

Our News



Templestowe Heights
Primary School

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News from Templestowe Heights Primary School

Newsletter Term 1 Week 3

13th February 2025

Templestowe Heights Primary School Values

Persistence

Respect

Courage

Responsibility

“Inspiring learners for life”

Thursday 13th February - Foundation Parent/Carer Information Evening 6.30pm

Friday 14th February – House Swimming Sports Year 3 to 6

School Photos Monday 17th and Tuesday 18th February



PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

Welcome New Staff

We would like to welcome Ben Hockley and Jane Byrne as our newest members of our Education Support Team. Both Ben and Jane has fitted in so easily and have already made strong connections to the children that they support.



Parent/Carer Teacher Discussions

On Monday (24th), Tuesday (25th) and Wednesday (26th February) we will be holding our semester 1 parent/carers teacher discussions. The purpose is to allow parents and carers with an opportunity to meet their child's 2025 classroom teachers and to provide feedback as to how they are settling into a new school year. During these times, our specialist teachers will have their learning spaces open for parents and carers to come along and meet their child's Art, PE, Italian, Library and STEM teacher and learn more about their programs.

Bookings to make a time with your child's teacher will go live at 4:30pm today via Compass.

Swimming Carnival

Tomorrow all students in years 3-6 will be walking to Aquarena Swimming pools to participate in our annual swimming carnival. Students are able to compete in 50m swimming events with the aspiration of making the school swimming team that will compete in the District competition. There is also an opportunity for all students to participate in an open pool fun time. Students are reminded to bring a snack, water bottle, towel, thongs, underwear and their school hats A huge thank you to Jaime Buccilli who has spent sleepless nights busily preparing for what will be a great event.

Sub-School Assemblies

This Friday we start our 3-week assembly cycle with our year 1-2 and year 3-6 assemblies. All our year 6 captains have been excitedly preparing their speeches under the guidance of Mrs Shalders.

Solving the Un-Solvable

During our lunchtime STEM Club, Thomas (1KD) has done something no-one has ever been able to do...he solved the unsolvable sphere cube. This challenge has been at THPS for many years now, and not even Mr Toogood has been able to do this. An amazing achievement of grit and problem-solving. We are proud of you Thomas!



Rhys Coulson

Principal

CALENDAR OF EVENTS 2025

Term 1 2025

Friday 14 th February	House Swimming Sports Year 3 to 6 – 9.00am to 12.30pm
Monday 17 th February	District Swimming
Monday 17 th February	School Photos – Foundation to Year 3
Tuesday 18 th February	School Photos - Year 4 to 6
Wednesday 19 th February	Year 1 to 6 Parent/Carer Information Evening 6.00pm School Council Meeting 7.30pm
Thursday 20 th February	Interschool Sports Year 5 & 6 (9.00am to 11.00am)
Monday 24 th February	Parent/Teacher Discussions 3.50pm to 5.30pm
Tuesday 25 th February	Parent/Teacher Discussions 3.50pm to 5.30pm
Wednesday 26 th February	Parent/Teacher Discussions 3.50pm to 8.00pm
Thursday 27 th February	Interschool Sports Year 5 & 6 (9.00am to 11.00am)
Friday 28 th February	Whole School Assembly 2.45pm – Gym-Badge Presentation Ceremony
Thursday 6 th March	Interschool Sports Year 5 & 6 (9.00am to 11.00am) Welcome Picnic 5.30pm
Monday 10 th March	Labour Day Public Holiday
Thursday 13 th March	Year 3 Online Safety Incursion Interschool Sports Year 5 & 6 (9.00am to 11.00am)
Wednesday 19 th March	School Council Meeting 7.00pm
Thursday 20 th March	Interschool Sports Year 5 & 6 (9.00am to 11.00am)
Wed 26 th & Fri 28 th March	Year 6 Online Safety Incursion
Wed 26 th to Friday 28 th March	Life Education Year 1 & 2
Thursday 27 th March	Interschool Sports Year 5 & 6 (9.00am to 11.00am)
Thursday 3 rd April	Interschool Sports Year 5 & 6 (9.00am to 11.00am)
Friday 4 th April	Term 1 Ends – 2.30pm

2025 TERM DATES

Term 1	Thursday 30 th January to Friday 4 th April
Term 2	Tuesday 22 nd April to Friday 4 th July
Term 3	Monday 21 st July to Friday 19 th September
Term 4	Monday 6 th October to Friday 19 th December

FROM THE OFFICE

2025 School Fees

2025 school fees are due by Friday 28th February, 2025. Please remember to return the form with your payment. If you require a new form please contact the office.

Family Contact List (Buzz List)

All class rep details have been sent out to families via Compass. If you would like to be included your child's contact list(Buzz list) please ensure you make contact with them.

