



News from Templestowe Heights Primary School

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Newsletter Term 3 Week 1

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Templestowe Heights Primary School Values

Persistence

Respect

Courage

Responsibility

"Inspiring learners for life"

Welcome Back to Term 3

100 Days of Prep Celebration Assembly Friday 25th July 2.45pm (All Welcome)

PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

Welcome Back!

I hope everyone had an opportunity to have a restful break with some quality family-time. The first day of term always brings with it the sight of the smiles on the faces of the students, excited to be back at school with their friends. Equally as visible are the bigger smiles on the faces of our parents and carers who are even more excited to finally get their children back to routines and structure!



I would like to welcome *Vivienne* (FHA), *Lucy* (1SJ), *Ari* (1RR), *Emma* (3JA) and *Charlotte* (3MR) who commenced their journeys at Templestowe Heights Primary on Monday. We look forward to seeing you all grow as learners, and we have been so impressed at how well you have all settled into the expectations and routines.

This week we also hosted our parent/carer-teacher discussions. These provided an opportunity for our parents and carers to meet with their child's teacher and gain a better understanding of how they are progressing in their learning (social, emotional and academic). We had high numbers of attendance from our families, highlighting how much they value the home-school partnership.

Student Voice Elections

Each semester, every class elects a junior school councillor and environmental leader. These student voice leadership groups meet weekly to represent the views of their class to try and make our school better. Students can nominate themselves and create a speech to present to their class on why they should be elected. Information on the roles of our student voice leaders can be found attached to this newsletter.

NAIDOC Week

This week all students have participated in lessons focusing on NAIDOC Week that took place over the school break. The theme this year is" The Next Generation: Strength, Vision and Legacy", and has allowed students to explore celebrating the stories, histories and cultures of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples.

100 Days of School

Tomorrow will be an exciting occasion as our Foundation students officially celebrate their 100th day of school. Students are encouraged to come dressed celebrating the number 100 and will receive their special certificates at our whole school assembly. Our assembly commences at 2:45pm in the gym, and all members of our community are able to attend.

Rhys Coulson Principal

CALENDAR OF EVENTS 2025				
Term 3				
Friday 25 th July	Foundation 100 Days of School Celebration			
	Whole School Assembly 2.45pm -Gym – All Welcome			
Wednesday 6 th August	Foundation to Year 2 Athletics Carnival (school grounds)			
	Year 3 to 6 Athletics Carnival (Tom Kelly athletics track)			
Friday 8 th August	SCHOOL DISCO 6.30 – 8.00pm			
Tuesday 12 th August	Year 2 Online Safety			
Wednesday 13 th August	Semester 2 JSC/Enviromental Leaders Photo Day			
Friday 15 th August	Foundation Wildlife Incursion			
	Year 3 & 4 Downball Tournament			
	Whole School Assembly – 2.45pm – Gym - All Welcome			
Tuesday 19 th August	Year 2 Manningham Excursion			
Friday 22 nd August	Year 1 Melbourne Museum Excursion			
Tuesday 2 nd September	District Athletics – Selected Students Only			
Wednesday 3 rd September	SCHOOL PRODUCTION rehearsal and performance			
Friday 5 th September	Whole School Assembly – 2.45 pm Gym – All welcome			
Monday 8 th September	Year 3 to 6 Author visit 'Nova Weetman'			
Tuesday 9 th September	Foundation, Year 1 & Year 2 Author Visit 'Lucinda Gifford'			
Wednesday 10 th September	BOOK WEEK – Dress Up Day			
Friday 19 th September	Term 3 Ends 2.30pm Dismissal			
PUPIL FREE DAYS				
Monday 3 rd November				
2025 TERM DATES				
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

Year 3 to 6 Athletics carnival \$17 - due Wednesday 30th July Year 2 Online safety \$13 – due Friday 1st August

Sibling Foundation 2026 Enrolments

If you are an existing family with a younger **sibling**, please email the school at <u>templestowe.heights.ps@education.vic.gov.au</u> to request the enrolment link. Enrolments close tomorrow Friday 25th July

CAR PARK

Just another reminder that the car park is for staff only. Parents and Carers must park on the street at all times even when dropping off and picking up children from Theircare.

Please note that is illegal to perform a U turn using the driveway of the school car park.

For the safety of all our students please do not walk them through the car park.

SCHOOL CROSSING

The school crossing is the safest place for children and carers to cross the road. It is important that 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

FIRST AID UPDATE

Unwell students must stay home.

There are still a quite number of cases of Covid 19 and influenza A and B in the community. If your child presents with cold or flu like symptoms, headaches, sore tummies and is not generally feeling well please keep them home until all symptoms have ceased. Everyone needs to do their bit to keep our community safe.

NAIDOC Week!

This week we celebrated NAIDOC Week across the school. Students engaged in a range of activities that strengthened their knowledge and understanding of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander excellence. This year, we explored the theme of The Next Generation: Strength, Vision and Legacy. In Foundation and Grade 1, students read Our Dreaming and discussed the meaning of NAIDOC. In Grades 2 to 4, students listened to Little Yarns and learnt about the Dreaming creation story of Birrarung (Yarra River), delving deeper into the Woi Wurrung language. In the upper years, Grades 5 and 6 read Our Home Our Heartbeat and wrote character profiles on some prominent First Nations figures. Lastly, each year level completed an Art lesson with the National Portrait Gallery where they examined three artworks depicting Strength, Vision and Legacy.





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	



READY TO DANCE THE NIGHT AWAY? 🞉

The Disco is your kid's ticket to unforgettable, adrenaline-pumping, glow and the dark, dance-party magic. Grab your tickets now and don't miss out on the most fun-filled night of the year!

Friday the 8th of August 6:30-8pm

\$5 per child. All the details are included in the following flyer.

Also, if you're keen for a boogie yourself and want to join in the fun as a volunteer, please let us know via thpspaf@gmail.com. A WWCC is essential.

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/



Elisa and The P&F Team





Friday 8th August 6:30pm-8pm, in the gym.

It's time for the students to put on their dancing shoes, don their disco outfits and hit the dance floor!



Each ticket is \$5. Bring your disco moves!!

Our little rockers can have their face painted with Glow and the Dark Face Paint if they wish! (Non-tonic and washable of course).

Students must bring a named water bottle and to be signed in by an adult on arrival and signed out prior to departure.

No phones or glow sticks permitted. Disco is for THPS students only. Tickets can be paid for using the Trybooking QR code below or via the link.

https://www.trybooking.com/DDCGS

Orders close at 11pm Thursday 7th August, and no ticket sales or payments can be accepted on the night.

Please also disregard the automated tickets Trybooking generates and emails to you, as these tickets are not needed on the night.





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