

# Our News



Templestowe Heights  
Primary School

9850 1796

News from Templestowe Heights Primary School

Newsletter Term 2 Week 1

27<sup>th</sup> April 2023

## *Templestowe Heights Primary School Values*

Persistence

Respect

Courage

Responsibility

“inspiring learners for life”

## Welcome Back For Term 2

### PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

#### Welcome Back

From Easter to the end of Eid Mubarak, I hope everyone had an opportunity to relax and celebrate some of the important cultural events that took place for many of our families over the term break. It has been pleasing seeing the students commence this term as they all walked into their classrooms, there was even sounds of squeals of delight in some of the year 1 classes as students saw each other for the first time in over two weeks!

We would also like to welcome returning staff member *Tania Martini* (Art and Literacy Intervention) and new staff member *Stephanie Gaspodini* (Performing Arts and Italian). Joining our community this term are new students *Andy* (4RA), *Olivia* (4BG), *Chloe* (3HB), *Loretta* (2PS) and *Emily* (1JK).

Lastly, we would also like to announce the save arrival and welcome Carter David Johnson into the world. Born 17<sup>th</sup> April weighing 4.3kgs. Proud mother Cassie is doing well and is being looked after by equally proud father Chris.

#### Year 6/7 Transition

It is that time of year again when families of our year 6 students nominate what secondary school they want their child to attend in 2024. Year 6 families have all been sent via Compass the relevant information and forms to complete by Friday 12 May.

#### ANZAC Day Service

Today all year 6 leaders attended our local ANZAC Day service. The service was hosted by Templestowe RSL and on behalf of our school community School Captain Christina laid a wreath at the Templestowe Cenotaph. Ex student Oscar McNamara delivered the ANZAC requiem.



#### Cross Country

This afternoon students in years 3-6 participated in the school house cross country event. Our students gave their all as they ran, walked and sometimes skipped either 2 or 3km around our school course. The top 10 finishers in every age group now move onto the district competition where they represent our school.



### Inter School Grand Final

This morning the boys cricket team valiantly went down to Serpell Primary by 3 runs in their district grand final. We are so proud of their efforts and being good sports.

### Building Works

The term break saw the school undertake numerous maintenance works in and around the school grounds. All these tasks were completed in an effort to ensure our school's facilities remain to a high, safe standard. These included:

- Replacement and connection of solar panels on gym roof
- Reopening of oval grass area
- Artificial grass installed in middle yard and next to basketball courts around the back of school
- Playground and trees audited
- New IT/Server Room installed including new floor, walls, racks, AC unit
- Signage installed in the new building, school corridors, doors and carpark
- Whiteboards, pinboards and blinds installed in the new building
- Extensive concrete slab demolished and repoured around the side of the new building
- All 6000 library books have been scanned and catalogued to the school's new library borrowing system



**Rhys Coulson**

**Principal**

CALENDAR OF EVENTS 2023	
Tuesday 2 <sup>nd</sup> May	Year 5 & 6 Living and Growing Program Incursion
Thursday 4 <sup>th</sup> May	Year 5 & 6 Winter Sports 1pm
Friday 5 <sup>th</sup> May	Year 5 & 6 Living and Growing Program Incursion
Tuesday 9 <sup>th</sup> May	Year 5 & 6 Living and Growing Program Incursion
Thursday 11 <sup>th</sup> May	Year 5 & 6 Winter Sports 1pm Year 6 Debating Incursion
Friday 12 <sup>th</sup> May	Mother's Day Stall and Breakfast Year 5 & 6 Living and Growing Program Incursion
Tuesday 16 <sup>th</sup> May	District Cross Country Whole School Italian Incursion - Vancanze Romane
Thursday 18 <sup>th</sup> May	Year 5 & 6 Winter Sports 1pm Year 6 Debating Incursion
Friday 19 <sup>th</sup> May	Year 5 & 6 Living and Growing Program Incursion
Monday 22 <sup>nd</sup> May	Foundation Incursion – Responsible Pet Ownership
Tuesday 23 <sup>rd</sup> May	Year 5 & 6 Living and Growing Program Incursion
Thursday 25 <sup>th</sup> May	Year 5 & 6 Winter Sports 1pm
Monday 29 <sup>th</sup> May	PUPIL FREE DAY – No School For Students
Thursday 1 <sup>st</sup> June	Year 5 & 6 Winter Sports 1pm
Thursday 8 <sup>th</sup> June	Year 5 & 6 Winter Sports 1pm
Monday 12 <sup>th</sup> June	KING'S BIRTHDAY PUBLIC HOLIDAY – No School
Thursday 15 <sup>th</sup> June	Year 5 & 6 Winter Sports 1pm
Friday 23 <sup>rd</sup> June	Term 2 Ends Students Dismissed - 2.30pm
PUPIL FREE DAYS	
Monday 29 <sup>th</sup> May	
Monday 6 <sup>th</sup> November	
TERM DATES 2023	

Term 2	Wednesday 26 <sup>th</sup> April - Friday, 23 <sup>rd</sup> June
Term 3	Monday, 10 <sup>th</sup> July - Friday, 15 <sup>th</sup> September
Term 4	Monday, 2 <sup>nd</sup> October – Wednesday, 20 <sup>th</sup> December

## FROM THE OFFICE

### Office Payments

Year 5 & 6 winter sport – due Monday 1<sup>st</sup> May

Performing arts incursion – due 10<sup>th</sup> May

### Hats On

Just quick reminder that all students will need to wear hats outside for recess and lunch until the end of April.



