





Templestowe Heights Primary School

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News from Templestowe Heights Primary School

Newsletter Term 3 Week 5

11th August 2022

## Templestowe Heights Primary School Values

**August to May** 

Persistence

Respect

Courage

Responsibility

"inspiring learners for life"



Monday 15th to Friday 19th August

## PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

#### Science Week

Next week we will be celebrating National Science Week and the theme is *glass*. Students will participate in learning tasks throughout the week that focus on specific areas of all sciences (chemical, physical and biological) linked to glass. We also have an incursion for students to experience the wonders of science and a dress up day on Friday. For more information about National Science Week, click here.



#### Whole School Assembly in Gym

Just a reminder that this Friday we are holding a whole-school assembly in the gym commencing at 2:45pm. While these face-to-face assemblies don't happen every week, it is a great opportunity to come together as a whole school community. Parents and carers are welcome to attend and it is recommended they wear masks.

#### **Student Voice Leaders Meeting**

On Tuesday our Junior School and Environmental leaders had their first meeting. The focus of this meeting for our newly elected representatives was to workshop the key ideas for improving our school.

#### **Life Education**

This week Year 5/6 and Foundation students have had incursions from Life Education. Foundation students learnt about the topic of *My Body Matters* where they learnt about healthy habits. The year 5/6 topic of *Relate, Connect, Respect* taught our students about being respectful and appropriate when online.

#### **Building Works Update**

Work out the back of the school on our new two storey building continues to buzz along. The entrance steps have just been concreted, window frames are being installed on the top storey, ceilings on the top storey are being plastered, the last steels to support the roof has been put in place and brick work on the back of the building has commenced. If you get the chance take a look, you'll be amazed at how quickly the building is changing.

We now have access through the middle yard to the oval which I know has put a smile on many parents faces. Thank you for your patience and understanding during this time. I must say that the artificial grass has been a big hit with the children, where many cartwheels are now being performed.

As you walk by the new toilet block being constructed you will see that it is being prepared for the concrete slab to be poured. Once down and cured the walls will start to be erected and it will begin to look more like part of our existing building.

Good news is that the Library has been opened for children to read books and visit with their grades but not yet to borrow. We hope that this can occur in the not-too-distant future.

#### Hats on

As part of our Sunsmart policy, hats are worn outdoors between mid-August to the end of April. This is because the UV-rating of 3 and above commences at this time of year, which is at a level that can damage our skin. If your child has "misplaced" their hat, you can purchase them at the school office and at the PSW uniform shop or order them online.

#### **Rhys Coulson**

#### **Principal**

CALENDAR OF EVENTS 2022			
TERM 3			
Monday 15 <sup>th</sup> August	Parent Opinion Survey Open		
Wednesday 17 <sup>th</sup> August	Year 3 to 6 - Window to the World STEM Incursion School Council – 7.00pm		
Friday 19 <sup>th</sup> August	Foundation to Year 2 - Big Science Fun With Ben Z Incursion (Dress up Day)		
Tuesday 23 <sup>rd</sup> August	Athletics Day – Whole School		
Wednesday 24th August	JSC & Enviro Leaders Photos		
Thursday 24 <sup>th</sup> August	Year 3-6 Italian/Performing Arts Incursion		
Friday 26 <sup>th</sup> August	Father's Day Breakfast and Stall		
Wed 31 Aug to Fri 2 <sup>nd</sup> Sep	Year 3/4 Camp -Wombat Corner		
Thursday 1 <sup>st</sup> September	Foundation to Year 1/2 Performing Arts/Italian Incursion		
Friday 2 <sup>nd</sup> September	Foundation to Year 1/2 Bush Dance Lessons		
Wednesday 7 <sup>th</sup> September	Pupil Free Day – No school for Students		
Friday 9 <sup>th</sup> September	Foundation to Year 1/2 Bush Dance		
Thursday 15 <sup>th</sup> September	Foundation Healesville Sanctuary Excursion		
Friday 16 <sup>th</sup> September	Parent Opinion Survey Closes		
	Term 3 Ends 2.30pm Dismissal		
TERM DATES 2022			
Term 3	Monday 11 <sup>th</sup> July to Friday 16 <sup>th</sup> September		
Term 4	Monday 3 <sup>rd</sup> October to Tuesday 20 <sup>th</sup> December		
Pupil Free Days			
Wednesday 7 <sup>th</sup> September			
Monday 31st October			

### FROM THE OFFICE

#### **Payments Due**

Year 3/4 Camp due Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup> August
Athletics Day and Year 3 to 6 Italian/Performing Arts Incursion -payment due Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup> August
School Leaders photos - Orders and payment due Friday 19<sup>th</sup> August

#### **School Hats**

### "August to May Hats on Day"

During the months of August to May all students are required to wear a hat when they are outside at recess and lunchtime. Students who do not bring a hat will be required to stay under cover in a shaded area. Hats can be purchases at PSW in Kew or we have a small selection available here at the school office.



