

Our News





News from Templestowe Heights Primary School

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Newsletter Term 2 Week 2

5th May 2022

Templestowe Heights Primary School Values

Persistence

Respect

Courage

Responsibility

"inspiring learners for life"





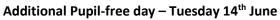


PRINCIPAL'S REPORT



Eid Mubarak

For our families within our community that celebrated the end of Ramadan- Eidul-Fitr. I want to pay special attention to Yousef in 1/2C who had the option of taking the day off to celebrate Eid-ul-Fitr but informed his mother that he could not take a day off school because school is so much fun. Love the enthusiasm!



The Department of Education announced at the end of last term that all schools needed to nominate a professional practice (pupil-free) day for term 2. While we completely understand that this may be an issue for families who will now require to make care arrangements, the decision to have the pupil-free day backed on to the Queen's Birthday public holiday was considered the less disruptive. This day will be used by teaching staff to plan the teaching and learning program for term 3. Theircare will run a program on this day, as well as on Monday 30th May. Please book via their website.

NAPLAN

Next week our year 3 and 5 students participate in the National Assessment for Literacy and Numeracy (NAPLAN). This year NAPLAN is completed online (with the exception of year 3 writing test which is paper and pencil) and it measures each child's knowledge and understandings in key areas of reading, writing, language conventions and numeracy.

As a school we have never focussed on providing our students with countless practices tests, rather we have focussed on quality teaching. Our dedicated year 3/4 and 5/6 teachers (including Janine Reid and Stu McLay) have provided our students with opportunities to ensure when they sit these tests they are prepared and confident. Regardless of the outcome, all we ever ask is our students give it their best effort.

Mini-Ball

Last Friday our next generation of basketball stars participated in their first mini-ball game. As a parent it is so rewarding to see you child be active and having fun while participating in sport. At Templestowe Heights PS, our mini-ball teams are part of our 20 teams that represent our school every week. A big thank you to Sarah Mabin and Kate Stacker for organising this worthwhile initiative.









Planking Challenge

The Templestowe Heights Primary School Community is taking on National Breast Cancer Foundation's 1 minute Plank a Day in May Challenge. Big thank you to Oula Olsen and Jaime Buccilli for organising this and well done to all the students that have come out at lunch times to participate in the challenge.

#PlankForBreastCancerResearch

Ballroom Dancing

On Friday all students in years 3-6 commenced their ballroom dance lessons. This is to equip our students with the dance moves to participate in our year 3-6 school ball held in the last week of term. This special community event has been a legacy of our school since it opened and is held at the decadent Ivanhoe Centre Ball Room on Thursday 3rd June.

BYOD Information session – Webex 571 909 455

At 7pm tonight (Thursday) we will be hosting an information session for all year 5/6 families interested in our Bring Your Own Device (BYOD) program. The purpose of the session is to introduce the new e-safety measures in response to the new Victorian Child-Safety Standards, in particular the introduction of the new software that will be mandatory

for any year 5/6 students wanting to bring their iPad to school. The session is online and will be hosted by myself, Kate Stacker and our IT-Technician Ben Morris. Webex 571 909 455.

Grounds Update

Our STEM building is currently in the process of having all the steel upright posts installed as piece by piece the building's enormous frame goes up. The new admin, library and staffroom space is currently being plastered and painted and the new roof on both our existing buildings is complete.



Principal



| CALENDAR OF EVENTS 2022 | | |
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| TERM 2 | | |
| Thursday 5 th May | day 5 th May Year 5/6 BYO Device Information Evening -Online – WebEx 571 909 455 | |
| Friday 6 th May | Mothers' Day Stall and Breakfast | |
| Tuesday 10 th May | NAPLAN – Writing Year 3 & 5 Students | |
| Wednesday 11 th to Fri 13 th May | NAPLAN – Maths Year 5 Students | |
| Friday 13 th May | Year 7 Transition Forms Due | |
| Monday 16 th to Wed 18 th May | NAPLAN – Maths Year 3 Students | |
| Saturday 21st May | Election Day Sausage Sizzle and Cake Stall | |
| Wed 25 th to Fri 27 th May | Year 5/6 Camp to Phillip Island | |
| Friday 27 th May | Foundation Incursion – Toys over Time | |
| Monday 30 th May | Pupil Free Day | |
| Tuesday 14 th June | Staff Professional Practice Day - No School For Students | |
| Thursday 23 rd June | School Ball Year 3-6 | |
| TERM DATES 2022 | | |
| Term 2 | 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 | | |



Last Thursday the Grade 3-6 students participated in the House Cross Country event. Students did a wonderful job of running laps of the school and scoring points for their house depending on where they placed. Congratulations to BRADMAN the winning house of the day!

Good luck to those students who made it through to the District Cross Country race, which will be held on Tuesday May 17^{th} at Ruffey Lake Park!



















