

Our News



Templestowe Heights
Primary School

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News from Templestowe Heights Primary School

Newsletter Term 2 Week 3

12th May 2022

Templestowe Heights Primary School Values

Persistence

Respect

Courage

Responsibility

“inspiring learners for life”

PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

2021 Annual General Meeting

Next Wednesday 19th May at 7pm we will be hosting our Annual General Meeting (AGM). During this meeting we will present our 2021 Annual Report to the Community and elaborate on the roles and function of School Council (our governance model). Any member of our school community can attend in person.



We will also share the celebrations of the 2021 School Council year and what our goals are for this year. The AGM will be held in the multi-purpose room at 7pm and following on from this we will have our May School Council meeting.

Assemblies

As restrictions continue to gradually lift, we are excited to announce we will be hosting two face to face school assemblies this term. On Friday 10th and 24th June at 2:45pm we will once again be hosting these two assemblies in the gym. While our online assemblies have been so well organised, the student leaders running the assemblies have been brilliant and they are short and concise, it doesn't give our students the experience of presenting in front of a large audience and having everyone together, connected again is something we have greatly missed.

NAPLAN

This week our year 3 and 5 students have participated in the *National Assessment Program- Literacy and Numeracy* (NAPLAN). We understand that testing is part of school life, particularly as we move through into secondary school. The tests are online this year, with all students completing their assessments on laptops.

	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thurs	Fri
Week 3		Yr. 3 Writing Yr. 5 Writing	Yr. 5 Reading	Yr. 5 Language Conventions	Yr. 5 Numeracy
Week 4		Yr. 3 Reading	Yr. 3 Language Conventions	Yr. 3 Numeracy	Catch ups

It takes a village to raise a child, we are all part of the journey. A massive thank you to all our staff; education support staff, past teachers and current teachers for the contributions they have all made in preparing our students to give it their best effort.



Building Works Update

Things continue to move along at a productive pace in both our new building construction and refurbishment of the existing admin building. Everything is on track to receive the administration building by mid-June and the new building by the end of the last day of school this year.

Mother's Day

A massive thank you all the mothers, grandmothers, aunties and special women who attended our Mother's Day breakfast. This was our first community event in a long time and it was great to see so many in attendance. The Mother's Day stall was also held and students were able to purchase a gift. A massive thank you to our *Parents & Friends* for organising this event and for all our staff and parents/carers who helped out in the morning.



District Cross Country

This coming Tuesday our students in years' 4-6 who finished top 10 at our school cross country event will be representing our school at the District competition. Jaime Buccilli has been instrumental in supporting our students in their preparation for the event. Her weekly running club mornings have been so well attended and we just want all our students to give the race their best effort.

Election Day BBQ and cake stall

Next Saturday our wonderful *Parents & Friends* have organised a BBQ and cake stall outside our polling booth (our school gym). If you are able to give an hour of your time to help support this fundraiser, please click on the link <https://volunteersignup.org/TAKXW>. (see P & F article for more details)

Rhys Coulson

Principal

CALENDAR OF EVENTS 2022

TERM 2

Friday 13 th May	Year 7 Transition Forms Due
Monday 16 th to Wed 18 th May	NAPLAN –Year 3 Students
Tuesday 17 th May	District Cross Country
Wednesday 18 th May	Annual General Meeting (AGM)
Saturday 21 st 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
Friday 10 th June	Whole School Assembly - GYM
Tuesday 14 th June	Staff Professional Practice Day - No School For Students
Thursday 23 rd June	School Ball Year 3-6
Friday 24 th June	Whole School Assembly - GYM

TERM DATES 2022

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

Payments Due

● Foundation Toys over time Incursion – 26th May

● Year 5/6 Camp 18th May

RESPONDING TO COLD AND FLU SEASON UPDATE - DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH

With borders opening and the arrival of colder weather, cases of influenza (the flu) are increasing throughout Victoria. Our community is at risk of higher rates of students and staff affected by the flu or COVID-19 this season.

What to do if your child gets sick

To help keep your child and our school community safe, please take the following steps if your child has any cold or flu-like symptoms:

- take a COVID-19 test and follow the current [Department of Health isolation requirements](#) if a positive result is shown
- keep your child at home until their symptoms pass
- common flu-like symptoms include a high fever, cough, runny nose, loss of appetite, body aches and feeling extremely weak and tired
- diagnosis of the flu can only be confirmed by a doctor after a nose or throat swab
- encourage your child to wash their hands regularly and ask them to cover their nose and mouth when sneezing and coughing.

