



News from Templestowe Heights Primary School

9850 1796

Newsletter Term 4 Week 1

5th October 2023

# Templestowe Heights Primary School Values

Persistence

Respect

Courage

Responsibility

"Inspiring learners for life"

**Welcome Back to Term 4** 

# PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

#### Welcome Back!

As we turn onto the final straight and commence term 4, I hope families were able to recharge the batteries and spend some quality time together. It is always a busy and frenetic last term as we build to a crescendo and wrap everything up for another year.

Over the break *Their Care* (our before/after school provider), lead by Molly, ran a highly successful Holiday Program that attracted the maximum numbers on many of the days. Thanks to the *Parents & Friends* and our *Student Voice* leaders, four-square line markings were painted along the concrete footpath adjacent

to our school oval. In the coming week we will be removing our current sign on High St and replacing it with a new digital screen.

We would also like to welcome back Julie Gibbs as well as new students *William* (5KW), *Lawson* (4RR) and *Welsey* (2NS). We look forward to seeing the newest members of our community grow as learners.

Lastly, for the many Collingwood supporters within our community, it pains me to say this but – congratulations. What an epic grand final and the best team throughout the season were the deserved winners. As a firm reminder, the armistice of wearing Collingwood attire ends now. Anyone caught wearing so much as a Collingwood badge, scarf or even missing any teeth will be found guilty of not following the school's uniform policy and served with a lifetime of detentions.

## **Rescheduled - Cyber Safety Information Session**

As part of our E-Safety Policy, we will be hosting a parent/carer session on Wednesday 18th October from 6-7pm in the staffroom. The event will be hosted by a member of the Federal Police and the purpose is to help parents and carers to understand what young people do/see/say online and how to help navigate through these challenges. For anyone wanting to come along and register to this free event, please contact the office on 9850 1796. Thank you to our School Council (Community Engagement) for organising this worthwhile event. See the flyer attached to this newsletter.

#### **Division Athletics**

Congratulations to Chizzy(6KS), Zac (6JA), Lucy(6JA), Edward (6LS), Rose (6KS), Ian (5KW), Tayla, Danny (4RR) and Angelo (3ES) for representing our school at the Division Athletics competition. All nine of our students and gave it their best go and we ae proud of them. Well done to Chizzy who has made it through to the Regional championships in the 80m Hurdles.



#### 2024 Planning

As part of the process of creating classes for 2024, we are asking if parents or carers have any special requests relating to their child's grade placement for 2024, that they place it via email at <a href="templestowe.heights.ps@education.vic.gov.au">templestowe.heights.ps@education.vic.gov.au</a> by Friday 27<sup>th</sup> October. As part of our class formation policy, teachers will facilitate a process where we ask all children to list five friends, where we are able guarantee that every child will have at least one of those five friends in their class for the following year, as per policy.

Requests may relate to friendship concerns, learning issues or family matters. Requests cannot be made regarding individual teachers and parents/carers are unable to select their child's friends on their behalf.

#### **Extreme Weather**

As part of our Emergency Management Plan, we regularly monitor the weather conditions, particularly at recess or lunch play times. We will enact a severe weather timetable if we are advised by the Department of Education or if we have reason to believe having the students outside will leave them at risk of danger.

# **Child Safety Policy**

Templestowe Heights is committed to child safety. Any matters related to protecting all children from child abuse, managing the risk of child abuse, providing support to a child at risk of child abuse, and responding to suspicions, incidents, disclosures or allegations of child abuse form our child safety policy.

#### **New Four Square Courts**

I hope that our community have seen the path area at the bottom of the school where new Four Square courts have been added for the children to continue to enjoy playing this game. The two existing courts near the chicken coop have also been updated with new lines markings, making nine courts in all that the children have access to around the school grounds. A big thank you to the Parents and Friends for raising the funds for us to be able to do this. As you can imagine they have been a huge hit with the children!





