



News from Templestowe Heights Primary School

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Newsletter Term 1 Week 7

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Templestowe Heights Primary School Values

Persistence

Respect

Courage

Responsibility

"inspiring learners for life"



HARMONY DAY

Monday 20th MARCH



Wear something Orange or your cultural clothing to support cultural diversity

PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

Whole School Assembly

This Monday we will be hosting a face-to-face whole school assembly at 2:45pm in the gym. While these events are always a challenge to mobilise approximately 600 students, staff, parents, siblings and carers into the gym, it is always a worthwhile experience in providing our students with the opportunity to present to a large audience. During the assembly students who were elected as first semester Junior School Councillor or Environmental Leaders will receive their badges.

Pupil-Free Day Monday 24th April

As part of the industrial agreement, we are scheduling our first (of two) Professional Practice Days on the first day of term 2, Monday 24th April. This will be a pupil-free day and while we understand they can be challenging for families, we have attempted to select a date that is least-disruptive, given the following day is a public holiday (ANZAC Day). During this pupil-free day, staff will be planning and preparing curriculum and learning sequences for term 2.

Student Voice - Newly Anointed School Chicken Names

It gives me great joy in sharing with you the names of our new School Chickens. After an exhaustive process where each grade narrowed down to two of their preferred names, our Enviro Leaders met at lunch time today to vote on the names of our Belgian Bearded Bantam chickens. May I introduce to you *Cherry* (red coloured one) and *Snowflake* (grey coloured one).



Student Voice - Harmony Day

This coming Monday we will be celebrating World Harmony Day. Students and staff are encouraged to come dressed in orange or traditional cultural dress. The purpose is to celebrate inclusiveness, that we are all the same but we are also different.

Student Voice - ANZAC Badges

Over the next couple of weeks our Junior School Councillors (pictured just like Alexs in 3HB) will be coming around to classrooms after lunch every day to sell ANZAC badges. All money raised will go to the Templestowe Returned Services League (RSL). The costs of the badges are \$2 and \$3.



Principal

CALENDAR OF EVENTS 2023 TERM 1	
Year 5 & 6 Summer Sport	
Friday 17 th March	NAPLAN – Yr 3 Reading
	Class Reps Meeting – Office 9.15am
Monday 20 th March	Harmony Day — Wear Orange or A Traditional Cultural Outfit
	NAPLAN - Yr 5 Language and Conventions
	Whole School Assembly including JSC and Enviro leader Badge Presentation – Gym – 2.45pm
Tuesday 21 st March	NAPLAN - Yr 5 Reading
	Foundation Fire Education Incursion – Session 1
Wednesday 22 nd March	NAPLAN - Yr 5 Numeracy & NAPLAN catch up day
Thursday 23 rd March	Year 5 & 6 Summer Sport
	NAPLAN – Yr 3 Numeracy & NAPLAN catch up day
Friday 24 th March	NAPLAN catch up day
Monday 27 th March	NAPLAN catch up day
	Assembly via WebEx 571 909 455 – 3.10pm
Tuesday 28 th March	Foundation Fire Education Incursion – Session 2
Thursday 30 th March	Year 5 & 6 Summer Sport
Friday 31 st March	Year 6 Natural Disaster Incursion
	Hot Cross Bun Orders Due
Tuesday 4 th April	Yr 5 & 6 Parent Information Evening Sex Education Victoria via Zoom - 7pm
Thursday 6 th April	Whole School Assembly including Easter Raffle draw - 1.30pm School gym
	Term 1 Ends 2.30pm
PUPIL FREE DAYS	
Monday 24 th April	
Monday 29 th May	
Monday 6 th November	
TERM DATES 2023	
Term 1	Last day of term 1 Thursday 6 th April
Term 2	Wednesday 26 th April - Friday, 23 rd June
Term 3	Monday, 10 th July - Friday, 15 th September
Term 4	Monday, 2 nd October – Wednesday, 20 th December

FROM THE OFFICE

Un Named Payment

We have an unnamed school fee payment for a Year 4 Student which was made at the office on Tuesday 21st February at approximately 11.56am via card. If you believe this may be you please contact us.

Payments due

Year 6 Natural Disasters incursion – 22nd March

HARMONY DAY



Harmony week is the celebration that recognises diversity and brings together Australians from all different backgrounds. It is about inclusiveness, respect and a sense of belonging for everyone.