\$20 Brim Hats \$16 Legionaries



## SCIENCE WEEK



Thank you to all our families for your donation of items for science week. Please note we no longer require jars, bottles and cups.

If you have any paper towel, clingwrap or aluminium roll core (no toilet rolls) please bring them to the office.

## PARENT/CAREGIVER/GUARDIANS OPINION SURVEY

#### WE WANT OUR PARENTS/CAREGIVERS/GUARDIANS TO TELL US WHAT THEY THINK!

Our school is conducting a survey to find out what parents/caregivers/guardians think of our school. The Parent/Caregiver/Guardian Opinion Survey is an annual survey offered by the Department of Education and Training that is designed to assist schools in gaining an understanding of families' perceptions of school climate, student behavior, and student engagement. A random sample of approximately 30 per cent of parents/caregivers/guardians have been selected to participate in this year's survey. Details were sent to each selected family via Compass yesterday We encourage all selected families to participate in this survey. Our school will use the survey results to help inform and direct future school planning and improvement strategies.

The Parent/Caregiver/Guardian Opinion Survey will be conducted from **Monday 15**<sup>th</sup> **August** to **Friday 16th September.** 

The survey will be conducted **online**, only takes **20 minutes** to complete, and can be accessed at any convenient time within the fieldwork period on desktop computers, laptops, tablets or smartphones. The online survey will be available in a range of languages other than English. These include: Arabic, Vietnamese, Simplified Chinese, Chin (Hakha), Hindi, Japanese, Somali, Turkish, Punjabi and Greek.

Survey results will be communicated to parents/caregivers/guardians via the school's annual report to the community Last year we used the survey results to plan our return to face to face teaching and develop our new English curriculum. Please contact the office if you would like more information.

## **WELLBEING AT THPS**

Students at THPS have begun to explore **Problem Solving** as part of the Rights, Resilience and Respectful Relationships initiative. This is not only taught within wellbeing lessons, but beyond into all curriculum and social areas of your childrens' schooling. We are building on topics 1-3 that have been taught previously and continue to be discussed, which cover emotional literacy, personal strengths and positive coping.

Within this area, students will learn about strategies they can apply when faced with a challenging or adverse situation. Our lessons are designed to help students develop their critical and creative thinking skills, and learn to apply them to personal, social and ethical dilemmas.

To consolidate this learning at home, it is important to talk through a problem when it arises, discuss possible solutions with your child and work together to find a solution that best suits. If you are looking for further resources or information on the 4R initiative, please see the link provided.

https://www.education.vic.gov.au/Documents/parents/family-health/parents-wellbeing-activities-primary.pdf

# Science Week Dress Up



Templestowe Heights

Dear Parents/Carers,

We are celebrating the 2022 Science Week in the week commencing Monday 15<sup>th</sup> August. Throughout the week students will take part in a number of lessons and experiments linked to the theme, 'Glass; More than meets the eye'.

We are inviting students to dress up in a Science/Glass (not actual glass) themed costume on <u>Friday 19 August</u> to celebrate the end of Science Week. Be creative, because Science is a wide ranging field and we love seeing different types of science.

Thanks,

#### The STEAM Committee



#### Father's Day Breakfast - Friday 26th August

Join us anytime between 8-8.50am 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.

#### Father's Day Stall - Friday 26th August

Our annual Father's Day Stall is back this year! Your child can choose something special for their dad, grandfather or another important person from a wonderful selection of gifts. Gifts must be pre-paid and are \$5 each. Forms for the stall will be sent home on Monday. Thanks to Bec Banez and Julie Ceravolo for leading this event. We are hoping regulations will allow a few volunteers to help out on the stall. If you are interested in volunteering, please email us thpspaf@gmail.com

#### **Entertainment Book**

We are selling The Entertainment Book online.