| CALENDAR OF EVENTS 2023                                |  |
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| TERM 4   |  |
| Friday 6 <sup>th</sup> October                         | Year 5 & 6 Volley Ball Round Robin                   |
| Monday 9 <sup>th</sup> October                         | School Assembly 3.10pm via Webex 571 909 455         |
| Wednesday 11 <sup>th</sup> October                     | Year 5 & 6 Basketball Round Robin                    |
|  | Year 5 & 6 Camp Balance Due                          |
| Monday 16 <sup>th</sup> October                        | Whole School Assembly 2.45pm in the Gym              |
| Tuesday 17 <sup>th</sup> October                       | Year 5 Immigration Museum/Shrine Excursion           |
| Wednesday 18 <sup>th</sup> October                     | Cyber Safety Seminar 6pm to 7pm - Staffroom          |
| Thursday 19 <sup>th</sup> October                      | Year 2 Green Hat - Planks Design Incursion           |
| Mon 23 <sup>rd</sup> to Wed 25 <sup>th</sup> October   | Year 5 & 6 Camp Howqua                               |
| Monday 6 <sup>th</sup> November                        | Pupil Free day – No School For Students              |
| Tuesday 7 <sup>th</sup> November                       | Melbourne Cup Public Holiday                         |
| Mon 27 <sup>th</sup> Nov to 1 <sup>st</sup> Dec        | Swimming Foundation and Year 3 & 4                   |
| Mon 4 <sup>th</sup> to Friday 8 <sup>th</sup> December | Swimming Years 1, 2, 5 & 6                           |
| Tuesday 5 <sup>th</sup> December                       | Whole School Transition for 2024 Classes – Session 1 |
| Tuesday 12 <sup>th</sup> December                      | Whole School Transition for 2024 Classes – Session 2 |
| Wednesday 18 <sup>th</sup> December                    | Year 6 Big Day Out                                   |
| Tuesday 19 <sup>th</sup> December                      | Year 6 Graduation                                    |
| Wednesday 20 <sup>th</sup> December                    | Term 4 Ends – Students dismissed at 1.30pm           |

#### **PUPIL FREE DAYS**

Monday 6th November

# **TERM DATES 2023**

Term 4 Monday, 2<sup>nd</sup> October – Wednesday, 20<sup>th</sup> December

# **FROM THE OFFICE**

#### **Forms and Payments Due**

Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> October - Year 5 & 6 Camp balance due

- Year 5 Museum and shrine Excursion due

Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> October - Year 2 Planks incursion due

- Tea towel orders due

Friday 20<sup>th</sup> October - Artist in residence due

### **Bunnings Doncaster Halloween Scarecrow Competition**

Bunnings Doncaster are holding a free Halloween event on the 31<sup>st</sup> October, and THPS have been invited to join in their Scarecrow Competition! In the coming weeks, the JSC and Environmental Reps will plan, build and decorate their very own Scarecrow to enter into the competition. At the event, students, families and members of the public will be able to attend the Bunnings Store and vote for our Scarecrow to be the winner of a \$200 Bunnings gift card. Please see the flyer below for further details.





#### Date: 31st Octobe Time: 4-6PM

Join us for Trick or Treating, Kids DIY, Mini Golf, Disco, Glitter Tattoos and MORE!

We hope to see you in store

Scan code, select your store from the dropdown list to boo







#### **Term 4 Events**



#### **Tea Towel Fundraiser**

This week forms went 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).

### 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 VOLUNTEER HERE 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.qov.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 <a href="https://wwcv.auspost.com.au/">https://wwcv.auspost.com.au/</a>

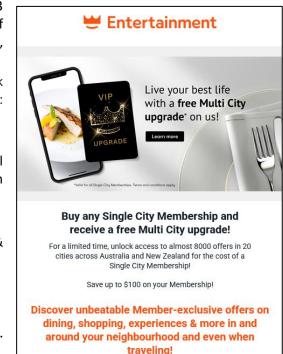
## **THPS Parents & Friends Community Facebook page**

Join the THPS closed Facebook group by searching for THPS Parents & Friends Community and answering the 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**



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.





#### Come and enjoy:

plants
vegetable seedlings
great variety of heirloom tomatoes
homemade cakes and preserves
coffee cart
art and craft displays
site tours and information for new families

#### Where:

39 Wetherby Road, Doncaster and 512 Sydney Rd, Coburg A great day out for the whole family See you there!

(03) 9848 3695



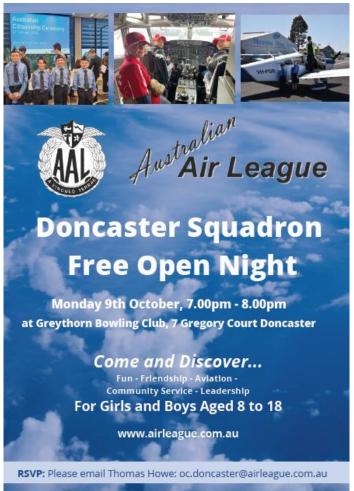
#### FOR SALE

4 Lop Rabits for sale, Not vaccinated, with no known health conditions \$50 each. Please email me at izzyapps19@gmail.com Isabella









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