

# Our News



Templestowe Heights  
Primary School

9850 1796

News from Templestowe Heights Primary School

**Newsletter Term 2 Week 8**

**12<sup>th</sup> June 2025**

## Templestowe Heights Primary School Values

Persistence

Respect

Courage

Responsibility

"Inspiring learners for life"

## PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

### Weird & Wacky Dress Up Day

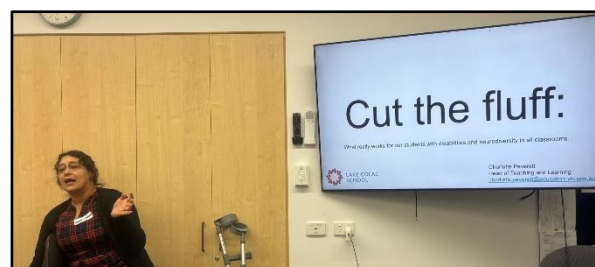
Today we held a Weid & Wacky Dress Up Day that our student voice leaders (JSC and Enviro) organised. It was very fun to see the efforts and creativity our children (or should I say parents and carers!) went to dressing up with their clothes on backwards, faces painted, hair styled that defied gravity, edible hats and funky coloured odd socks. Approximately \$400 was raised from the gold coin donation for the RSPCA.



### Charlotte Peverett Visit

On Tuesday we were fortunate to have Charolette Peverett spend the day at THPS. Charlotte has 20+years in special education, currently as Leader of Teaching & Learning at Lake Colac School. Through Charolette's own diagnosis, she passionately advocates for neurodiverse learners and effective professional learning for all educators. Charolette is also one of four inclusion outreach coaches for the Department of Education. She undertook a learning walk through our school and provided feedback for how we can ensure we are supporting all students. This is in line with our annual strategic plan that is focusing on inclusive practices in all classrooms.

<https://educationhq.com/news/massive-disservice-call-for-autistic-educators-to-reclaim-the-teacher-pd-space-194501/>



## FANT-astic Listening

One of the other aspects of our strategic plan is a focus on engagement routines and practices that ensure; a) a calm & orderly environment and b) maintain attention for learning. In recent weeks, classrooms have been practicing our new engagement norm- *FANT-astic Listening*. It was so impressive at our whole-school assembly on Friday, to witness the students enact this.

# FANTASTIC

*listening - walking - sitting*

**F - Face Forward, Fingers Locked**

**A - Always Strong and Straight**

**N - Never Interrupt**

**T - Track the Speaker**



**Rhys Coulson**  
Principal

CALENDAR OF EVENTS 2025	
Term 2	
Monday 16 <sup>th</sup> June	Year 5 & 6 Living & Growing Program (5KW, 6SM, 6CS)
Tuesday 17 <sup>th</sup> June	Year 5 & 6 Living & Growing Program (6BW, 5LS, 5SP)
Thursday 19 <sup>th</sup> June	Year 5 & 6 Winter Interschool Sports 1pm to 3pm
Monday 23 <sup>rd</sup> June	Year 5 & 6 Living & Growing Program (5KW, 6SM, 6CS)
Monday 23 <sup>rd</sup> to Wed 25 <sup>th</sup> June	Year 3 & 4 Camp – Mt Evelyn
Tuesday 24 <sup>th</sup> June	Year 5 & 6 Living & Growing Program (6BW, 5LS, 5SP) Year 5 Online Safety Incursion 5KW
Friday 27 <sup>th</sup> June	Foundation Myuna Farm Excursion Whole School Assembly (All Welcome)
Monday 30 <sup>th</sup> June	Year 5 Parliament Incursion Year 5 & 6 Living & Growing Program (5KW, 6SM, 6CS)
Tuesday 1 <sup>st</sup> July	Year 5 & 6 Living & Growing Program (6BW, 5LS, 5SP)
Friday 4 <sup>th</sup> July	Last Day of Term 2 – 2.30pm Dismissal
PUPIL FREE DAYS	
Monday 3 <sup>rd</sup> November	
2025 TERM DATES	
Term 2	Ends Friday 4 <sup>th</sup> July
Term 3	Monday 21 <sup>st</sup> July to Friday 19 <sup>th</sup> September
Term 4	Monday 6 <sup>th</sup> October to Friday 19 <sup>th</sup> December