https://subscribe.entertainment.com.au/fundraiser/186857h

## **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 4 Term 2
Enzo	FD	Congratulations Enzo for displaying the character strength of BRAVERY by participating in class discussions this week. It has been wonderful seeing you volunteer to answer questions and coming up to the front of the class to share your thinking. Well done also for working diligently at your desk and completing work to a high standard. You are a superstar Enzo!
Caleb	FR	For displaying the character strength of perseverance and teamwork in your learning. You have displayed an enthusiasm to contribute to class discussions and willingness to listen to others. You have been working hard to complete your work to the best of your ability. You are a valued member of Foundation R, we love having you as part of our team! Keep the hard work Caleb!
Victor	FT	Congratulations Victor for displaying the character strength of PERSEVERANCE. In recent weeks you have been spotted showing perseverance in phonics. You have been working hard at school, and at home, to learn more about the letters and the sounds they make. This is going to really help you develop your reading and writing skills, keep up the hard work, I'm super proud of you!
Isabelle	12J	Izzy, you have shown teamwork and leadership during your learning with your learning buddy and when sharing information from your JSC meetings. Your thoughtfulness and consideration has contributed to all our learning. We thank you for your cooperation and kindness in helping other students in 1/2J.Keep it up! We love having you in our class.
Imogen	12K	Imogen, congratulations on being our High Flyer this week! It has been a joy to watch your confidence grow in our classroom. You are not afraid to challenge yourself, always looking for ways that you can build on your learning. In our work with arrays, you have looked for ways to extend yourself. And in writing, you always think about ways in which you can improve your sentences. Keep being open to all sorts of challenges Imogen! Well done!
Hisham	1/2M	Congratulations Hisham, you are our high flyer this week! You consistently displayed the character strength of love of learning, especially while working on our Literacy booklets. You also showed great focus in our Math lessons and worked hard to understand sharing and arrays. Thank you for your thoughtfulness and enthusiasm Hisham! We love having you in 1/2M.
Zoe	1/2R	Congratulations Zoe for being 1/2R's High Flyer! You have settled back into our classroom with a positive attitude which has helped you make new connections with your peers. You have put your best effort into our learning about generations and the past, especially when you have contributed your own background knowledge to our classroom discussions to boost our learning! Well done Zoe, keep persevering and growing your confidence. We cannot wait to see you thrive in 1/2R for the rest of the year!
Ava	34B	For always trying her best and being a co-operative and enthusiastic member of 3/4B. We love how you always join in class discussion and enjoy sharing your work. You show the character strength of kindness and are always ready to help others. Keep up the positive attitude Ava and well done.
Jude	34H	Congratulations Jude! You have made such a great start to Term 3. You are using all your knowledge from Semester 1 and applying it to your work. It is evident you are passionate about your learning and you are inspiring others in the class to produce quality work, consistently. 3/4H love how you are sharing your thoughts in classroom discussion and asking questions. Great work Jude, keep it up!
Johnny	3/4J	Congratulations, Johnny, on your well-thought out contributions to class discussions. Your general knowledge about many things shines through in all you do. We love hearing your thoughts and the ways you explain your responses in all areas of your learning. Keep it up, Johnny!

Shalok	3/4R	Shalok, you are receiving this week's high flyer for demonstrating bravery and modelling a growth mindset in the classroom. It is great that you give things ago even when faced with uncertainty, and the way that you bounce back from setbacks is commendable. You also show a great deal of enthusiasm around many topics, and your effort in applying your morphological knowledge in spotting keywords and terms is great. Good job Shalok!
Ben	5/6A	Congratulations Ben! You are our High Flyer this week for the fantastic effort you have been putting into your learning. You bring a positive attitude and infectious laugh to our classroom, as well as take ownership of your learning by asking questions and completing all tasks to the best of your ability. Keep it up!
Matisse	5/6B	For showing compassion and empathy to her classmates. Matisse, it has been lovely to see you assist your classmates with a kind word and a helpful suggestion. Your sensitive manner brings out the best in everyone. Lovely stuff!.
Jack	5/6F	Jack, you should be very proud of the dedication you put into all learning tasks. This week you took detailed notes on Saturn and used these to produce a paragraph that clearly highlighted why it would be an impossible planet to live on. You're an incredible role model to all of your peers, especially as one of our Environmental Leaders! Keep up this amazing effort!
Rhys	5/6K	For your positive outlook and great sense of humour. You always walk through the door in the morning with a smile, or a cheeky grin! You know how to cheer up a friend or peer that may be having a bad day or add humour to a situation when it is very much needed. Thank you for being a positive, entertaining, understanding, and supportive friend to everyone in 5/6K!
Tom	5/6S	You are receiving a High Flyer for: Willingly sharing your love for creative writing with the class. You have a way with words that creates an enticing picture for the audience. Please keep taking us on your suspense-filled adventures.



# **BASKETBALL NEWS**



## **SEASON 2 HAS COMMENCED!**

We have a few spots left in some teams – 3/4 girls & 5/6 girls

For more information, please email Sarah & Kate thpsbasketball@gmail.com

GO HEIGHTS!!!



# **MINIBALL NEWS**



## **TERM 3 ENROLMENTS ARE OPEN!**

Please enroll using the link <a href="https://www.trybooking.com/CAEGX">https://www.trybooking.com/CAEGX</a>

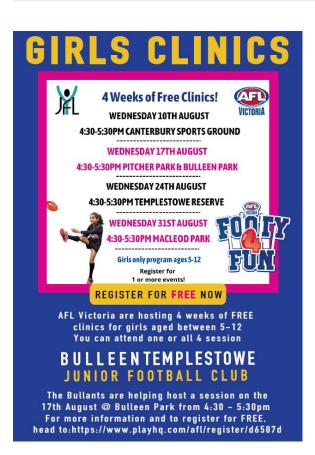
For more information, please email Sarah & Kate <a href="mailto:thpsbasketball@gmail.com">thpsbasketball@gmail.com</a>

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