

# Our News

News from Templestowe Heights Primary School



Templestowe Heights  
Primary School

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Newsletter Term 2 Week 9

22<sup>nd</sup> June 2023

## *Templestowe Heights Primary School Values*

Persistence

Respect

Courage

Responsibility

“inspiring learners for life”

**Last day of Term 2 - Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> June – Assembly in the Gym at 1.30pm**

**Students Dismissed at 2.30pm**

**Term 3 Begins Tuesday 11<sup>th</sup> July**

## PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

### **Congratulations on Completing Another Term**

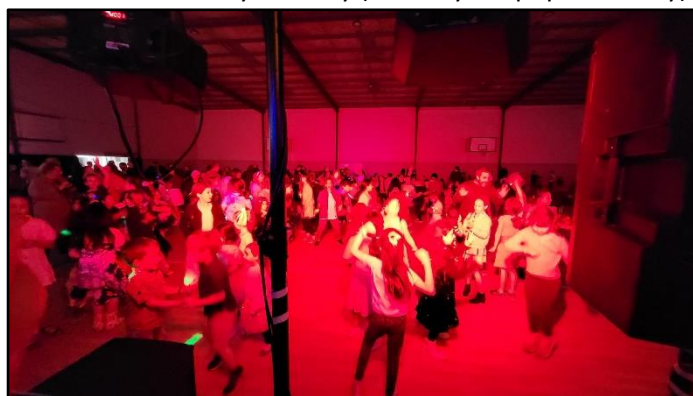
Congratulations to all our students for an extremely busy and productive semester of school. Our Foundation students have completed their first ever semester, while our year 6 students have one more to go. Throughout these past two terms, students have participated in a variety of skills-based sessions and deep-dive tasks across all subjects as well as many opportunities to participate in activities outside their classrooms.

Walking through our classrooms I have such a strong feeling of pride and amazement at the quality of learning that our students can demonstrate. I am still blown away when our prep students can explain what a phoneme is or our year 3 and 4s know what comma splices and independent clauses are. The quality of our learning programs are driven by our wonderful teachers and supported by our equally talented education support team. I am grateful for the environment we have established at Templestowe Heights and the behaviours we are instilling in our students.

I hope families have an opportunity over the break to spend some quality time together and recharge their batteries. We will be finishing at 2:30pm tomorrow (Friday) with a whole-school assembly commencing at 1:30pm in the gym. All members of our community are able to attend. School will resume on Tuesday 11<sup>th</sup> July (Monday is a pupil-free day).

### **School Disco**

On Friday our *Parents & Friends* held a highly successful and energy-packed School Disco. Over 300 students came in disco attire and danced (or ran) to songs played at nightclub-decibel levels. The event was extremely popular and it ran smoothly thanks to the help of so many volunteers. A special shout out to Despina who led the coordination of the event.



### **New Fees for Before/After School Care**

School Council have been able to negotiate a new fee structure with our Out Of School Care Hours provider (OOSCH) - *Theircare*. With a new federal government rebate coming in for the new financial year, School Council were able to settle on a new fee structure that would enable the full rebate to be passed on reducing fees. Please see the table on the next page which outlines the new fees, a great outcome for our community.

Care type	New Fees	New out-of-pocket	Average saving per session
Before School Care	\$21.96	\$10.96	-\$1.33
After School Care	\$30.68	\$15.34	-\$1.83
Pupil Free Day / Holiday Program*	\$70.38	\$35.19	-\$3.81

## Student Canteen

Last night at our School Council meeting we had a presentation from our newly formed student canteen team. *Oscar, Logan, Inca* (5KW), *Afra* and *Anthea* (6KS) presented their business case for a student-run canteen. The proposal was extremely thorough, with everything considered in advance including what the service will look like, considerations on dietary requirements, profit margins, ordering, accounting, bookkeeping and training. Thank you to our enrichment teacher Janine Reid for providing such an amazing student voice opportunity for our students. School Council have now endorsed the canteen and more information will come out at the start of next term.



## Excursions

What a busy week it has been! Our year 5 students visited the Queen Victoria Market as part of their unit of inquiry on the production of food and how it helps to keep us healthy. Today, students will be using their purchased products to cook in the new food technology classroom.

On Monday our Foundation students went to Myuna Farm as part of their inquiry unit *Farms and Food*. It was cold and wet but the students had a ball exploring the farm and learning about what it is like as life as a farmer. Thank goodness the students wore their gumboots!





