

Our News



Templestowe Heights
Primary School

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News from Templestowe Heights Primary School

Newsletter Term 4 Week 6

14th November 2024

Templestowe Heights Primary School Values

Persistence

Respect

Courage

Responsibility

“Inspiring learners for life”

Friday 15th November

Whole School Assembly 2.45pm Gym (All Welcome)

PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

Circus Performance

On Friday all our students in Foundation through to Year 2 performed a variety of circus skills in front of their families and friends. It was an impressive display and the students had an exciting time standing up on stage to juggle, wiggle, jump, skip and hop around.



Science Works Excursion

Our year 4 students made the trip over the West Gate bridge on Friday to attend Science Works. The purpose of the excursion was to learn more about their science topic *States of Matter*. Thank you to Renee Roomans, Steph McNabb, Julie Gibbs and Navaara Matherson for making the experience such a successful time.

Remembrance Day

On Monday we held a minute's silence and played the Last Post to commemorate Remembrance Day. Throughout the past week our student voice leaders have been selling poppies, with all proceeds going to the Templestowe RSL.

Save the Date – Thursday 5th December

On Thursday 5th December from 6.00pm we will be hosting our annual Carols event. This is a time to get the community together and celebrate 2024. The year really has flown by, so we encourage families to come along with a picnic rug, dinner, drinks and nibbles and enjoy watching our children sing a class song. Soft drinks and icy poles will be on sale from our *Parents & Friends* and there may even be a special visit from a man in a red suit and long white beard.

Mr Veal – The Man, The Myth, The...Clown

We continue to reminisce and reflect on our beloved Andrew Veal as he has only five weeks left as Assistant Principal at THPS. In a recent interview he blankly refused to do but was finally encouraged to respond, here is a little bit more information to get know him:

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| Interests: tinkering around the home with some renovation or watching sport | Favourite Place to visit: Ocean Grove |
| Favourite Food: Chinese take away | Job if he wasn't a teacher: Architect |
| Favourite Drink: tea, lemonade or strawberry milkshake (he doesn't drink alcohol or coffee) | Dream Car: E-Jaguar (1970) |
| Favourite movie: Mad Max Fury Road | Favourite clothing brand: Hugo Boss |
| Favourite time of the year: Christmas | Favourite thing to do: Spend time with family |
| Favourite staff member to annoy: Everyone is fair game in his eyes | Shop he visits the most: Bunnings |
| | Bad Habit: Spending too much money at Bunnings |



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. Nominations close Monday 25th November. More information and the nomination form is attached to this Compass message.

Rhys Coulson

Principal

| CALENDAR OF EVENTS 2024 | |
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| Term 4 2024 | |
| Friday 15th November | Whole School Assembly 2.45pm Gym (All Welcome) |
| Tuesday 19th November | Year 1 Light and Sound Incursion |
| Wednesday 20th November | Year 2 Melbourne Zoo Excursion |
| Thursday 21st November | JSC Colours of the Rainbow Day Gold Coin Donation for the Amaze Foundation |
| Wednesday 25th November | Year 3 Force and Motion Incursion Colin Corstorphin Nominations Close |
| Mon 25th to Fri 29th November | Year 5 and 6 Swimming Program |
| Mon 2nd to Fri 6th December | Year 3, 4 and Foundation Swimming Program |
| Thursday 5th December | Christmas Carols Evening – from 6pm |
| Friday 6th December | Year 5 Immigration Museum Excursion Whole School Assembly Gym – 2.45pm (All Welcome) |
| Mon 9th to Fri 13th December | Year 1 and 2 Swimming Program |
| Tuesday 10th December | Whole School Transition 2.30pm to 3.30pm |
| Tuesday 17th December | Whole School Transition 11.30am to 12.30pm |
| Wednesday 18th December | Year 6 Big Day Out |
| Thursday 19th December | Graduation Rehearsal and Lunch – Students Only Graduation Ceremony in the Evening – Families Welcome |
| Friday 20th December | Last day of Term 4 – Students Dismissed 1.30pm |
| 2024 TERM DATES | |
| Term 4 | Ends – Friday 20th December 1.30pm Dismissal |

2025 TERM DATES

Term 1 - Thursday 30th January to Friday 4th April

Term - 2 Tuesday 22nd April to Friday 4th July

Term 3 - Monday 21st July to Friday 19th September

Term 4 - Monday 6th October to Friday 19th December

FROM THE OFFICE

Parent and carer School Saving Bonus code distribution

The Victorian Government is delivering the School Saving Bonus – a one-off \$400 support for government school students from Prep to Year 12 in 2025.