COVID-19 vaccination

COVID-19 vaccines are available free of charge to everyone aged 5 years and over in Australia.

It is important that children and young people have the best possible protection against the flu and COVID-19 by getting vaccinated. Ensuring your children are protected against serious illness helps to protect everyone in our community, including older family members who may be at higher risk, along with younger children who can't receive vaccinations yet.

You can book COVID-19 vaccinations through the COVID-19 hotline on 1800 675 398 or at a participating GP, pharmacy, or community health service.

Flu vaccination

Flu vaccination is recommended for everyone aged 6 months and over.

Some people are more at risk of complications from the flu and are eligible for free vaccination under the [National Immunisation Program](#) including:

- anyone aged 65 years and older
- pregnant women (at any stage of [pregnancy](#))
- all Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people aged from 6 months and over
- people 6 months or older with:
 - [heart disease](#)
 - [chronic lung disease](#) (including people with severe [asthma](#) who require frequent hospital visits)
 - chronic neurological conditions
 - impaired immunity
 - haemoglobinopathies (blood disorders caused by genetic changes)
 - [diabetes](#)
 - [kidney disease](#)
- children on long-term aspirin therapy from 6 months to 10 years
- children aged from 6 months to under 5 years.

Flu vaccinations can be booked through GPs and pharmacies, many of which can also provide COVID-19 vaccinations. If you would like more information about the flu vaccination, visit the [Better Health Channel](#).



Election Day sausage sizzle & cake stall –Saturday 21st May –VOLUNTEERS URGENTLY NEEDED

Templestowe Heights Primary is one of the largest polling booths in our area, so it's a perfect opportunity to raise funds for our school. On election day, P&F will hold a sausage sizzle and cake stall 8am-4pm, led by BBQ coordinator Tim Gilley. **We will need your baked goods and your time on the stalls.** Please volunteer for a 2 hour time slot using the link <https://volunteersignup.org/TAKXW>

Plates and forms to supply your baked donations will be sent home tomorrow with your eldest child. Please only homemade items, no bought items can be sold, provide ingredients and NO NUTS. Bring your donations to school next Friday or Saturday.

If you only have time to volunteer once a year to help at school, we need your help for this event.

Mother's Day Breakfast & Stall last Friday

It was so wonderful to see so many of our community enjoying the festivities at our annual Mother's Day breakfast last Friday morning. Thank you to our amazing helpers – Andrew Veal, Kate Stacker, Peter Sartori, Ross Toogood, Martin Ravindran, Hugh Beasley, Jack and Tilly. 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.



The stall was a huge success as usual with over 700 gifts lovingly chosen by the kids for mums, grandmas and other special people. Thank you to our lovely helpers – Katie Fletcher, Samantha Moynihan, Natalie Nunn, Shubhi Arora, Sammie Chen, Sarah Cohen. Massive thanks to Bec Benez and Julie Ceravolo for leading this popular event. Thank you to Bunnings Doncaster for kindly donating pot plants for the stall.

Parent Social Night – SAVE THE DATE- Saturday 16th July

We are in the process of planning our big annual social event for parents, more details closer to the event.