SCHOOL PHOTOS

Don't forget to order you school photos. School photos will be taking place over 2 days this year, Monday 17th and Tuesday 18th February. Information regarding how to order is below. Orders need to be **placed online** before the cut off date otherwise extra charges may apply.

- Foundation to year 3 photos Monday 17th February
- Year 4 to 6 Tuesday 18th February

Have You Ordered Your School Photos?

Your photo day is: **17/02/2025 & 18/02/2025**



leadingimage.com.au

Templestowe Heights Primary School

DON'T MISS OUT!

To order your school photos:

1. Go to www.leadingimage.com.au
2. Click on Order Your School Photos
3. Enter your Access Key

! Individual & family photos can be ordered with the same access key. Family photographs must be ordered **before 4:30pm the night before photo day**. Please ensure your orders are placed before this time.

Access key: **AP68DBH7**



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Scan to order!



LEADING
IMAGE School Photos

SCHOOL PERMISSIONS

Local Walking Permission

From time-to-time students take part in local walking excursions in the neighbourhood under the supervision of our staff. **All families are invited to provide consent** for this via the Events tab in their Compass account. This permission is due by Friday 28th February and is renewed annually.

Digital Technology Acceptable Use Agreement

Students use the internet and digital technologies at school as a teaching and learning tool. These are used as valuable resources but acknowledge they must be used responsibly. **New families to the school will receive a Compass notification** inviting you to complete the permission in the events tab. For existing families your permission was given on the enrolment form and will carry over for the duration that your child will be at our school. This permission is due by Friday 28th February.

Photo Permission

There are occasions during the school year when staff photograph, film or record students participating in school activities or events. **New families to the school will receive a Compass notification** inviting you to complete the permission in the events tab. For existing families your permission was given or withheld on the enrolment form and will carry over for the duration that your child will be at our school. This permission is due by Friday 28th February.

VOLUNTEERS AND VISITORS TO THE SCHOOL (WWC)

All parents and carers wishing to visit or volunteer at the school need to hold a valid Working With Children Check (WWC). This can be done online at <https://www.workingwithchildren.vic.gov.au>. Once you have received your card please present it to the office.

LIBRARY NEWS

Our library has had an amazing small transformation with new tables, and an expanded non-fiction section. Our Library Captains, Freddy and Chloe have been busy learning how to loan and return books to students. Classes are enjoying visiting the library, exploring the collection and reading at the new tables.

Parent/Carer Helpers Required

Any parents or carers who would like to volunteer some time to assist with small library tasks such as covering books, would be greatly appreciated. Please visit Susan Bannister in the library before or after school or leave your contact details with the front reception staff.

The Library will be open every Mondays during the second half of lunchtime



Susan Bannister
Teacher Librarian



BASKETBALL NEWS



GRADE 3/4 GIRLS NEEDED!

Grade 3/4 girls are needed to fill spots in a team!! If you have a daughter that would be interested in joining, please register using the link:

<https://www.trybooking.com/CXME0>

Grade 3/4 girls play Thursday afternoons.

For more information, please email Natalie & Kate

thpsbasketball@gmail.com

GO HEIGHTS!!!

COMMUNITY NEWS

AUDITION for the Australian Youth Choir 2025.



Enrolments for 2025 are now open to boys and girls from 9 years of age.



An opportunity to develop:

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



Weekly rehearsals in Canterbury during school Term with performance opportunities during the year.

AUDITION NOW FOR 2025

Appointments are available by contacting us:

EMAIL: office2@niypaa.com.au

Boys and Girls singing together since 1975

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

Access Psychological Treatment and Assessments

Elysium Psychology

Meet
Katrine Anthoulas
Provisional Psychologist



What can therapy help with?

- Social anxiety
- Academic stress
- Bullying
- Body image
- Mood disorders
- Learning difficulties
- Emotional Regulation
- Sleep difficulty
- ASD
- ADHD

How can I access this service?

Katrine will be working on-site every Wednesday from Week 2, Term 1, 2025

Sessions are 50 minutes.
MHCP required - no gap fee
NDIS Fees may apply

Contact us today:

Templestowe Heights Primary
Rhys.Coulson@education.vic.gov.au
Tel: (03) 9850 1796

or

Elysium Psychology
katrine@elysiumpsychology.com.au
Ph. 0491709555



Little Kev's Playgroup



St Kevin's Parish Playgroup

Every Monday during School Term

8.30 am – 11 am. Begins Monday 10 February

26-44 Herlihys Road, Lower Templestowe. In the church gathering space.



For ages 0-5 years – Registration required – \$5 entry

Connect with other parents and bring your little one for nursery rhymes, sensory play, books and more.



CONTACT

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