



News from Templestowe Heights Primary School

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Newsletter Term 2 Week 3

11th May 2023

# Templestowe Heights Primary School Values

Persistence

Respect

Courage

"inspiring learners for life"





Responsibility

Mother's Day **Breakfast** 8am-8.45am

### PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

#### **Official Opening**

Today we were visited by Parliamentary Secretary for School Vicki Ward and Member for North Eastern Metropolitan Region Sonja Terpstra to officially open our new building. It was a special occasion and we had our School Council President Kai Robotham, Senior Education Improvement Leader Carolyn Elliott as well as many other special guests who were heavily involved in process from concept design to handover.

We are so grateful and thankful for what has been achieved as a direct result of the support from the state government, VSBA, AOA Architects, Videre Group and Devco. There is a wonderful sense of school pride amongst our community, our new building, library, toilets and play spaces are looking amazing.

School Captains Ollie and Christina spoke so eloquently as they explained in detail about the special piece of artwork that our visiting indigenous artist Michelle Searle designed. The artwork has now been laser printed across the backwall of the new building, where it tells the story and gives us understanding of culture and the importance of respecting and connecting to our beautiful land.





#### Mother's Day

Tomorrow we will be hosting a special event to celebrate Mother's Day from 8am. Students are encouraged to bring their mother or special adult to this event where they can have a hot chocolate and a tasty treat. From 8:45 – 9:00am students are then encouraged to take their mother or special adult to their classrooms to share their learning they have undertaken. Drinks will be served out the canteen window from 8am. Throughout the morning our Parents & Friends will then be holding our Mother's Day stall.

#### **Annual General Meeting and Annual Report to the Community**

Last night we hosted our Annual General Meeting (AGM). The purpose of this event was to celebrate and reflect on the achievements of 2022 and communicate the goals for 2023. It was also an opportunity to detail the roles and functions of School Council and how our councillors play an active governing role is helping keep THPS thriving. We also shared our 2022 Annual Report to the Community that documents the narrative of our school throughout last year and how we compared to the targets and goals of strategic plan. This document can be found on our website or by clicking this link <a href="here">here</a>.

#### **Upcoming Pupil-Free Day**

This is just a reminder that on Monday 29<sup>th</sup> May we will be having a pupil-free day. This is part of our industrial agreement, the purpose of this day will be to support our teachers in professional learning opportunities linked to our school's literacy goals, as well as report writing time.

#### **Community Engagement – Free eSafety Parent & Carer Webinars**

As part of our school's commitment to Child Safety, the Community Engagement committee have identified some free eSafety webinars. These sessions include navigating around Tik Tok YouTube and Instagram and how to set your child up for success online. For those interested please read the flyer below for more information or click here <a href="mailto:esafety.gov.au/parents/webinars">esafety.gov.au/parents/webinars</a>

Rhys Coulson Principal



Term 2, 2023

# Free eSafety parent and carer webinars

Join eSafety's expert education team for a free live webinar designed for parents and carers.

### Term 2 topics: (all 30 minutes)

- Getting started with social media: TikTok, YouTube, Instagram
   For parents and carers of young people in primary and secondary school.
- Online relationships and consent: sending nudes and sexting
   For parents and carers of young people in secondary school.
- eSafety 101: how eSafety can help you For parents and carers of young people in primary and secondary school.
- Setting your child up for success online
  For parents and carers of young people in primary school.

For more information and to register now: esafety.gov.au/parents/webinars







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	CALENDAR OF EVENTS 2023			
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 16 <sup>th</sup> June	Whole School Disco			
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			

### **SPORTS NEWS**



#### The Wonder Recycling rewards program!

THPS is proud to be part of the Wonder Recycling Rewards program for schools. Around the school in each building you will find a recycling bin where you can place your used plastic bags from BREAD ITEMS ONLY (this includes bread, rolls, bagels, wraps which are not limited to the Wonder brand. Please do not bring in soft plastics from other foods). Ms Buccilli will send off these plastics which will be recycled

into an oil which can be reused to create food grade packaging, at the same time earning points for THPS to receive sports equipment.

What you can do: once you have finished with your bread products at home, shake out the crumbs from the plastic and bring in the plastic bags to school to place in the special recycling bins, located outside 2PS, 3HB, 6JA and in the office. That's it!

Thank you for helping the environment!



#### Mother's Day Breakfast - TOMORROW Friday 12th May

Join us anytime tomorrow morning 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.

Your child's classroom will be open from 8:45-9am, please take this opportunity to visit and see where they sit and what they are working on.

#### Mother's Day Stall - TOMORROW Friday 12th May

The Mother's Day Stall will also be held tomorrow, please send a bag to school with your child so they can take their present/s home. Again, many thanks to Bec Banez and Julie Ceravolo and all our volunteers for organising and assisting with this 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 <a href="https://wwcv.auspost.com.au/">https://wwcv.auspost.com.au/</a>

#### **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 <a href="mailto:thpspaf@gmail.com">thpspaf@gmail.com</a>

#### SAVE THE DATE - SATURDAY 22 JULY!

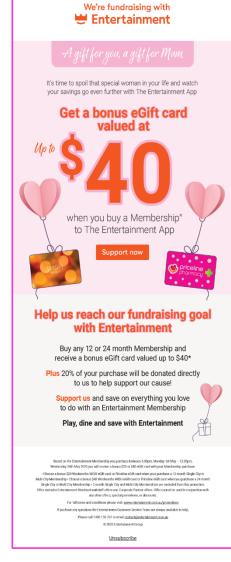
This year's major P&F social event has found a spot in the calendar.

We will be going indoors where it's warm... but that doesn't mean there won't be some chill in the air as the competitive nature of our parents/carers, friends, families and THPS staff emerge to be crowned the winners of TRIVIA NIGHT!!!

While details are being confirmed, block out your diary's, book your sitters and start getting your teams of 8 together. These are always fun nights and a way to engage with others in our school community.

We are looking for donations for our silent auction from some generous people. If you can source or donate something we can auction off please contact Sam Moynihan 0405 230 293 (Poppy JB4 & Willow 2SC) or Elisa

Westein (Amelia 2PS) 0416 983 456.





# **COMMUNITY NEWS**







# Now offering FREE KINDER IN 2024

### OPEN DAY SATURDAY 13TH MAY 10-12

49 Bulleen Road, Balwyn North

	MONDAY	TUESDAY	THURSDAY	
3 YEAR OLD CATERPILLAR GROUP	8:30-1:30	8:30-1:30	8:30-1:30	15 HOURS PER WEEK
4 YEAR OLD BUTTERFLY GROUP	8:30-2:30	8:30-2:30	8:30-2:30	18 HOURS PER WEEK

VISIT US ON OPEN DAY OR BOOK A PERSONAL TOUR BY CALLING 9859 6000 or visit www.bellevuekindergarten.org.au for a virtual tour





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