## FROM THE OFFICE

### Payments Due

Foundation Myuna Farm excursion –due 18<sup>th</sup> June

Year 5 Parliament incursion – due 18<sup>th</sup> June

### Foundation 2026 Enrolments

Enrolments for Foundation 2026 **close on Friday 25<sup>th</sup> July**. If you are an existing family with a younger **sibling**, please email the school at [templestowe.heights.ps@education.vic.gov.au](mailto:templestowe.heights.ps@education.vic.gov.au) to request the enrolment link.



## UNWELL CHILDREN AT SCHOOL

With the onset of winter and increasing Covid-19 infections, Influenza and Respiratory Syncytial Virus (RSV) on the rise across the state and in our school, it is important as a school community we all work together to limit the spread of these infections.

Our best line of defence is to please keep your child at home if they are feeling unwell. All students must stay at home for 24hrs after their last vomit or diarrhoea episode.

Your child should not come to school if they have the following symptoms:

Runny nose	Sore throat
Cough	Fever
Chills or sweats	Shortness of breath

Should your child present to sick bay with any of the above symptoms, a phone call will be made to parents/carers to collect your child.

If your child tests positive to Covid-19 it is recommended that they should isolate for at least 5 days and only return to school when there are no symptoms.

Templestowe Heights Primary School will continue to implement practises to reduce the risks of spreading COVID-19 by ensuring air purifiers are in use, external ventilation is maximised, good personal hygiene is encouraged, and face masks continue to be made available for staff, students and visitors who wish to wear them.

Please inform the school if your child is a confirmed case of Covid-19 or Influenza. This can be done via email to [templestowe.heights.ps@education.vic.gov.au](mailto:templestowe.heights.ps@education.vic.gov.au) or by calling the office on 9850 1796.

Please see below links for further useful information:

[Checklist for COVID cases | Coronavirus Victoria - Better Health Channel](#)

[Influenza \(flu\) - Better Health Channel](#)

[Kids Health Information : Respiratory syncytial virus \(RSV\) \(rch.org.au\)](#)

**Tanya Misquitta**  
**First Aid Officer**



## JSC WACKY DRESS DAY

Thank you to everybody who has brought in donations for the Ajani Food Drive! It is endearing to see how generous our community is. The JSC reps were astounded at how many donations we've received and Ajani are very grateful. Tomorrow is the final day of collection.



## ROTARY PRIMARY SCHOOL SPEECH COMPETITION

This week nine students from Year 5 and 6 presented speeches to their peers and as a result two were chosen to represent THPS at the Rotary Primary School Speech Competition being held next week. Congratulations to Lachlan O (5KW) and Chloe M (5SP) who will be joining students from six other local schools to present their 3-minute speech. Students were provided with a range of topics and both Chloe and Lachlan chose to speak on the topic "What is more important - intelligence or curiosity?"

We wish them both good luck. If you would like to support them, the event is being held in the Performance & Presentation Centre at Doncaster Secondary College 123 Church Rd Doncaster on Wednesday June 18<sup>th</sup> from 6.30pm.

## LUNCHTIME CLUBS

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

## BASKETBALL NEWS



### King's Birthday Basketball Tournament

Proudly representing Templestowe Heights Primary School as Team Hurricanes, our girls team emerged as the champions in their grade. Our boys who represented the Bulleen Boomers team also came up as Runners Up. Congratulations and well done to everyone who participated!

Some of our kids spent the King's Birthday long weekend participating in the Bulleen Boomers U10's King's Birthday Tournament. There were 48 teams coming from as far as Moe, Bendigo, Cranbourne, Frankston, Riddle's Creek, Melton, Altona & Langwarrin. Our players gave their best with great competitive spirit and had a fun weekend.

## AJANI FOOD PANTRY DRIVE

Just a reminder the Ajani Food Drive closes on Friday 13<sup>th</sup> June. We are asking for donations of shelf-stable foods. Any donations can be brought in and dropped off at collection points in the office, Year 3 learning space, Year 1 learning space and Building D.

## COMMUNITY NEWS

