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News from Templestowe Heights Primary School



Templestowe Heights Primary School

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Newsletter Term 3 Week 2

Templestowe Heights Primary School Values

Persistence

Courage

Responsibility

"Inspiring learners for life"

Whole School Assembly

Friday 26th July – 2.45pm – Gym All Welcome

PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

Athletics Day

Thankfully the weather held off for our athletics day on Monday. Students jumped, threw, hurdled and ran their hearts out as they competed in a variety of athletic events while representing their School House Sports team. Thank you to Jaime Buccilli and our THPS staff, as well as our volunteer parents and carers for ensuring the day ran smoothly. We will have approximately 60 students representing our school at the district competition on the 29th of August.





Parent/Carer Teacher Discussions

It was hard to find a car park along High Street and all neighbouring streets over the past few days as we held our second parent/carer teacher discussions. These high attendance rates from our families demonstrate the importance our community places on the home-school partnership. Thank you to all our parents and carers for attending, and for the continual support you provide that makes our roles so rewarding.

Welcome Aiden

We would like to welcome Aiden (6CS) to THPS. You have settled in well to school life and it is pleasing to see you already achieving success with your learning.

Student Voice Leaders

This week classrooms have held elections for our second semester Junior School Councillor and Environmental Leader positions. Congratulations to the following students who will receive their badges at our whole school assembly tomorrow:

Grade	JSC	Enviro	Grade	JSC	Enviro
FEV	Sophie	Olivia	2SC	Alisha	Erin
FJR	Catherine	Jeremy	3EJ	Ben	Madison
FKD	Ellie	Imogen	ЗJA	TBA	Cecilia
FRH	Theodore	Cassie	3MR	Kit	Lachlan
FSM	William	Teddy	4BG	Alba	Milana
1AS	Charlotte	Andrew	4RR	Arlo	Ollie
1PC	Max	Ethan	4SM	Ariana	Susanna
1RR	Elijah	Emerick	5BW	lsis	Annabelle
1SJ	Vanya	Klara	5KW	Shalok	Tilly
2EZ	Luis	Oscar	5LS	Lheveenaa	Arya
2NS	Dion	Belle			

NAPLAN Results

This week all students across Australia in year 3 and 5 received their *National Assessment Program – Literacy and Numeracy* (NAPLAN) test results. Overall results demonstrate that when compared to similar schools, our students are achieving significantly higher achievement. Whilst we are so proud of all our students for giving their best efforts, this is also a reflection of the exemplary curriculum and teaching practices we have established at THPS. We also recognise these test results are snapshot of a moment in time and that to become a successful citizen in this world requires so much more than academic excellence.

Pupil-Free Day – 12th August

As a reminder we are having a pupil-free day on Monday 12th August. On this day the school will be closed while teachers undertake professional learning focused on our new maths curriculum. *TheirCare* will be running a holiday program on this day.

Olympics Celebration

Excitingly the 2024 Olympic Games commence this Friday. Due to the synthetic grass area being out of action, we are unable to host a whole-school event. However, we will be planning a small event that celebrates the Olympic creed of *Excellence, Respect* and *Friendship* as well as recognising the rich cultures all competing countries hold.

Rhys Coulson

Principal

CALENDAR OF EVENTS 2024					
Term 3 2024					
Friday 26 th July	Whole School Assembly- 2.45 - Gym				
Wednesday 31 st July	JSC and Environmenta Leader Photos				
Friday 2 nd August	Whole School Disco - 6.30pm				
Monday 5 th August	Year 2 Online Safety Workshop				
Tuesday 6 th August	Year 5 Living and Growing Program				
Friday 9 th August	Year 1 Melbourne Museum Excursion				
	Foundation Wildlife Xposure Incursion				
	Year 6 Living and Growing Program				
Saturday 10 th August	Parents & Friends Adults Only Social Event (10 Pin Bowling)				
Monday 12 th August	PUPIL FREE DAY				
Friday 16 th August	Whole School Assembly- 2.45 - Gym				
Tuesday 13 th August	Year 5 Living and Growing Program				
	Downball Tournament (selected year 3 to 6 nstudents)				
Friday 16 th August	Year 6 Living and Growing Program				
Tuesday 20 th August	Year 5 Living and Growing Program				
Wednesday 21 st August	School Council Meeting 7pm				
Friday 23 rd August	Year 6 Living and Growing Program				
Thursday 29 th August	District Athletics				
Friday 30 th August	Father's Day Sweet Treat/Hot drink and Father's Day Stall				
Friday 6 th September	Whole School Assembly- 2.45 - Gym				
Friday 20 th September	End of Term 3 Students dismissed at 2.30pm				
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Monday 4th November 2024 TERM DATES Ends Friday 20th September Term 3 Monday 7th October – Friday 20th December Term 4

