



Our News



Templestowe Heights
Primary School

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News from Templestowe Heights Primary School

Newsletter Term 1 Week 7

13th March 2025

Templestowe Heights Primary School Values

Persistence

Respect

Courage

Responsibility

“Inspiring learners for life”

PRINCIPAL’S REPORT

Welcome Picnic

It was great to see so many faces at our annual *Welcome Picnic* community event, held last Thursday. The *Parents & Friends* did an outstanding job of selling icy poles and drinks to compensate for the warm weather. The jumping castle provided an outlet for the younger children, but for all, it was a terrific opportunity to catch up in a relaxed atmosphere. Full marks go yet again to the families who wheeled their portable BBQ up High St and onto the oval. I know some other families are now keen to do this at the end of year Carols event!



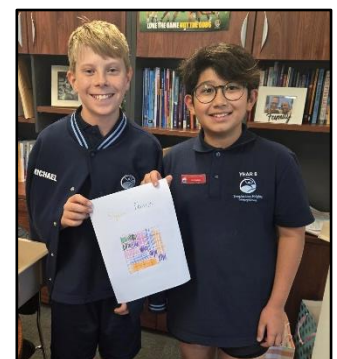
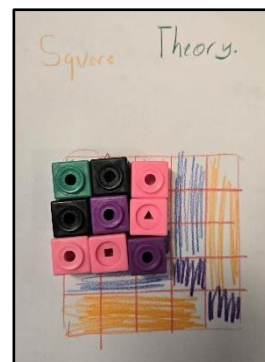
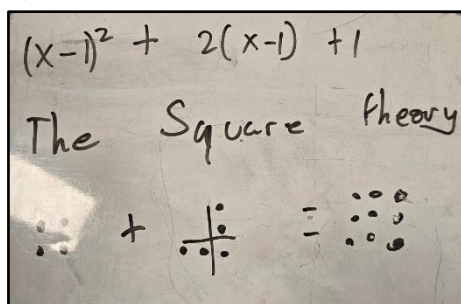
Well Done Elvis and Jayden!

Congratulations to Elvis (6SM), Jayden (5SP) and Chantelle (5KW) for representing THPS at the recent Tennis District round robin. There was plenty of base line rallies, serve and volleys, and terrific sportsmanship. Elvis came second overall, a tremendous achievement.



Mathematics in Action

Recently I had a visit from year 6 students Michael and Ludwin who excitedly shared their newfound mathematical theorem. The “Square Theory” was robustly tested by Michael and Ludwin, who were able to use their established formula to calculate any square number based on their devised calculation. A truly remarkable feat, we are so impressed with your persistence



Parents & Friends Meeting – Tomorrow

Tomorrow morning at 9:15am we will be hosting our first *Parents and Friends* meeting for 2025 in the staffroom. All parents and carers are welcome to attend, as well as our class reps. We will discuss upcoming school community events and will be able to answer any questions you may have.

National Assessment Program – Literacy and Numeracy (NAPLAN)



All students in year 3 and 5 have commenced the annual, standardised NAPLAN tests. These four tests (writing, reading, language conventions and numeracy) provide a snapshot in time of where our students’ knowledge of core academic competencies are in relation to all other children in Australia. As we continually mention, we are so proud of all our students for giving it their best efforts, that’s all we ever ask.

Rhys Coulson

Principal

CALENDAR OF EVENTS 2025

Term 1 2025

Friday 14 th March	Class Representative and Volunteers Meeting 9.15am All Welcome – Staffroom Foundation Police Incursion NAPLAN- Reading	
Monday 17 th March	Foundation Firefighter Incursion NAPLAN – Conventions of Language	
Tuesday 18 th March	NAPLAN - Numeracy	
Wednesday 19 th March	School Council Meeting 7.00pm	
Thursday 20 th March	Interschool Sports Year 5 & 6 (9.00am to 11.00am) Year 4 Incursion BioEYES+Australia	
Wednesday 26 th March	JSC Character Dress Up Day	
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	Year 5 Wheelchair Basketball Incursion	
Friday 28 th March	Whole School Assembly – Gym 2.45pm Starting School Certificate Presentation for Foundation Students	
Thursday 3 rd April	Interschool Sports Year 5 & 6 (9.00am to 11.00am)	
Friday 4 th April	Whole School Assembly – 1.30pm – Gym Easter Raffle Drawn Term 1 Ends – 2.30pm	

Term 2

Tuesday 22 nd April	Term 2 Begins	
Friday 25 th April	ANZAC DAY Public Holiday	
Monday 5 th May	Year 3 to 6 Cross Country 1.50pm to 3.30pm	
Tuesday 13 th May	District Cross Country	
Monday 23 rd to Wed 25 th June	Year 3 & 4 Camp – Mt Evelyn	

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

Payments Due

Year 1 & 2 Life Education due Wednesday 19th March

Year 6 Online safety due Wednesday 19th March.

