



Our News



Templestowe Heights
Primary School

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News from Templestowe Heights Primary School

Newsletter Term 3 Week 9

7th September 2023

Templestowe Heights Primary School Values

Persistence

Respect

Courage

Responsibility

"Inspiring learners for life"

Term 3 Finishes Next Friday 15th September At 2.30pm

PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

Book Week

This week our students and staff celebrated Book Week (albeit one week late). From Mrs Wishy Washy to Little Red Riding Hood, students and staff came dressed as their favourite characters from the books they like to read. Each lunch time students were able to tune in to a Webex live reading from THPS staff reading their favourite books. This week of celebrations was organised by Stephanie McNabb and the Junior School Councillors, another great example of student voice in action.



Community Garden

A couple of lunch times a week, our community garden is open for students to access. Lead by our amazingly talented gardener Laura (Helena 6JA), students have learnt how to grow and monitor seasonal vegetables and herbs.



Open Art Room Gallery

Next week in the upper level of our new building, our art room and the space outside the room will be open before school (8:45-9:00am) and after school (3:30-4:00pm). This is to provide families with an opportunity to come in and view their child's art work and celebrate their efforts.



Welcome New Students

We would like to welcome Assef (1PC) and Albashar (3TH) into our learning community. We look forward to seeing you grow as learners.

AFL Final Tickets Giveaway

Congratulations to Matthew (1RR) and Chloe (3TH) who have won tickets through our before and after school provider Their Care. Chloe and Matt will be attending the St. Kilda vs GWS semi final this Saturday at the MCG.

THPS Conference

On Saturday we hosted our first ever conference. The focus of the conference was on maths subject teaching from teachers for teachers. 110 attendees, some who flew in from Queensland and NSW, were able to learn from teachers from other high performing schools including Bentleigh West PS, Clarendon College, Dockland PS, Oxford University Press as well as our very own Martin Ravindran and Sam Charlton. The conference was extremely successful and we are running a repeat day in October. A massive thank you to Jeanette Breen and Brendan Lee for organising this worthwhile event.

Rhys Coulson

Principal

PRIMARY MATHEMATICS CONFERENCE



CALENDAR OF EVENTS 2023

TERM 3

Friday 8 th September	Parent/Caregiver/Guardian Opinion Survey Closes
Mon 11 th – Fri 15 th Sept	Artroom Open Week - Before and After School for Visitors
Friday 15 th September	Last day of Term 2 – 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
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	Pupli 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
Tuesday 12 th December	Whole School Transition
Tuesday 19 th December	Year 6 Graduation
Wednesday 20 th December	Term 4 Ends – Students dismissed at 1.30pm

PUPIL FREE DAYS

Monday 6th November

TERM DATES 2023

Term 4	Monday, 2 nd October – Wednesday, 20 th December
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FROM THE OFFICE

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

Interested in creating a THPS parent/carer Futsal team? One of our parents, Farhang (Adrian 1PC), is keen on creating a midweek 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.

FIRST AID UPDATE

Thunderstorm asthma — be prepared this pollen season

Grass pollen season, which runs from October to December each year, brings an increase in asthma and hay fever symptoms. It also increases the risk of [thunderstorm asthma](#). For people with asthma or hay fever, especially those who experience wheezing or coughing with their hay fever, thunderstorm asthma can be sudden, serious and even life threatening.

Templestowe Heights Primary School will implement a range of measures to keep our school community safe when the risk of thunderstorm asthma increases.

Many of our staff are trained in asthma first aid, and we will monitor the VicEmergency app to receive thunderstorm warnings, and, where appropriate, keep students indoors when weather forecasts identify greater level of risk.

How you can prepare

During pollen season, there are some things you can do to prepare and protect yourself and your family:

- If your child has ever had asthma: talk to your doctor about what you can do to help protect your child from the risk of thunderstorm asthma, including updating your asthma action plan. Taking an asthma preventer properly and regularly is key to preventing asthma, including thunderstorm asthma.
- If your child has hay fever: see your pharmacist or doctor for a hay fever treatment plan and check if you should have an asthma reliever puffer. These are available from a pharmacy without a prescription.
- If your child has hay fever and experiences wheezing and coughing: it is important to make sure they don't also have asthma. Speak to your doctor about an asthma action plan.
- Where possible, avoid being outside during thunderstorms from October to December, especially during the wind gusts that come before the storm. Go inside and close your doors and windows. If you have your air conditioning on, turn it to 'recirculate'.

Protect yourself this pollen season – managing asthma and allergies matters.

If these conditions are new to your child please contact our first aid officer Tanya Misquitta at the office to arrange the preparation of an action plan.

ART ROOM NEWS

Come and browse in the new ART SPACE and see your child's artistic talents being showcased.

The Art Room will be open before and after school from Monday September 11th to Thursday September 14th.

Look for artworks from:

FOUNDATION- drawing & collage PETS, clay faces, plasticine portrait families, box constructed cars

GRADE 2- collage & printed birds, clay angry birds, Monet's water-lily pond, paper-plate constructed birds

GRADE 3- clay slab houses, paper-bag constructed houses and outside environments

GRADE 4: clay snoopy dogs, painted blue dogs, newspaper collage dogs, textile key rings

GRADE 5: textile "Fashion Characters", painted tonal cone- mobiles, clay Asian elephant parade





Luke 5MR Isabella 5KW



Gemma 3EJ



Grade 2
Monet's Waterlily Pond



Grade 1



Term 3 Events

FATHER'S DAY Stall/Sweet Treat and Coffee

We hope that you all had a great Fathers day.

Special thank you to Bec and Julie for organising the Fathers Day stall. It was such a hit as usual and we hope all the Dad's, Grandfathers and special people enjoyed their presents.

Thank you to our volunteers, Jessica Chen, Sheree Nitschke and Oula for helping out on the day – we couldn't have done this without your assistance.

To all the Teachers that helped with the Morning tea and coffees/hot chocolates Friday morning, THANK YOU - we are SO grateful. It was a huge turn out and seeing all of the smiling faces was certainly worthwhile.

Pancake Parlour School Rewards Program

With school holidays coming up, it's a great opportunity to take the family to the Pancake Parlour – and showing them the barcode for the School Rewards Program



To get involved, you just simply download The Pancake Parlour app, follow the prompts to join the school rewards program

Or click on this link <https://www.pancakeparlour.com.au/school-rewards-join-an-existing-school>

Every time you dine at the Pancake Parlour show them your barcode in the app and THPS will gain points, which turn into great prizes for the school, such as guest speakers, vouchers and cash.

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

Doncaster LAC

WE ARE WELCOMING

Give athletics a go!

Do you love to run, jump and throw?

Do you love having fun and spending time with family and friends and achieving your personal best?

Why not give athletics a go?

For more information contact registrar@doncasterlac.org.au

All ages 5-16 years

Doncaster Little Athletics Centre
Tom Kelly Athletics Track

To book 2 free trial sessions
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GIRLS & WOMEN'S CRICKET



Bulleen Templestowe Cricket Club
seeking players for girls teams

YARRA
EAGLES
BASKETBALL CLUB

SUMMER SEASON 23/24 REGISTRATION NOW OPEN



U8 - U21 TEAMS

REGISTRATION CLOSSES
10TH SEPTEMBER 2023

Pines Learning

Term 4 Short Courses



- Business Admin Skills
- Business Admin Plus (Advanced)
- Ready for Hospitality
- Intro to Medical Terminology
- MYOB Basics
- Computer for Beginners Level 2
- Cyber Safety Basics
- Digital Design using Canva
- Skills to Apply for Work (free)

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