



Our News



News from Templestowe Heights Primary School

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Primary School

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Newsletter Term 4 Week 7

16th November 2023

Templestowe Heights Primary School Values

Persistence

Respect

Courage

Responsibility

"Inspiring learners for life"

**Extra Tea Towels Available To Purchase
(Contact the office)**

PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

Maths Olympiad & Games

Congratulations to all students in years 3 & 4 who participated in the Maths Games as well as our Year 5 & 6 who participated in the Maths Olympiad competition. Pitted against peers from Australia and New Zealand, our students were asked to solve challenging mathematical problems that involved applying complex reasoning and problem-solving strategies.



A special congratulations to Anthea (6KS) who recorded a perfect score, placing her in the 0.6% of the 30,000 students who participated in the competition.



Gearing Up for Graduation

It is full throttle as our year 6 students get ready for graduation at the end of the year. As a mark of celebrating the end of primary school, Kate Stacker, Linda Spencer, Julianna Alexeev and Sabrina Toon have planned the finale song, choreographed a special dance, ceremonial schedule, special lunch and a day out at an adventure park. For the parents and carers of the graduating class the time has come very quickly.



Swimming Program

As part of the state government's water safety program, we are running our swimming program from the 27th November – 8th December. During these two weeks all year levels will participate in one week (5 lessons) of intensive, daily 30-minute lessons. Families are reminded to return their permission forms by this Friday.

Colin Corstorphin Award

Each year our school community confers its highest student honour, The Colin Corstorphin Memorial Award, upon one student from Year 6. This award recognizes the student to have demonstrated our school values and represented themselves and Templestowe Heights Primary to an exceptional standard. More information is found on the nomination form with this Compass message.

Rhys Coulson
Principal

CALENDAR OF EVENTS 2023

TERM 4

Monday 27 th November	Colin Corstorphin Award Nominations Close Library Closes for Borrowing
Mon 27 th Nov to 1 st Dec	Swimming Foundation and Year 3 & 4
Friday 1 st December	All Library Books to be Returned
Mon 4 th to Friday 8 th December	Swimming Years 1, 2, 5 & 6
Tuesday 5 th December	Whole School Transition for 2024 Classes – Session 1 (2.30pm -3.15pm)
Thursday 7 th December	Carols Night
Monday 11 th December	Ginger Bread House Making Evening 6.30pm
Tuesday 12 th December	Whole School Transition for 2024 Classes – Session 2 (11.30pm -12.30pm)
Monday 18 th December	School Reports Via COMPASS – From 4.00pm Year 6 Big Day Out
Tuesday 19 th December	Year 6 Graduation lunch and Ceremony
Wednesday 20 th December	Term 4 Ends – Students dismissed at 1.30pm

TERM DATES 2023

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

Forms Due

Friday 17th November - Swimming forms due

Friday 17th November – Year 6 jackets/polos due

Are You Moving School in 2024?

For those families that are moving to new schools or homes can you please notify us in writing at your earliest convenience as this helps with our 2024 planning.

Year 6 Jacket and Polo Tops for 2024

The order form for the 2024 year 6 jacket and polo was sent home to all year 5 students last week. Please complete and return the form with your payment by Friday 17th November to ensure an early delivery next year. The form must be returned even if you do not wish to purchase any items. Choose carefully as exchanges and refunds cannot be made.

FOUND

We have found a pair of mushroom shapes kids earrings in the school grounds. If these belong to you please contact the office

LOST PROPERTY

A reminder to all families to please ensure that all items of uniform, lunchboxes, lids, and drink bottles are clearly labelled to ensure their prompt return. All unnamed uniform will be donated to the secondhand uniform shop fortnightly.

LIBRARY NEWS



The library is closed for borrowing from Monday 27th November. All borrowed books need to be returned by Friday 1st December.

ENRICHMENT NEWS:

This year the Enrichment Program has included the APSMO Maths Games and Maths Olympiad Competitions. These programmes encourage students to think deeply and flexibly about maths ideas and strategies. This year over 30,000 students participated in these very tough competitions and overall, our students did exceptionally well!



2023 Maths Games Results and Achievements:

The following **Year 3** students completed the competition and were awarded an achievement certificate:

Stanley (3HB); Gregory (3TH); Juliet (3EJ); Avery (3HB); Lionel (3HB); Susanna (3HB); and Janan (3HB).