JSC NEWS



Our very first JSC event of the year will be a Character Dress Up Day on Wednesday 26th of March! Students are invited to come dressed as someone from a movie, TV show, cartoon or video game on this day. We ask that they bring a gold coin donation which will be donated to State Schools Relief.

SCHOOL CROSSING

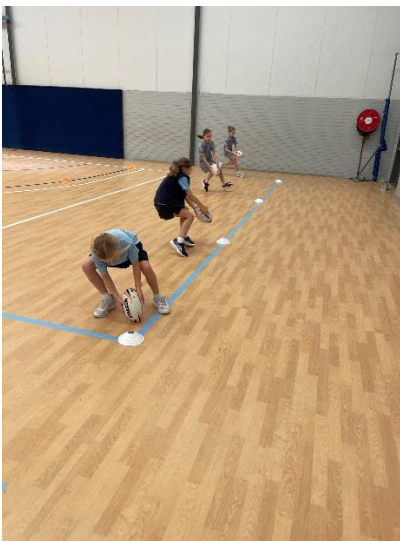


The school crossing is the safest place for children and adults to cross the road. It is important when arriving and leaving school that children and adults always use the school crossing. Setting a good example for our children helps ensure the safety of everyone around our school.

PE NEWS - RUGBY CLINICS!

For the past three weeks, the Gr 4-6 students have been participating in Rugby clinics run by NRL Victoria. Students learnt how to score a try, play the ball, pass the ball backwards to their teammates, and played tag rugby games (no tackling!). As always, I am so proud of these THPS students for coming into these clinics with enthusiasm, a positive mindset and a willingness to try new skills and activities!

Jaime Buccilli 😊





The Welcome Picnic was a great success with so many families joining us for the evening. We hope you all had as wonderful evening as we did.

A huge thank you to **Frozt** for donating 300 of their delicious popsicles which were an absolute hit! Anyone wishing to purchase these can do so directly via their website <https://www.frozt.co/>

A very special thank you to **Libby, Jason, Lawson and Wesley, Zen and Christoph, Louise, Belinda, Miranda, Michelle, and Erik** – Thank you for volunteering your time, we couldn't have done it without you! It was especially great to have so many dads' assisting this time, it definitely gave the stall an added boost.

Parents Representative & Volunteers Meeting

A reminder to everyone that P&F are hosting our Parents Representative & Volunteers Meeting this coming Friday the 14th March @ 9:15-10am in the staff room. Morning tea will be provided. It is such a great opportunity to meet each other. Thank you to those who have already rsvp'd. If you would like to join us for a cuppa and a treat, please do let us know for catering purposes via an email to thpspaf@gmail.com

Easter Raffle & donations – DONATIONS NEEDED FOR THE HAMPERS

The highly anticipated annual Easter Raffle will be drawn on the final assembly of term 1 on Friday 4 April. Families can donate items to be included in the raffle hampers. Please bring donations into the office from Monday 17th March until Friday 28th March. Please check ingredients and ensure all items are NUT FREE. Any Easter themed items welcome – eggs, bags/baskets, easter craft & colouring books, easter trinkets. Raffle tickets will be available shortly to purchase online.



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

Parents and Friends Team



THEIRCARE NEWSLETTER



● ● ● **MARCH 2025** ● ● ●

Hello TheirCare families, we hope you had a lovely long weekend! We are so beyond appreciative of all the new TheirCare attendees that have joined us this year, and to all children returning to our service.

A reminder to all parents that our Holiday Program is now officially open for bookings and is booking out very quickly! If a session has booked out, we do currently have the wait list option available and you will be notified as soon as your child can be added. Please note that this unfortunately does not guarantee your child will be able to attend.

Additionally, we do have a number of hot days approaching. Sunscreen is available to all children, however, it is up to the responsibility of the child to ensure they have a spare hat for outside play. This does not have to be a THPS hat, it could be any you have at home.

OUR FEBRUARY IN PHOTOS -



Our surprise visitor, Ally, is a former TheirCare educator and is now a Prep Teacher. We wish you all the best in your teaching career!

OUR COOL CREATORS WEEK PHOTO HIGHLIGHT!



