



News from Templestowe Heights Primary School

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Newsletter Term 3 Week 10

14th September 2023

Templestowe Heights Primary School Values

Persistence

Respect

Courage

Responsibility

"Inspiring learners for life"

Last day of Term 3 - Friday 15th September – Assembly in the Gym at 1.30pm

Students Dismissed at 2.30pm

Term 4 Begins Monday 2nd October

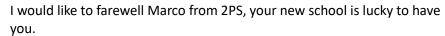
PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

Safe Break

Another ten weeks of schooling and another school term comes to an end. This term has been as big as any other with numerous school events, cold mornings, milestones, celebrations and not to mention the array of germs that have swept through our community.

I hope all families have an opportunity to spend some quality time together, recharge their batteries and prepare for a huge (12 week) term 4. Thank you to our dedicated and talented staff, our parents and carers

and of course all our students for their efforts this term in making our community such a positive and exciting place to come to every day.



Artist in Residence

We are excited to announce that the very talented Cecile Gray (Florence 4RA) is our Artist in Residence for term 4. Cecile will be working with all students to create a ceramic mosaic that was designed by our very own year 6 student Helena (6JA) and Cecile.

The site for the mosaic will be on the wall opposite to the chicken coop and community garden. Students will be creating this during their art lessons throughout term 4.

Cecile will also create the central piece of the mosaic mural with the year 6 students to form their Legacy Piece. We can't wait to see the piece of art form throughout the term.

Lifelong Learner

We are so impressed with Zia (4BG) and her efforts in maintaining her strong study habits. This photo was taken in the plane on her family holiday. She was told she didn't need to do any schoolwork while she was away, but this didn't stop Zia and she didn't tell her parents that she had packed her maths practice book. Zia is living our vision and we are confident she will be a lifelong learner!



Art Gallery

Throughout this week, before and after school, families have had the opportunity to visit the Art Room and surrounding spaces. Our students should be proud of the artwork that was on display (both 2D and 3D) and it lit up the space. All pieces of artwork can be collected from today (Thursday). Thank you to Joy Birrell, Tania Martini, Mary Wakefield and Julie Ceravolo for all their hard work and commitment in making this happen.







Mobile Phone Support for Parents & Carers

We know the peer-group pressure our children can be under as well as the safety concerns we have as parents and carers allowing our children to be more responsible. Allowing your child to have a mobile phone is not something we had as children. It is a big deal and there is a lot of trust and potential worry associated with giving our children access to the a whole new online world. Attached to this message is a contract example of what parents and carers could use and/or adapt when laying down expectations around the use of their mobile phone.

Chicken Care

Today we had a visit from the Templestowe College (TC's) Animal Care team. As part of TC's curriculum, students can study animal care and the students in this program have been so supportive and giving of their time in helping our students care for our chickens. Our Enviro Leaders participated in a professional learning session on Chicken Care and Husbandry, providing our students with the knowledge to ensure we care for our chickens as best we can. It was pleasing to see some of our ex-students deliver the session. Thank you to Karin Diep for organising this special session.



Principal



CALENDAR OF EVENTS 2023		
TERM 3		
	Last day of Term 2	
Friday 15 th September	- Whole School Assembly Gym 1.30pm (All Welcome)	
	- School Finishes at 2.30pm	
TERM 4		
Monday 2 nd October	Term 4 Begins	
Friday 6 th October	Year 5 & 6 Volley Ball Round Robin	
Wednesday 11 th October	Year 5 & 6 Basketball Round Robin	
Friday 17 th October	Year 5 Immigration Museum/Shrine Excursion	
Thursday 19 th October	Year 2 Green Hat - Planks Design Incursion	
Mon 23 rd to Wed 25 th October	Year 5 & 6 Camp Howqua	
Monday 6 th November	Pupil Free day – No School For Students	
Tuesday 7 th November	Melbourne Cup Public Holiday	
Mon 27 th Nov to 1 st Dec	Swimming Foundation and Year 3 & 4	
Mon 4 th to Friday 8 th December	Swimming Years 1, 2, 5 & 6	
Tuesday 5 th December	Whole School Transition for 2024 Classes	

Tuesday 12 th December	Whole School Transition for 2024 Classes	
Wednesday 18 th December	Year 6 Big Day Out	
Tuesday 19 th December	Year 6 Graduation	
Wednesday 20 th December	Term 4 Ends – Students dismissed at 1.30pm	
PUPIL FREE DAYS		
Monday 6 th November		
TERM DATES 2023		
Term 4	Monday, 2 nd October – Wednesday, 20 th December	

FROM THE OFFICE



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.