Mother's Day Breakfast - Friday 6th May - TOMORROW

Join us anytime between 8-9am with your child/ren and enjoy a hot chocolate and a treat to celebrate how special you are! We will be serving food and drink through the canteen window with the help of some of our wonderful staff/teachers. A huge thank you to Krispy Kreme Bulleen and The French Lettuce in Bulleen for generously donating yummy donuts for the mums to enjoy, and Bakers Delight in Lower Templestowe for donating Fun Buns.

Mother's Day Stall - Friday 6th May-TOMORROW

Our annual Mother's Day Stall is on tomorrow. Your child can choose something special for their mum, grandmother or another important person from a wonderful selection of gifts. Gifts must be pre-paid and are \$5 each. Thanks to Bec Banez and Julie Ceravolo for leading this event. Thank you to Bunnings Doncaster for kindly donating pot plants for the stall.

Election Day sausage sizzle and cake stall - VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Our school is one of the largest polling booths in our area, so it's a perfect opportunity to raise funds for our school. Each election we hold a sausage sizzle and cake stall. We will call out for donations of cakes closer to the 21st May. Please volunteer for a 2 hour time slot using the link https://volunteersignup.org/TAKXW

Bakers Delight Lunch Orders not continuing

Due to low participation in the Bakers Delight lunch orders on Tuesdays last term, we will not be continuing with these in term 2.

Working With Children Check (WWCC)

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/

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

Parents & Friends would like to thank the following sponsors for their generous donations towards our Mother's Day events:









| Student | Class | HIGH FLYERS WEEK 1 Term 2 |
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| Claire | 12C | For the kindness and consideration that you show for your classmates. You are always ready to help others and are caring and encouraging. You try your best in all of your learning activities and we love to hear your thoughts and ideas when we are sharing together. Keep it up, Claire! |
| Lucas | 12K | Lucas, you are this term's first High Flyer! You have made the term start off with positivity and excitement. Your enthusiasm for our exploration of science this week has been contagious. As you do so well, you have generously shared your knowledge with us as we have explored matter and properties. As well as that, you always look for ways that you can help your peers and you actively contribute to our classroom discussions. Keep up the great work, Lucas! |
| Eveleigh | 1/2M | For the way you bring your zest and your love of learning to class discussions. You enjoy sharing your vast general knowledge and have great stories to tell. Your passion for language is also reflected in your willingness to extend yourself in your writing creating some very funny and interesting passages. |
| Leah | 1/2R | Congratulations on completing your first week at THPS Leah! You have settled in well, showing bravery, making friends and sharing your knowledge of Japan - all with a big smile on your face! You are a fabulous addition to 1/2R and we are so excited to see you thrive and build your confidence this term. |
| Sasha | 34B | For listening to instructions and remembering to start his lessons straight away. Well done for your participation in ballroom dancing and it looked like you were enjoying yourself. Keep up the good attitude Sasha. |
| Jasleen | 34D | Jasleen, you have shown the character strength of Fairness by giving everyone a chance. You can try and find the best solution for everyone. I have seen you be polite, courteous and kind to your peers. You're a team player, Jasleen. Superb! |
| Leo | 34H | Congratulations Leo on your commitment and perseverance to Cross-Country. Each Wednesday you trained to improve your fitness and pushed yourself to get better. These character strengths are being displayed in the classroom. You have settled extremely well into Term 2 with an eagerness to improve. 3/4H love watching your growth as a person and student. Keep up the great work! |
| Jayden | 3/4R | Jayden, you are receiving this week's high flyer award for showing the character strengths of humility and self-regulation. You regularly take part in the class and pay your fullest attention, and are a great role model for what makes a good learner. Keep up the good work as you respectfully share your ideas, and continue to push yourself to think deeply about ideas. |

ONE MINUTE PLANK A DAY IN MAY **CHALLENGE!**



To raise money for the National Breast Cancer Foundation, we'd love you to join in our One minute plank a day in May Challenge!

Rather than asking friends and family for donations, we ask that you donate \$10 straight to the foundation to join our THPS challenge.

All you will need to do is aim to hold a PLANK for one minute a day for the whole of May. This will be an honesty system, we do not require you to post any photos or videos! Instead, we are hoping to:

- raise funds for a great cause,
- work on improving our core strength and
- encourage and motivate parents, students and teachers in the THPS community.

To donate and join the THPS Group:

https://www.facebook.com/donate/707974333969953/?fundraiser_source=external_url

For more info contact:

Jaime Buccilli (PE teacher) 😂



Jaime.buccilli@education.vic.gov.au



Community News



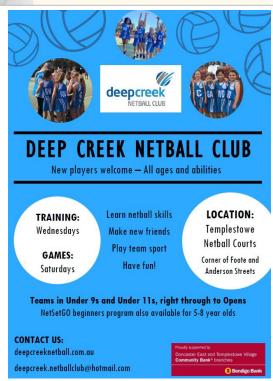
TWIN HILLS PRESCHOOL OPEN DAY



SATURDAY 21ST MAY 10AM-12PM



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