The JSC students have been busy creating posters to promote the free dress day that we will be having on **Monday 20**th **March**. Students are encouraged to wear orange to show their support or wear a traditional

cultural outfit.

No donation is required for this day.

ANZAC DAY APPEAL



From Tuesday 14th March, our JSC students will be selling ANZAC day badges. Our leaders will be visiting every classroom during the last session of each day. This will continue until the end of term (unless they're sold out prior). Badges are \$2 and Wrist bands \$3. Please send correct change. 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



Easter Raffle & donations – <u>WE NEED DONATIONS FOR THE HAMPERS</u>

The highly anticipated annual Easter Raffle will be drawn in the final assembly of term 1 on Thursday 6th April. Families can donate bought items to be included in the raffle hampers. Please bring donations into the office by Monday 3rd 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. Raffle

tickets for each student will be sent home and will need to be returned by Mon 3rd April.

Hot Cross Bun Drive

We are *delighted* to be running our annual Hot Cross Bun Drive in partnership with Bakers Delight The Pines, leading up to Easter. Prices are the same as in store but \$2 from every pack sold will be donated towards our school fundraising. Order forms went home this week, if you need a replacement copy, please see the office. Please note, these will need to be returned to school no later than FRIDAY the 31st of March. Hot Cross Buns will be sent home from school on Wednesday the 5th of April (second last day of term).

Class Rep Meeting Term 1 2023

Thank you to everyone who has volunteered to be a class rep this year. Our very first class rep meeting will be held tomorrow - Friday the 17th of March in the Boardroom (old staff room, opp reception). Please email us on

thpspaf@gmail.com if you are interested in attending.

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 - Lauren & Oula thpspaf@gmail.com



About Us

State Schools' Relief is unique. No other Australian state or territory has a similar organisation.

Since 1930, State Schools' Relief has been providing anonymous support so that students receiving our assistance can do so with dignity. It's our belief that every student deserves the opportunity to participate in their education without barriers.

STATE SCHOOLS' RELIEF

Who are we?

State Schools' Relief is a Victorian not-for-profit organisation that supports the needs of disadvantaged government school students by providing new school uniforms, school shoes and a host of other essential educational resources, including learning devices.

Our simple and practical service ensures that all students can attend school in warmth and comfort with a greater sense of belonging and improved self-esteem, which in turn assists students to engage in their learning and strengthen their educational outcomes.



How we help

Issues such as poverty, neglect, unemployment, health issues/illness, financial hardship, bereavement, domestic violence, homelessness, and natural disasters continue to affect many Victorian families. We work side by side with all Victorian primary, secondary, specialist and language schools to ensure that any students facing hardship have the necessary items they require for school.



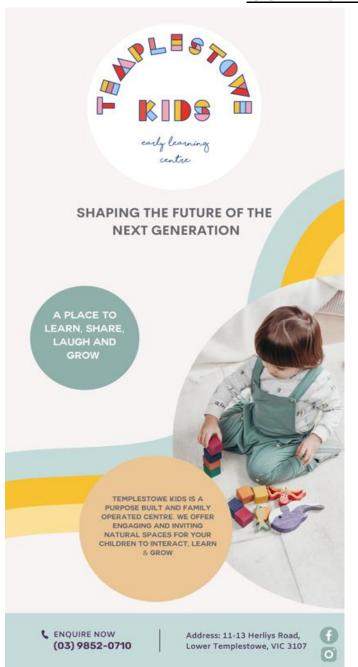
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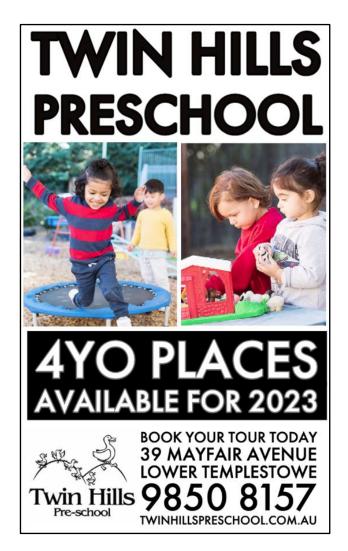
State Schools' Relief provides support to any Victorian student attending a government school, on the advice of the school.

If you are a parent or carer and you need financial assistance with your child's government education, please make an appointment with the school principal, assistant principal, or welfare/wellbeing coordinator to discuss your situation.



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