Second Hand Uniform Shop

Our secondhand uniform shop is open Wednesday to Friday from 3pm to 3.45pm. All tops and dresses \$5, all bottoms \$2, School bags, hats and satchels \$5.

FUTSAL TEAM Expression of Interest

We only need 2 more people to create a THPS parent/carer Futsal team. If you would like your child to be a part of this team please contact the school office and we will pass on your details.

PE NEWS

Running Club!

Thank you to all the students and families that have joined me for our weekly Wednesday morning Running Club! It has been great to see so many faces come back every week to improve their fitness, exercise with their friends and see Mr Coulson in his running shorts. Running Club will continue to run each Wednesday morning in Term 4 commencing at 8.15am. All are welcome!



STEP-tember walking club!

STEM – tember Challenge – how many steps are you doing each day? Challenge yourself for the month of September like all these amazing students who have been walking with me at lunchtimes around the school.

Well done to BEN (2NS) who has managed to do the impossible and beat my step count. Time to get moving!





Term 4 Events

Its hard to believe that school holidays are upon us – We hope that you all have a safe and recharging break.

We have a few things going on in the beginning of Term 4. Please watch this space to find out all the fun things coming up!

Tea Towel Fundraiser

This term THPS student have been very busy working on some amazing art (currently on display). As apart of this, each individual student has created a drawing which we have then transferred onto tea towels (by year level).



In the first week of term 4, slips will go home with each child, for you to be able to purchase these amazing tea towels, at \$16 each or \$14 each when purchasing more than 3 (per year level).

This has been such a fun fundraising activity, which everybody got involved in — Not one child missed out! P&F would like to thank Margaret De haas, Joy Birrell, Tania Martini and all of the other teachers that assisted in pulling this massive together — We appreciate you!

Referendum BBQ - 14th October 2023

As THPS is an electoral/voting site for the 2023 Referendum, P&F will be running a BBQ on voting day. If you would like to volunteer to help out at the BBQ, please click <u>VOLUNTEER HERE</u> and add your name.

BBQ Volunteers will need to have a current Working with Children Check and complete the quick and easy online Food Safety course: www.dofoodsafely.health.vic.gov.au

Working With Children Check (WWCC)

If you are keen to donate some of your time to assist with various school activities, we would love to hear from you!! A WWCC is required and can be applied for free of charge online at 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 questions asked.

https://www.facebook.com/groups/758762184247385

Lauren & Elisa at P&F - thpspaf@gmail.com



\$13 from each Membership purchased goes to our school.

COMMUNITY NEWS







MONTESSORI ADOLESCENT PROGRAM

MAP@TC

"HOW CAN I BE SURE THAT MAP IS THE BEST FIT FOR MY CHILD?"



Come along on the evening of Tuesday 17th of October and hear the direct experiences of other parents.

A panel of parents whose children have been through the Montessori Program at TC, and parents whose children are currently in the Program, will be there to answer your questions.

Get the real answers from those with real experience.

At the PAC, TC, 7.00 - 8.30pm on Tuesday 17th of October.

We will also explain the MAP@TC 3-year Curriculum plan, plus give a key breakdown of expectations from the ACARA-approved National Montessori Curriculum.

This event is especially designed for families who are considering enrolment in MAP, and/or have enrolled for 2024. It will also be highly beneficial for families currently in their first 2 years of MAP.

Book your seat here with the Trybooking link, https://www.trybooking.com/CLOHV





Walks for Carers – Neighbourhood Carers Club



Calling all Carers! Join our friendly walking group and enjoy good company, fresh air, and green space exposure in a 30-minute walk around our local neighbourhood — finishing with afternoon tea at Pines Learning. Carve out important time to refill your cup, create and/or strengthen friendships, move your body, discover useful resources and services, and spend time with others walking a similar life path. A guest speaker will be invited to some sessions.

Event details:

Date: Wednesday 11 October (1 Week)

Wednesday 8 November (1 Week) Wednesday 6 December (1 Week)

Time: 1.30-3.00 pm

Cost: FREE

Where: Pines Learning Activity Room

Places are limited and bookings are essential so please contact us on **9842 6726** or visit our website at pineslearning.com.au to enrol.



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