



News from Templestowe Heights Primary School

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Newsletter Term 4 Week 5

6th November 2025

Templestowe Heights Primary School Values

Persistence

Respect

Courage

Responsibility

"Inspiring learners for life"

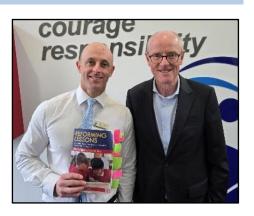
Friday 7th November - Whole School Assembly 2.45pm - Gym - All Welcome

PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

Sir Nick Gibb

On Friday we had a visit from Sir Nick Gibb, recently retired England Education Minister of 12 years. Sir Nick visited classrooms and provided positive feedback on the quality of teaching and learning he observed.

We had the opportunity to hear from Sir Nick as he detailed his inspiring story of how he led the greatest shift in England's education policy reforms, resulting in a significant rise up the world rankings and ensuring children across all of the country are now receiving evidence-based practice in every classroom.



It really was a huge honour to have Sir Nick visit, as he flew down specifically for the day only to visit THPS.

Year 5 Core Knowledge Curriculum

Currently our year 5 students are learning about *Medicine*, *Plagues and Pandemics*, where they are exploring medieval medicine practices, the Black Death, Germ Theory and the discovery of vaccines. It has been a captivating unit, where students are making connections about how these medical discoveries shaped human history. A big shout out to Arlo (5SP) for being so inspired he went home and designed his very own Black Death mask and wore it for Halloween!



Mr Ravindran got Married!

Over the weekend, Martin Ravindran married his fiancée, Alya. Martin and Alya's families travelled from overseas to join the special occasion. It was pleasing to see him all spruced up for the occasion. We wish Martin and Alya all the best in their future lives together.

Whole School Assembly and Welcome to Country

This Friday we will be having a whole school assembly at 2:45pm. All members of our community are welcome to attend.

As part of our Reconciliation Action Plan, next Friday at 2:30pm on the oval we will be hosting a Welcome To Country ceremony. Once again, all members of our community are welcome to attend.

Rhys Coulson

Principal

CALENDAR OF EVENTS 2025	
Term 4	
Friday 7 th November	Whole School assembly (All Welcome)
Wednesday 12 th November	Year 3 Force & Motion incursion
	Foundation to Year 2 Dance Performance
	(Families Welcome) From 2pm - Gym
Thursday 13 th November	Year 6 Graduation Photo
Friday 14 th November	Whole School Assembly 2.30pm Oval – 'Welcome To Country'
Mon 17 th to Wed 19 th Nov	Year 5 & 6 Camp – Golden Valley
Tuesday 25 th November	Year 2 Melbourne Zoo Excursion
Thusday 27 th November	All library Books Due back to School
Mon 1 st – 5 th December	Year 1 & 2 Swimming Program at Aquarena
Tue 2 nd – Fri 5 th December	Year 3 & 4 Swimming Program at Carey Grammar
Wednesday 3 rd December	Year 2 Bee Incursion
Thursday 4 th December	Carols Night 6pm to 8pm
Fridaay 5 th December	Whole School Assembly 2.45pm – Gym
Mon 8 th – Fri 12 th December	Year 5 & 6 Swimming at Carey (Except Tuesday)
	Foundation Swimming at Aquarena
Tuesday 9 th December	Year 6 Transition Day to Year 7 Government Schools
	Whole School Transition Session 1 - 11.30am -12.30pm
Tuesday 16 th December	Year 6 BIG DAY Out
Wedensday 17 th December	Whole School Transition Session 2 - 11.30am to 12.30pm
Thursday 18 th December	Year 6 Graduation Evening
Friday 19 th December	Foundation Fairytale Incursion
	Final Whole School Assembly for 2025 - 12.30pm – Gym -All Welcome
	Last Day Term 4 Students - Dismissed 1.30pm
2026 TERM DATES	
Term 1	Thursday 29 th January – Thursday 2 nd April
Term 2	Monday 20 th April – Friday 26 th June
Term 3	Monday 13 th July – Friday 18 th September
Term 4	Monday 5 th October – Friday 18 th December

FROM THE OFFICE

Payments

Year 5 & 6 Camp – Payment must be made in full by Friday 7th November

Are you Moving Schools in 2026

Planning for 2026 classes is well under way. If your family will be moving to a new school in 2026 can you please notify the school via email as soon as possible.

LIBRARY NEWS



Next week will be the last week for borrowing from the library.

The library will be closed for stocktake during December, so please ensure all library books are returned by Thursday, 27th November.

Thank you for helping us keep our library collection complete and ready for next year!

Susan Bannister

Teacher Librarian

COMMUNITY NEWS



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