## Interschool Sport

Our year 5/6 girls participated in an AFL round robin carnival, finishing third. What a terrific achievement, with a full report and photos found further on in our newsletter.

Today our school netball and AFL football team competed in the District grand final against Serpell Primary. Congratulations to our teams for fighting gallantly, coming away as victors. We are proud of all of our students for giving it their best go and being good sports.



## The Great Debate

Today our year 6 students participated in the Great Debate. With an official timekeeper, MC and judging panel, the students debated the topic of ***Children should not be able to access social media***. In a fiercely competed event, where our six speakers of *Christine, Matisse, Rosie, Vara, Alvand* and Cooper were eloquent and passionate in their defence of their for or against positions.

## Trivia Night

If you are competitive, want to beat a table of teachers or simply want to have a fun, kid-free night then consider the Trivia Night next term. Information can be found further on in this newsletter.

## Our Values in Action



We have been so pleased to see *Nicholas* (1JK) demonstrate our school value of Respect. Nicholas took it upon himself to clean up the rubbish in the school yard, he counted and collected 300 pieces of rubbish! We are so proud of Nicholas and the positive person he has become.

## Basketball Season

Another interschool school basketball season is coming to a close. It is a wonderful opportunity for our students to make new friends and learn to play in a team environment. We are fortunate that our students always play in the right spirit of the game, even when they compete against each other in grand finals. Well done to all our students as well as our parents and carers who are our coaches and team managers, for the positive experience you provide.

## Manningham Public Speaking Competition

Congratulations to Nina (5KW) and Amelia (6KS) for representing our school in the Templestowe Rotary Public Speaking Competition. Both Nina (topic was *If I could change the world*) and Amelia (topic was *Through the microscope*) spoke so exceptionally well. Nina and Amelia will once again be presenting their speeches at our whole school assembly tomorrow.



Rhys Coulson  
Principal

## CALENDAR OF EVENTS 2023

Friday 23 <sup>rd</sup> June	Parent Teacher Discussion Bookings Open Via COMPASS 3pm Whole School Assembly – 1.30pm – Gym (All Welcome) <b>Term 2 Ends Students Dismissed - 2.30pm</b>
<b>TERM 3</b>	
Monday 10 <sup>th</sup> July	Pupil Free Day – No School For Students
Tuesday 11 <sup>th</sup> July	Term 3 Begins
Thursday 13 <sup>th</sup> July	Year 5 & 6 T-Ball Round Robin
Friday 14 <sup>th</sup> July	Year 5 & 6 Netball Round Robin
Mon 17 <sup>th</sup> to Fri 21 <sup>st</sup> July	Parent/Carer Teacher Discussions
Thursday 3 <sup>rd</sup> August	Year 1 Excursion – Melbourne Museum
Thursday 17 <sup>th</sup> August	Whole School Athletics Carnival
Mon 28 <sup>th</sup> to Wed 30 Aug	Year 3 & 4 camp – Forrest Edge
Thursday 31 <sup>st</sup> August	District Athletics
Monday 4 <sup>th</sup> September	Year 3 & 4 Italian Incursion – Davinci's Apprentice!
<b>PUPIL FREE DAYS</b>	
Monday 10 <sup>th</sup> July	
Monday 6 <sup>th</sup> November	
<b>TERM DATES 2023</b>	
Term 2	Friday, 23 <sup>rd</sup> June Term 2 Ends 2.30pm
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

### Enrolments

#### Foundation 2024 Enrolments

We are now taking enrolments for foundation 2024. If you are an existing family with a younger sibling, please contact the office to collect an enrolment form.



All unnamed lost property will be donated to the second hand uniform shop at the end of the school day this Friday. All non-school items will be donated to charity. Please come to the lost property tub in the office area before this time.

#### Holiday Program Lost Property

*Theircare* has a tub of non-school items that were left at the holiday program. Please go to *Theircare* to collect these items.

#### School Car Park



Parents and carers are reminded that students are not permitted to walk through the carpark at anytime. Please walk your children around the carpark to ensure the safety of all students and staff.

#### Dogs On School Grounds

Just a reminder that all dogs, big or small young or old are not permitted in the school grounds on school days.

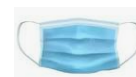


#### Second Hand Uniform Shop

Our second hand uniform shop is open Wednesday to Friday from 3pm to 3.45pm (unless there is a staff meeting being held in the room). All tops and dresses \$5. All bottoms \$2. School bags, hats and satchels \$5.

#### Face Masks

We have a number for adult and children's face masks that we are giving out to our Templestowe Heights families free of charge. These also include N95 masks. If you would like a box please come to the office and collect some.