From **Tuesday 26 November 2024**, you will receive an email from the Department of Education with your unique \$400 School Saving Bonus code.

The School Saving Bonus will help families cover the cost of uniforms, textbooks, excursions, activities and more.

If you have multiple children enrolled in Victorian government schools for 2025, you will receive one School Saving Bonus code email per child. These emails might arrive on different days. Please make sure to check your spam/junk email folder.

Parents and carers can use the School Saving Bonus code in store at school-nominated suppliers. Parents and carers can also choose to access the School Saving Bonus online system, where they can allocate part or all the \$400 bonus to use at school nominated-online suppliers or for school activities. To learn more about the School Saving Bonus, visit School Saving Bonus | vic.gov.au (www.vic.gov.au). A step-by-step user guide will be available on the webpage on 26 November.

If you have not received your School Saving Bonus code via email by Friday 29 November, please contact the Department of Education by emailing school.saving.bonus@education.vic.gov.au

Payments due.

Year 3- 6 Swimming due Friday 15th November

Foundation and Year 2 Swimming due Friday 22nd November

Second Hand Uniform Shop

Our second-hand uniform shop is open for business every afternoon from 3pm to 3.45pm. All tops and dresses \$5, all bottoms \$2, School bags, hats and satchels \$5.

Donations welcome Please bring them to the school office.

JSC NEWS



Thank you to everyone who purchased Remembrance Day merchandise in the last few weeks. Our school was able to raise a total of \$530.30 for the Poppy Appeal.

Colours Of The Rainbow Dress Up Day



Next Thursday 21st November will be our 'Colours of the Rainbow' dress up day. We can't wait to see everyone's bright colours! Students can wear clothes in one or many colours of the rainbow, or might choose to wear clothing with rainbows on them. We ask that students bring a gold coin donation on this day, with money raised to be donated to Amaze Australia, an organisation working to create an autism-inclusive Australia by building awareness in the community and supporting autistic individuals and their families.

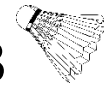


Doncare Christmas appeal

Our final JSC event for 2024 will be participating in the Doncare Christmas Appeal. For this, families are invited to bring a gift donation for a child or teen to open on Christmas Day, or alternatively a monetary donation can be given which is used to purchase vouchers for parents and carers. More information will be released in the coming weeks so keep an eye out around the school and in the newsletter.



BADMINTON CLUB



Every Tuesday lunchtime in Term 4, Grade 5/6 students are invited to join Badminton Club in the gym. We have had a fantastic turnout so far, with students playing mini doubles games, showing wonderful THPS sportsmanship and giving it their best go. Thanks to Mr Toogood for joining me in playing Seb L and Ian this week!



HOOP TIME



The girls 3/4 junior all stars team made state this afternoon. They won all five games by a convincing margin at the hoop time regional comp today. Well done team!



Term 4 Events:

Next Up: Carols Night – Thursday 5th December 5pm to 8pm

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 <https://wwcv.auspost.com.au/>

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

Lauren & Elisa



COMMUNITY NEWS

TC Spring Market

Waste wise event

FRIDAY 22ND NOVEMBER

Time: 4pm-7pm

What we have to offer!

LIVE MUSIC
henna tattoos, face painting, chocolate toss, sponge throw, basketball shoot out, a 'best dog' competition and biscuit decorating.

Come along to experience fun activities and try delicious food, don't forget to bring money to support the TC students! Open for anyone to come along!

CASH AND EFTPOS AVAILABLE