

# Our News

News from Templestowe Heights Primary School



Templestowe Heights  
Primary School

9850 1796

Newsletter Term 3 Week 3

7<sup>th</sup> August 2025

## *Templestowe Heights Primary School Values*

Persistence

Respect

Courage

Responsibility

"Inspiring learners for life"

**SCHOOL DISCO**

**Friday 8<sup>th</sup> August 6.30pm to 8.00pm SHARP**



## **PRINCIPAL'S REPORT**

### **Student Voice Leaders**

Congratulations to all our students for the courage they displayed in trying out for our student voice leader positions. For two of our students who were elected as junior school councillor, this was the sixth time they had applied. What an amazing example of showing resilience. The following students will receive their badges at our whole school assembly next Friday 15<sup>th</sup> August.

YEAR	JSC	Enviro
FEV	Eli	Eliana
FHA	Chloe	Jayden
FJR	Declan	Elsie
FSM	Adeen	Ben
1AS	Alina	Sienna
1KD	Ossemon	Chanel
1PC	Heli	Helina
1RR	Zade	Reyansh
1SJ	Chad	Oscar
2EZ	Marcello	Adelaide
2LH	Banjo	Eddie
2NS	David	Yana
3EJ	Joanna	Shryeman
3JA	Rory	Caleb
3MR	Isaiah	Ruby
4LZ	Ava	Eliana
4RR	Amelia & Tara	Oliver

4SM	Kabir	Lilly
5KW	Leah	Chantelle
5LS	Lily	Eveleigh
5SP	Elias	Faye

### Athletics Day

Yesterday was not a day of rest, as our students ran, hopped, skipped, jumped, frosbie flopped, threw and putted their way during our year 3-6 and Foundation-2 Athletics day. House pride was on full display as our students chanted and supported one another as they gave it their all. A massive thank you to Jaime Buccilli for her organisation of the 3-6 event, the junior-school teachers for their organisation of the F-2 event, as well as all our staff, parents and carers for helping ensure the students had an enjoyable time.

### School Disco

This Friday our *Parents & Friends* are hosting our annual School Disco. Families need to have purchased tickets through Try Bookings prior to attending ([Click here](#)). The event runs from 6.30-8pm in the gymnasium. Everyone attending must enter through the multi-purpose room. We are looking forward to seeing all the students dancing the night away!

### Welcome Ranya

We would like to welcome Ranya(2LH) to Templestowe Heights Primary community. She made five friends on her first day! We are looking forward to seeing her grow as a learner.

### DSC Italian Students

On Tuesday Doncaster Secondary College's Italian students visited our year 6 students. Please see Senora Velona's piece further along in this newsletter.

### Rhys Coulson

#### Principal

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

## ISSUE 3: FROM SHORT-TERM STRUGGLE TO LONG-TERM LEARNING

Click on the link to read [Issue 1](#) and [Issue 2](#).

At THPS, we define learning as **a change in long-term memory**. We consider learning to be successful when a student can recall and apply something days (or even weeks) after it was first taught.

Understanding something in the moment is only the beginning. For learning to stick, students need to retrieve and revisit that knowledge over time.

We use a range of evidence-informed strategies to support this, including:

- **Retrieval practice** – helping students recall what they've learned, rather than simply recognising it
- **Spaced practice** – revisiting key concepts across days and weeks, not cramming all at once
- **Dual coding** – combining visuals with language to create stronger mental connections

These strategies do two important things :

They protect working memory, and they build long-term storage. That's where deep learning lives.

So if your child comes home saying, "*We've already done this,*" that's not a problem. That's the goal. Every successful retrieval strengthens the learning.

Next week, we'll look at how **explicit instruction** helps bring these strategies together in a way that's clear, structured, and effective for all learners.



## FROM THE OFFICE

### Payments

Foundation Wildlife Xposure incursion - \$19 due Friday 8<sup>th</sup> August

Year 2 Manningham excursion - \$11 due Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> August

Year 1 Melbourne Museum - \$20.50 due Friday 15<sup>th</sup> August

Foundation to Year 5 Art ceramics incursion - \$5.50 due Friday 15<sup>th</sup> August

## SAFETY AT PICK UP AND DROP OFF

We all have busy lives and we all have somewhere else we need to get to. There are no excuses however, for irresponsible or dangerous behaviours when dropping our children off or picking them up. We are all role models to our children and we want them to grow up as adults who take care when crossing roads or when driving.

Some reminders to eliminate dangerous behaviours that could lead to severe consequences:

- We are on a main, busy road and it is so important that parents and carers cross at traffic pedestrian crossings.
- Double parking is illegal and it is dangerous.
- U-turns out the front of the school on High Street are extremely dangerous and illegal.

If you do witness illegal or dangerous behaviours out the front of our school, please contact the Manningham local laws department on 9840 9333 or alternatively please contact the Doncaster police station on 8841 3999.



## SECOND HAND UNIFORM SHOP



The second hand uniform shop is located near the school office and is available to browse most afternoon unless there are meetings in the room.

Official/logo items (jumpers, jackets, dresses, school bags etc) the price is \$5 per piece, and for non-logo items (shorts, skorts, track pants etc) the price is \$2 per piece.

If you have uniform items at home that you no longer require, you can donate them by bringing them to the front office. Please ensure they are clean and in good condition – would you buy the item in its current condition? Please note: we only accept t-shirts, jumpers and jackets with the school logo, not generic items.



# Italian



On Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> August, Year 10 students from Doncaster Secondary college visited the Italian classroom to teach our grade 6 students Italian. They were accompanied by their Italian teacher and a language assistant from Italy. The senior students created Italian lessons and activities to challenge and engage our students. It was a collaborative and positive learning opportunity for all the students. The grade 6 students enjoyed the activities and were grateful for the experience.



## LIBRARY NEWS

Does your child enjoy writing their own creative stories? Book Links - The Centre for Children's Literature, is running a competition for students in Year 4-6. Interested students need to write a short story (500 - 1000 words) on a topic of their choice. The competition closes on 19<sup>th</sup> September. Please see the attached guidelines for entry and further information.

[Children's short story competition](#)



Susan Bannister  
Teacher Librarian

## 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	



# ATHLETICS CARNIVAL 2025

Yesterday all the Grade 3-6 children showed off their amazing athleticism at the Tom Kelly Athletics Track. Whether they won ribbons or not, I am so incredibly proud of their 'give it a go' attitude, their positivity, determination and school spirit. A huge thank you to all the THPS staff and parent/carer volunteers that made the day run so smoothly. I will now be busy collating results to determine our district athletics team who will compete against other schools in early September. Well done everyone on such an amazing day! 😊 Ms Jaime Buccilli











## **ONLY ONE MORE WEEK TO SECURE YOUR TICKETS FOR THE MOST FUN-FILLED NIGHT OF THE YEAR!!**

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 ticket sales via Try bookings

**Ticket sales close 11pm tonight Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> August**

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](mailto: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://wwwcv.auspost.com.au/>

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

**Elisa and The P&F Team**



# DISCO NIGHT

**\$5**  
per ticket

**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.



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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.





## COMMUNITY NEWS



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