TC TUCKER SUCCESS - OREO SUSHI



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EXTRA-CURRICULAR CLUBS

Monday Lunchtime	STEM Club Prep - 2	LEGO Club 3 - 6	Library Open
Tuesday Lunchtime	STEM Club 3 - 6	LEGO Club Prep - 2	
Friday Lunchtime	Garden Club	Remote control Car Club	

COMMUNITY NEWS



**KINDERGARTEN
OPEN DAY**

**MAY 3RD
9AM - 12PM**

MEET THE EDUCATORS
TOUR THE FACILITY
ENROL FOR 2026

BOOK A TOUR 39 MAYFAIR AVE, TEMPLESTOWE LOWER

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Eltham
High School

OPEN EVENING

Wednesday 2nd April, 2025

5.30pm

- Student led tours
- Interactive student activities
- Catering by our VET Hospitality students
- Engage with teachers from key learning areas

7.00pm

- Information session
- Enrolment processes
- Hear from our principal, Vincent Sicari



FURTHER INFORMATION
www.elthamhs.vic.gov.au

BOOKINGS REQUIRED



www.trybooking.com/CZADK

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OPEN DAY

SUNDAY 30th MARCH 2025
10am - 12pm
92 ROCKLEA ROAD, BULLEEN

* MEET THE EDUCATORS * EXPLORE THE KINDER * FUN ACTIVITIES *

2026 ENROLMENTS NOW OPEN

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NATIVE PLANT & BOOK SALE

12th April 10am - 3pm

Eltham Community & Reception
Centre
801 Main Road, Eltham

Organised by Australian Plants Society Yarra Yarra Group
Inc. No. A0039676Y

The place to be these holidays!

TheirCare
Where Kids love to be!

presents

MAD FUN

AUTUMN Holiday Festival

featuring... YOU!



A Minecraft Movie



Bubble - O - Fun



Talent Spectacular



Super Silent Disco

Book now at theircare.com.au

Save up to 90% with the Child Care Subsidy

Holiday Program Important Information!

What to bring

- A healthy morning tea and lunch
- A labelled drink bottle for water
- Suitable clothing for an active day – closed toe shoes and jacket if wet/cold
- SunSmart hat for Spring and Summer holidays
- Medical Management Plan & Medication if applicable – see below for details



Don't forget!

- Keep your lunchbox nut-free to keep everyone safe
- Do not include food items that need to be reheated
- Label all items with child's name!
- Bus departure and arrival times are indicative only. For an accurate estimated time of arrival and departure please contact your service directly.



Personal belongings

Electronic devices, money and other valuables should be left at home.

If brought to the service, these items remain the responsibility of the family. TheirCare does not accept responsibility for loss or damage.



TheirCare provides

- Breakfast and afternoon tea snack
- Sunscreen
- Water to refill bottles



Unexpected changes to activities

In the unlikely event that an activity is unable to run, an alternative activity will be provided.

Activities and times are subject to change due to unforeseen circumstances such as severe weather or provider availability. If an alternative cannot be sourced we will update your invoice to reflect this.

General daily advertised activities are subject to change due to unforeseen circumstances, at the discretion of the service coordinator.



Serious stuff!

Medical Management Plan & Medication



All children who have been diagnosed with a medical condition including allergies, food/chemical intolerances, anaphylaxis, asthma, epilepsy will need to provide:

- a completed Medical Management Plan with a colour photo
- necessary medication

Please note it is a legal requirement under the Education & Care National Regulations and the Terms and Conditions for booking that these are provided.

In the interests of child safety, care may be refused on the day should the appropriate documentation or medication or medication not be supplied.

Child Care Subsidy

Please note that subsidised hours are calculated and allocated by Centrelink on a fortnightly basis. Check Centrelink for eligibility.



Fortnightly childcare subsidised hours

Each session is calculated using the full service operational hours, not the hours attended by the child.

Additional Child Care subsidy will not cover any hours beyond the subsidised hours per fortnight.

Refer to TheirCare Holiday Program FAQ
<https://theircare.com.au/holiday-programs/>
for further information and example.

Changes to your booking

Simply log into your account anytime to make the relevant changes or call us between 6:30am – 9:00pm weekdays on 1300 072 410.



Fees for changes to your booking

More than 5 days	Less than 5 days *	On the day
No Charge	\$10.00	Full Fee

*Less than 5 days from the start of the booking (120 hours from the start of the session).

When making additional bookings, the \$10.00 fee is eligible for the Child Care Subsidy, which means you may only need to pay the gap, depending on your families' circumstances.