FROM THE OFFICE

Payments

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Year 2 Online safety – \$13.00 due Monday 29th July Whole school disco - \$5 due Tuesday 30th July Year 1 Melbourne museum - \$20 due Friday 2nd August Foundation Wildlife incursion - \$16 due Friday 2nd August

Foundation 2025 Enrolments

Enrolments for Foundation 2025 close on Friday 26th July. If you are an existing family with a younger **sibling**, please contact the office to collect an enrolment form.

2024 PARENT / CAREGIVER / GUARDIAN OPINION SURVEY

WE WANT OUR PARENTS / CAREGIVERS / GUARDIANS TO TELL US WHAT THEY THINK!

Our school is conducting a survey to find out what parents / caregivers / guardians think of our school. The Parent / Caregiver / Guardian Opinion Survey is an annual survey offered by the Department of Education that is designed to assist schools in gaining an understanding of families' perceptions of school climate, student behavior, and student engagement. The survey is optional but we encourage all families to participate. Our school will use the survey results to help inform and direct future school planning and improvement strategies. A random sample of approximately 30 per cent of parents / caregivers / guardians has been selected to participate in this year's survey

The Parent / Caregiver / Guardian Opinion Survey will be open from Monday 29th July to Friday 30th August 2024.

Families selected to participate in the survey were emailed an invitation via Compass today.

The survey will be conducted **online**, only takes **20 minutes** to complete, and can be accessed at any convenient time within the survey period on desktop computers, laptops, tablets or smartphones. The online survey will be available in English and 10 other languages including Arabic, Greek, Hakha Chin, Hindi, Japanese, Punjabi, Simplified Chinese, Somali, Turkish, and Vietnamese.

Survey results will be communicated to parents/caregivers/guardians via the school's annual report to the community Last year we used the survey results to plan our return to face to face teaching and develop our new English curriculum. Please contact the office if you would like more information.





Welcome back everyone!! Please mark these dates in your calendar!!

THPS SCHOOL DISCO Friday the 2nd of August 6:30-8pm

Bring your disco moves!! This year our little rockers can have their face painted with Glow and the Dark Face Paint if they wish! (Non-tonic and washable of course).

\$5 per child. Permission slips will go home this week.

Also, if you're keen for a boogie yourself and want to join in the fun as a volunteer, please let us know!

THP\$ SOCIAL EVENT BOWLING Saturday 10 August 7:30 PM - 9:30 PM

@ Zone Bowling Forest Hill // 2 games of Bowling \$28 per person with food & beverages available for purchase via QR Code from your bowling lane.

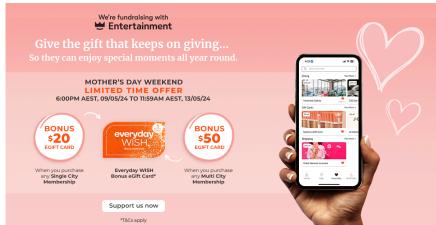
Set up for teams of 6, however, please don't worry if you don't have 6 people, we will look at joining teams together if needed.

Bookings can now be made: https://www.trybooking.com/CTDBF

Pancake Parlour School Rewards is BACK! Help support THPS with PANCAKES!!!

Simply download The Pancake Parlour app, follow the prompts to join the school rewards program Or click on this link <u>https://www.pancakeparlour.com.au/school-rewards-join-anexisting-school</u>

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



Entertainment book – THPS - Entertainment link

THPS Parents & Friends Community Facebook page



Don't forget to join the THPS Parents & Friends closed Facebook group by scanning the QR Code or by searching for the THPS Parents & Friends Community group. The joining process includes a few simple questions to answer.

The Facebook group is a great way to stay up to date with all that is happening socially at school.

Working With Children Check (WWCC)

A WWCC can be applied for free of charge by scanning the QR Code or online at <u>https://wwcv.auspost.com.au/</u>

A_current WWCC is essential, and a copy will need to be supplied to the office





Parents and Friends Team

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