1 2022 has commenced!

We still have some spots left in some of our teams-3/4 girls & 3/4 boys

For more information, please email Sarah & Kate <a href="https://www.thpsbasketball@gmail.com">https://www.thpsbasketball@gmail.com</a>

GO HEIGHTS!!!



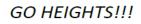
## **BASKETBALL NEWS**



Miniball is back in Term 2!

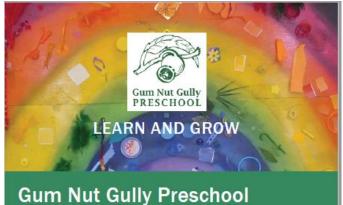
Miniball will be starting next term for any Foundation kids interested in learning how to play basketball. No previous experience is required. Miniball takes place after school on a Friday at Bulleen Stadium and is aimed at teaching prep aged children the rules and techniques of basketball while playing a game. Commences the first week of term 2 (Friday 29th April) and runs for 9 weeks.

Enrol via the link https://www.trybooking.com/BXWUY



# **Community News**





#### Gum Nut Gully Preschool 3 & 4 Year Old Kindergarten Program

Contact Sian at 0468 399 841 or email enrolments@gumnutgullypreschool.com.au for more information. Application forms are available on our website.

#### About Us

Founded in 1987, GNG is a special community-based preschool providing a high-quality educational program to local families. Embracing the bush setting location, bordered by Mullum Mullum Linear Park and Currawong Park GNG offers 3 and 4 year old early learning programs incorporating Bush Kinder that enable children to enjoy free play in a natural setting to encourage exploration and discovery.

#### Awarded

Awarded an Exeeding the National Standard rating by the Australian Children's Education and Care Quality Authority,



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