I would like to make special mention of **William (3EJ)** who achieved the highest individual score.

The following **Year 4** students completed the competition and were awarded an achievement certificate:

Ludwin (4BG); Zara (4SM); Florence (4RR); Cooper (BG); Danny (4RR); Tommy (4BG); Toby (4SM); Stanley (4BG); Dash (4BG); Kas(4BG) and Ava (4BG).

I would like to make special mention of **Michael (4BG)** who achieved the highest individual score.

2023 Math OLYMPIAD Awards and Achievements

Huge congratulations to the 2023 Maths Olympiad team, who were awarded a **“Certificate of High Team Achievement”**. This award is in recognition of the team’s combined success, which saw them score in the top 20% of team scores in Division J. This is an outstanding achievement, and I thank everyone for their contribution.



Certificates of Achievement are presented to students who participated in and completed the Olympiads. This year the following **Year 5** students received a certificate of achievement:

Zev (5MR); Johnny (5MR); Emerysn (5MR); Leo (5KW)

The following students’ results placed them in the top 50%:

Sebastian (5KW)

The following students’ results placed them in the top 40%:

Jayden (5KW); Pranav (5MR); and Ethan (5KW)

The following students’ results placed them in the top 25%:

Inca (5KW); and Ian (5KW);

The following students’ results placed them in the top 20%:

Oscar (5KW) and Lachlan (5MR)

I would like to make special mention of **Logan (5KW)** who achieved the highest Year 5 individual score. Lachlan’s results placed him in the top 10% of students who participated.

This year **Eloise (6LS)** received a certificate of achievement.

The following students’ results placed them in the top 40%:

Afra (6KS); Brodie (6KS) and Emilio (6KS).

This year **Glen’s (6JA)** results placed him in the top 30% and **Helena’s (6JA)** results placed her in the top 25%.

The following students’ results placed them in the top 20%:

Camilla (6KS); Harry (6JA); and Lara (6KS).

The following students’ results placed them in the top 10%:

Amelia (6KS); Viraaj (6LS) and Alvand (6JA).

This year **Anthea (6KS)** achieved the highest individual score. In fact, Anthea scored a perfect 20 out of 20, which is an exceptional result that only 227 out of over 30,000 students achieved. This incredible result places Anthea in the top 0.63% of participants. I would like to congratulate Anthea in recognition of this outstanding result.

***Congratulations to everyone who completed this challenging programme. I would like to take this opportunity to thank these students for their commitment and sustained efforts.
I could not be more proud!***

Janine Reid

3-6 Enrichment Teacher.

PE NEWS!

This week in PE, the F-2 students have been working on body and spatial awareness in fun gymnastics activities.

The challenge: Can you create different shapes with your body? Check out their creative responses!

SQUARE TRIANGLE



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THE LETTER D Q E J



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Term 4 Events

Tea Towel Fundraiser



Everyone should have received their tea towels this week, I hope you were all as thrilled with them as we were – they look great!

If you missed out, we have a few spares for each year level, please see the office if you would like to purchase these for \$16.00 each.

Gingerbread House making and kits – Monday 11th December 6:30pm

Forms are attached to this Compass message if you would like to participate in creating your very own Gingerbread house. **LIMITED SPACES AVAILABLE**

Traditional Gingerbread House - \$50.00 each

Which gives you everything you need to create a beautiful finished product - 300g lollies, Icing figurine, Icing, Merry Christmas plaque, 2 pieces gingerbread, Cello bag, Piping bag, Board, 500g royal icing, Snow sugar

Gingerbread pieces kit - \$33.00 each

Includes 4 pieces of Christmas gingerbread shapes covered in white fondant with pattern impressed for ease of painting with small tub edible glue, sprinkles, paint brush, paint strip

Sugar Cookie pieces kit - \$33.00 each

Includes sugar cookies pieces covered white fondant including small tub edible glue, sprinkles, paint brush, paint strip