# DOWNBALL CLINICS

Last week we were fortunate to have coaches from Downball Victoria come and run clinics for the Grade 3-6 classes, followed by a lunchtime tournament. The children learned different types of shots, strategic moves and left the clinics with a new downball of their very own. We love how Downball (otherwise known as Four Square) is such an inclusive game that anyone can play!!!







## GIRLS AFL ROUND ROBIN DAY



Well done to our Girls AFL Team who played at Zerbes Reserve on Wednesday, finishing equal THIRD on the ladder against other schools in the Templestowe/Manningham district. Amazing effort girls!



## RUNNING CLUB



Thank you to all those who have been attending running club every Wednesday morning. Running club will continue to 'run' every Wednesday at 8:15am in Term 3 – all are welcome!!





## Term 2 Events

### Disco – THANK YOU!

A huge THANK YOU to Despina and all the volunteers for organising and helping out last Friday night at this disco! It was a great success, the children seemed to have an excellent night.

### THPS Social Trivia Night – Saturday 22<sup>nd</sup> July

Don't forget to book your seat and table for the Trivia night, being held on the 22nd of July at The Manningham in the Sports Bar.

Book your tickets at: <https://www.trybooking.com/CIIBK>

Tickets are \$45 which includes canapes and a welcome drink. We hope to see you there!

**We hope everyone has a lovely time over school holidays and come back refreshed for term 3, when we will share more exciting events that are coming up.**

### 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)



## BASKETBALL NEWS



### Miniball is back in Term 3!

Miniball will be starting again Term 3 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.

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

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

**GO HEIGHTS!!!**



## BASKETBALL NEWS



Season 2 2023

### REGISTRATIONS ARE NOW OPEN!

Any children new to basketball in grades 1-6 who would like to join can register using the link:

<https://www.trybooking.com/CIXYB>

Current players please use the emailed link.

For more information, please email Natalie & Kate

[thpsbasketball@gmail.com](mailto:thpsbasketball@gmail.com)

**GO HEIGHTS!!!**



# P & F TRIVIA NIGHT

## Saturday 22<sup>nd</sup> July at 7pm



Parents and Friends group have been busy planning the first social event for 2023. Tickets are now on sale for our “Wild Party Animals” themed trivia night **on Saturday 22<sup>nd</sup> July at 7pm.**

(NOTE: This is an adult only event)

Head to trybooking using the QR code or link below and book your set or team table. Its shaping up to be FUN evening!!!

Team names are a must! After booking, please nominate one person from your team to email your team name and table number to [moynihan.samantha@gmail.com](mailto:moynihan.samantha@gmail.com).

Prizes will be awarded to the most adventurous and creative team.

**TICKETS ARE NOW OPEN!!!**

### Event details:

- Theme - Wild Party Animals
- Date: - Saturday 22<sup>nd</sup> July at 7pm
- Place: - Sports Bar at the Manningham Hotel
- Tickets: - \$45 each, this includes Trivia, canapes and a welcome drink.

We have had some fabulous items donated for the silent auction and will share some of those later in the term... we are still looking for more donations for the auction as we are raising funds to install a mud kitchen for the kids!



<https://www.trybooking.com/CIKKB>



## COMMUNITY NEWS

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**CHESS** at  
**Templestowe Heights Primary**

Chess is the original and enduring "thought sport" played throughout the world and has many benefits for young people. These include improved cognitive skills as well as self confidence and resilience. With coaches who rank among the best players in the country our chess programs are tailored to suit the needs of all abilities.

**ENROL ONLINE NOW!**

**CONTACT US FOR TRIALS**

**TUESDAYS, 1:00 - 1:50 PM**

**STARTS ON 18 JUL**

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**FOR YEARS 1 - 6**

**ROOM: SCIENCE CENTRE**

Scan or click the QR code to enrol online!



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 **DONVALE NETBALL CLUB**

 **SUNCORP net set go**

**Come and try or register for the Spring Season (Jul to Nov)**

- Join new netball junior teams for the Spring season
  - 9/u, 11/u, 13/u, 15/u, 17/u and Open Age Teams
- Or if you are new to netball, join us for NetSetGO
  - Australia's official starter program for girls/boys, aged 5-10
  - Passing drills & shooting
  - Ball games & practice matches
  - Friendly coaches... make new friends
- NetSetGO and club training - Tuesdays
- Team competitions - Saturdays
- Venue: Manningham Templestowe Leisure Centre Netball Courts

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