### Lost Property

There are a large number of unnamed items in our lost property tub. Please ensure all items brought to school are clearly labelled so that they may be easily returned.

## JUNIOR SCHOOL COUNCIL NEWS

### ANZAC Day Appeal



Throughout the last few weeks of Term 1 our Junior School Councillors sold badges and wristbands to raise funds for ANZAC Day. Together, we raised a total of \$631.50! The Junior School Councillors would like to thank everyone who made a purchase to commemorate the Anzacs. All proceeds will be donated to the Templestowe RSL. You can also purchase pins and badges from the office. Thank you for your support.

### LIBRARY HELPERS NEEDED

The library will be open again for the students to borrow from this term. After a massive clean-up we have purchase several hundred new books to be added to our library shelves. We need parent/carers volunteers to cover these new books before they can go on to the shelves. We also need volunteers who are able spend some time at the start or end of a school day returning books to the correct places on the shelves and general tidying up.

If you are able to assist in one or both of these tasks then please let the office know on 9850 1796 or at [templestowe.heights.ps@education.vic.gov.au](mailto:templestowe.heights.ps@education.vic.gov.au). Helpers must hold a valid Working with Children Check.

Thanks, in anticipation.

Andrew Veal

# CHESS at

## Templestowe Heights Primary

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### Term 2 events

Welcome back! We hope you all had a wonderful break.

Our annual Mother's Day breakfast and stall will be held Friday 12th May (forms will be sent home next week). We are also busy planning our annual parent social event for some time in June/July. Keep an eye on the newsletter, Compass and our Facebook page for more info.

### Term 2 Class Rep/Parents & Friends Meeting

Our Term 2 Parents & Friends/Class Rep meeting will be next Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup> May at 8pm to discuss the term 2 events (online with details to follow). *Everyone is welcome.*

### Mother's Day Breakfast – Friday 12th May

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.

### Mother's Day Stall – Friday 12th May

Our annual Mother's Day Stall will be held on Friday 12<sup>th</sup> May. 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. Many thanks to Bec Banez and Julie Ceravolo for leading this event.

We do need parent volunteers to help us run the stall from 9am till 10:40am, so if you can help, please email [thpspaf@gmail.com](mailto:thpspaf@gmail.com). Please keep in mind that you do need to have a current WWCC to volunteer.

### 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://wwwcv.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](mailto:thpspaf@gmail.com)

## MINI BALL – TERM 2

Dear Parents,

**Reminder:** *Please register your interest if you would like your child to play miniball this term.*

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.

Season dates: Starts Friday 28<sup>th</sup> April (first week in term 2) through to Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> June – and there are no games on Friday 9<sup>th</sup> June due to the Monarch's birthday long weekend.

Fees are \$75 for the term, which includes the \$5 BV Mini licence.

Miniball relies on parents to volunteer as coach and team manager. No previous experience is necessary, just enthusiasm and patience.

Please note, if you would like to volunteer in either of these roles, a Working With Children Check (WWCC) is required. This can be done online for free using the following link:

<https://www.workingwithchildren.vic.gov.au/individuals/applicants/how-to-apply-1>

**Register your interest via the link:** <https://www.trybooking.com/CGPBU>

or more information, please email Natalie & Kate: [thpsbasketball@gmail.com](mailto:thpsbasketball@gmail.com)



# PERFORMING ARTS – FOUNDATION 'THE GRUFFALO'



As part of the Performing Arts Drama lessons in term 1, the Foundation students have been exploring the story the 'Gruffalo'. Students have been using their imagination, role play, song and dance to act out characters from the world of the Gruffalo and have been learning performance skills. Each class also created their own 'Gruffalo' creature! On Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> April, we had a very special performance at assembly by our brave and fabulous Foundation students singing and dancing to 'The Gruffalo' song. Have a hippity hoppity school break!

Musical Regards, Mrs Petrovska (Performing Arts)



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# REFORMING ARTS - 'THE GRUFFALO DANCE'



Teacher and Mrs. can discuss the children's activities with the children and the children can discuss the children's activities with the children.

## COMMUNITY NEWS



# Winter Registration 2023

## Spots still left in some girls and boys teams

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[boyscoordinator@yarraeagles.com.au](mailto:boyscoordinator@yarraeagles.com.au)

[www.yarraeagles.com.au](http://www.yarraeagles.com.au)



## Yarraleen Preschool

# OPEN DAY

**Sunday 7th May 2023**  
**10am-12pm**

92 Rocklea Road, Bulleen

- Meet our Educators
- Explore the Preschool
- Fun Activities

### ENROLMENTS NOW OPEN

Tel: 9850 8486  
Website: [www.yarraleenpreschool.com.au](http://www.yarraleenpreschool.com.au)

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## 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.

## 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.