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/>

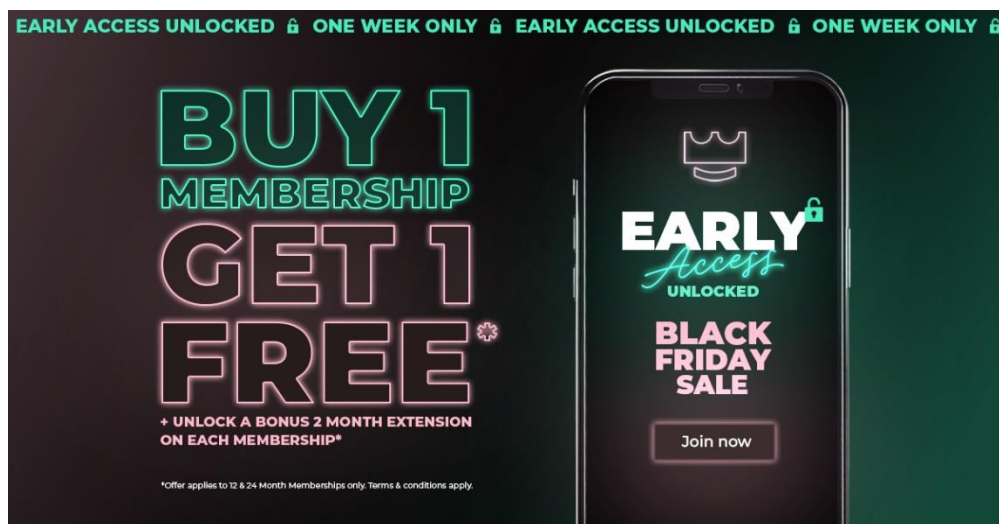
THPS Parents & Friends Community Facebook page

Please join the THPS closed Facebook group by clicking this link [THPS FACEBOOK GROUP](#) or search for THPS Parents & Friends Community and answering the questions asked.

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

Promotion Offer: Buy 1 Membership, Get 1 Membership Free (+ bonus 2 month Membership Extension)

Promotion Dates: 6 pm, Tuesday 14th November – Midday, Monday 20th November



\$13 from each Membership purchased is donated to our school.

COMMUNITY NEWS

Parish of St. Gregory-the-Great



Catholic children who attend our Templestowe Heights Primary School are invited by St Gregory the Great Parish, Doncaster to participate in programs to prepare for the Sacraments of Reconciliation, Holy Communion and Confirmation. Could parents please contact the parish office on 9412 8425 or by email on DoncasterR E@cam.org.au.

The programs will be conducted by Margaret O'Donnell on Tuesdays after school.

There will be an information evening on Tuesday, 20th February at 5pm in St Gregory's Parish

Room.

Thank you, in advance, for this kindness to our parish and to parishioners who may attend your school.

AUDITION for the Australian Youth Choir 2024.



Enrolments for 2024 are now open
to boys and girls from 8 years of age.

An opportunity to develop:

- singing
- musicianship; choral repertoire
- confidence
- self-esteem
- new friendships



Weekly rehearsals in Canterbury during
school Term with concerts included in the
year.

AUDITION NOW FOR 2024

Appointments are available throughout
December by contacting us on:

EMAIL: office2@nivpaa.com.au

CALL: 98362877 (leave a message for a return call)

Est. 1975, the Australian Youth Choir is a division of National Institute of Youth
Performing Arts Australia (NIYPAA) ABN 28 007 124 629



JOIN THE FUN!

NAB AFL Auskick is for everyone and is one
of the best, first experiences for kids aged 5-12,
wanting to learn all about Australian Football.

Find your closest centre today.



play.afl/auskick

COMMUNITY EVENT CHOOSING THE RIGHT PET



Join us for an evening with Dr.
Kevin Foster – Founder of Vets in
Melbourne

Presented by Friends of Manningham Dogs & Cats
Monday 27 November at 7.30 pm
53-55 Aranga Crescent, Donvale

SUPPER PROVIDED
BOOKINGS ESSENTIAL via Try
Booking.com/CLOZL or email
fomdacmanningham@gmail.com

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Hey kids, for years Tom Gleeson has been challenging adults to **HARD** questions on **HARD QUIZ**.

This time, the kids get to have a go!

We're making some special episodes of **HARD QUIZ** - with kids!

So if you'll be in Year 5, 6 or 7 in 2024, have a topic you know more about than *anyone* else, and think you can be a *little* bit cheeky if Tom tries to outsmart you, then why not apply to join the fun of **HARD QUIZ**.

Get your parent or guardian to head to
hardquizkidsauditions.com.au
You'll need an adult with you to fill out the application!

Unfortunately, due to filming restrictions, applications for this series are only open to Victorian residents. Applications close midnight 28 Jan 2024.

Choose your topic, apply now and get ready to play, **HARD!**