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/>

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

Student	Class	HIGH FLYERS WEEK 2 Term 2
Iris	FD	Congratulations Iris for displaying the character strength of KINDNESS. I am so proud of you for looking after a student who was hurt in the yard. You stayed with him, comforted him and made sure he was alright. You treat everyone with kindness and respect and always remember to use the magic words "please" and "thank you". We are so lucky to have you in FD Iris!
Angelo	FM	Congratulations Angelo for displaying the character strength of KINDNESS. You always look out for the well-being of the other students in the class, trying to always cheer them up and fill their buckets. You treat everyone with respect and show how much you care. Foundation M are so lucky to have you in our class, well done Angelo, you should be very proud!
Harris	FR	Congratulations Harris for displaying the character strength of KINDNESS. You are kind, caring and you look out for other students in our class. Always trying to help others and encouraging them to do their best. Foundation R are very lucky to have you in our class. Well done Harris, what a wonderful character strength to have!
Adinda	FT	Congratulations Adinda for displaying the character strength of KINDNESS. You are someone our class can always look to for help, with your caring and kind nature. You are kind, considerate and caring at all times and Foundation T are so lucky to have you. Well done Adinda, kindness is a great character strength to have!
Charli	12C	Charli, you've put a fantastic persistence effort into using your knowledge of sounds when you are reading and writing. Your hard work has helped your spelling to improve and your confidence to grow. Keep up the effort, Charli!
Tom	12J	Tom, thank you for your 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 superstar!! We are so proud of you!
Faye	1/2M	Congratulations Faye on receiving this week's high flyer in 1/ 2 M. You have been spotted using the character strength of kindness. It was great to see you assisting those around you when they were unsure of what needed to be completed in the literacy session. You stepped up! Thanks a million.
Ryan	1/2R	Congratulations Ryan for being 1/2R's high flyer this week. You show curiosity and a love of learning to share your thoughts and prior knowledge in all subject areas. You demonstrate humility and kindness towards your peers and make sure that you are treating others with respect. Keep up the great work as you respectfully share your ideas, and continue to push yourself to think deeply about our learning.
Jayden	12V	Jayden, I have been really impressed this week with how you continue to challenge yourself in your writing. You are always thinking about how you can expand your sentences and make them more interesting. You are such a hard worker, as well an excellent friend to those around you. I have consistently spotted you talking to others with kindness and respect. Thank you for being such a great addition to 1/2V this year. Keep it up superstar!
Tommy	34B	Tommy, welcome to T.H.P.S. You have done an amazing job coming to a new school and making new friends. We are so excited to have you in 3/4B and we can't wait to show you all the amazing things we do as a class and as a school. Keep up your amazing enthusiasm! Great job!
Maya	34D	Maya has shown the character strength of self regulation. She can control her emotions, thoughts and actions. She can think carefully about her choices to make the best decision in a situation. Maya shows great resilience when resolving problems and taking on challenges. Well done superstar!

Luke	3/4H	Congratulations Luke! 3/4H and Mr. Beasley are extremely impressed with how you are constantly contributing to class conversation. You are showing great signs of maturity as you move from basic responses, to now, insightful and in-depth response. Keep pushing yourself each day because it's showing in your work. We are all so proud of your growth, keep it up!
Alexander	3/4R	Alexander, you have shown great progress in your work and in how you participate in class. I love how you confidently approach math and are beginning to enjoy reading sessions. Your perseverance and hard work have been paying off, and I look forward to see you continue to grow as a student. Great job!
Gabriel	5/6B	Gabe, this week you are being awarded 5/6B's high flyer for your teamwork and kindness towards other students in our class. You went out of your way to make others feel included and helped them during Art and this has not gone unnoticed. Keep it up!
Sam	5/6K	Sam thank you for always being kind and compassionate to your classmates. You listen and include others, while still contributing your own thoughts and ideas. You come in every morning with a smile on your face, eager to start the day and always positive! We absolutely love having you in 5/6K!
Teddy	5/6S	You are receiving a HIGH FLYERS AWARD for demonstrating a mature attitude and responsible behaviour during Ballroom Dancing lessons. Your peers are seeing this and following your lead (pardon the pun). It is wonderful seeing you be such a positive influence. Please keep it up!!

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On the first week of term 2 our theme was 'Term 2 and Winter.' We began the week by making a welcome to term 2 banner. Tori and Ally began by writing the words 'Welcome to term 2' and the children joined and colored the words and drew some wonderful ice snowflakes. In our second week we had Pirates and Treasure hunt. During this week the children created pirates out of paper plates. Austin took his pirate to the next level and created a pirate with a skull on the hat, it was so awesome to see the students get involved and get creative. Wednesday was our busiest afternoon of the week; Tori ran a cooking session with the students and together they made honey joys for each student attending to take home to enjoy!

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

This week was greatly involving students' creativity, the activities were hands on, where students can imagine, create, and contribute to a final product that they are able to keep as memories. To continue our pirate theme, we made and decorated our own treasure chests and telescopes. Once doing so, it was so lovely to see the students all put their imagination hats on and start to play pirate games using their new props. To end the theme, we put our treasure chests to use, Michael hid chocolate coins amongst the playground for the students to go on a treasure hunt. We ended the week by preparing for Mother's Day; we created beautiful cards to give to our loved ones!

Important reminder: On the 30th of May, the school is having a **Pupil Free Day**. Please note that TheirCare will be running an **all-day session** at Templestowe Heights Primary school, for you to book online via our website.

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) 😊

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Community News

TWIN HILLS PRESCHOOL OPEN DAY



SATURDAY 21ST MAY 10AM-12PM

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CHILDREN'S ACTIVITIES

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