

# Our News

News from Templestowe Heights Primary School



Templestowe Heights  
Primary School

9850 1796

*Newsletter Term 1 Week 8*

*19<sup>th</sup> March 2026*

## *Templestowe Heights Primary School Values*

Persistence

Respect

Courage

Responsibility

“Inspiring learners for life”

## PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

### Wedding Day

Congratulations to Renee Rossi and fiancé Joe, who got married on the weekend. By all reports it was a very special day, with the bride and groom both scrubbing up well. We wish the newlyweds a long, prosperous and happy life together.

### Incursions

Over the last week, Year 3, 2 & 1 students participated in a workshop with Life Education where they learnt about building positive friendships. Students in Year 6 & 3 participated in workshops about internet safety and on Friday students in Year 4 will participate in a BioEYES session looking at Zebra Fish. All these incursions focused on what the students were learning back in their classrooms.

### School Council News

At our School Council meeting last night, **Paul Gallo** (Jemma 6AS and Hayley 3JA) was elected as our new President. Paul has been on Council for four years and fills the role vacated by Kai Robotham (Isabelle & Zoe, 6AS). Paul is excited about taking on the role as School Council President and assured me he didn't want to make any changes!

A heartfelt thank you for the contribution that Kai has made over her 5-year tenure as President. Kai was so approachable and always placed the interests of Templestowe Heights first in any decision-making. She had a “solution-focused” attitude to every scenario discussed at Council and was such a positive support for me. Being a member of the finance committee, Kai oversaw the new parent payment policy and she streamlined many of the systems that council operate with today.

### David Didau Visit

Yesterday Templestowe Heights Primary was fortunate to have renown British literacy expert **David Didau** visit our school. David modelled two lessons to our year 4-6 teachers, providing a professional leaning opportunity to gain a deeper insight into how to hold students to high standards and accountability. Everyone who observed his lessons took something away, that will help them deliver their lessons more effectively.

### Industrial Action


This coming Tuesday is a planned industrial action day for our union members. At the time of writing, we are planning to run a normal school day without our students' learning being impacted. We will send out the final communication on Monday to inform all families of what the day will look like for Tuesday.

### Rhys Coulson

Principal



## CALENDAR OF EVENTS 2026

Friday 20 <sup>th</sup> March	Year 4 BioEyes Incursion
Wednesday 25 <sup>th</sup> March	Life Education Year 1JC, 2EA, 2LH
Friday 27 <sup>th</sup> March	Whole School Assembly – Foundation Starting School Certificates - 2.45pm All Welcome
Wednesday 1 <sup>st</sup> April	Year 5 & 6 Inter School Sports Gala Day 2
Thursday 2 <sup>nd</sup> April	<b>JSC PYJAMA DAY</b> – Gold Coin Donation Whole School Assembly – 1.30pm – All Welcome <b>Term 1 Ends – Students Dismissed 2.30pm</b> 
<b>Pupil Free Days</b>	
Monday 25 <sup>th</sup> May	
Monday 2 <sup>nd</sup> November	
<b>2026 TERM DATES</b>	
Term 1	Ends Thursday 2 <sup>nd</sup> April
Term 2	Monday 20 <sup>th</sup> April – Friday 26 <sup>th</sup> June
Term 3	Monday 13 <sup>th</sup> July – Friday 18 <sup>th</sup> September
Term 4	Monday 5 <sup>th</sup> October – Friday 18 <sup>th</sup> December

### FROM THE OFFICE

#### Office Contact Details

Please address all emails to the office email address to ensure that they are actioned as soon as possible.

[templestowe.heights.ps@education.vic.gov.au](mailto:templestowe.heights.ps@education.vic.gov.au)

#### Payments Due

Year 6 Camp deposit \$50 due 20<sup>th</sup> March

### PSW RELOCATING

PSW school uniforms are relocating to Camberwell please see the flyer attached for details.

### FIRST AID NEWS

It is imperative that parents and carers contact the school via phone or email if their child develops any of the following infectious diseases. Students may be excluded from school in accordance with the Public Health and Wellbeing Regulations exclusion table.

- Chickenpox
- Diarrhea
- Head lice
- Measles
- Whooping cough
- Hand, Foot and Mouth disease
- School sores (impetigo)

A full list of exclusions can be found [here](#)



## **THE THPS EASTER RAFFLE TICKETS ARE ON SALE NOW.**

### **So, we are seeking Easter Donations!**

We are excited to call on our community for anything Easter-related! Any contributions are greatly appreciated, and donations can be dropped off at the office. Thank you for your generosity!

**Also, you can HOP, HOP, HOP to buy your tickets  
using this Link or this QR code!**



<https://www.raffletix.com.au/templestowehts-easter2026>

The Easter Raffle will be drawn on Thursday 2nd of April during assembly,  
and tickets are \$2 each, 3 for \$5 or 6 for \$10. Ticket purchases close on Wednesday 1<sup>st</sup> April at  
6pm.

Please ensure that your child's name and class are clearly written in the space provided when  
purchasing your online ticket/tickets (this is not an 'optional' field as stated on the transaction page).

If you are purchasing tickets for multiple children, please complete separate transactions, as only one  
child's name can be associated with each transaction. GOOD LUCK EVERYONE!!

### **Elisa and the P&F Team**

### **Working With Children Check (WWCC)**

A WWCC can be applied for free of charge by scanning the QR Code or online  
at <https://wvcv.auspost.com.au/>

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







  
 Templestowe Heights  
 PRIMARY SCHOOL

HOP HOP HOP TO OUR  
**2026 EASTER RAFFLE**

Students will have the opportunity to win Easter prizes which will be drawn on Thursday the 2nd of April during assembly.

**Please use the QR code or follow the link to order your Easter Raffle tickets online!**

Please ensure that your child's name and class are clearly written in the space provided when purchasing your online ticket/tickets.

If you are purchasing tickets for multiple children, please complete separate transactions, as only one child's name can be associated with each transaction.

<https://www.raffletix.com.au/templestowehts-easter2026>

**Ticket purchases close Wednesday 1st April at 6pm.**

THANK YOU and GOOD LUCK  
 On behalf of the Parents and Friends Team

TICKET  
OPTIONS

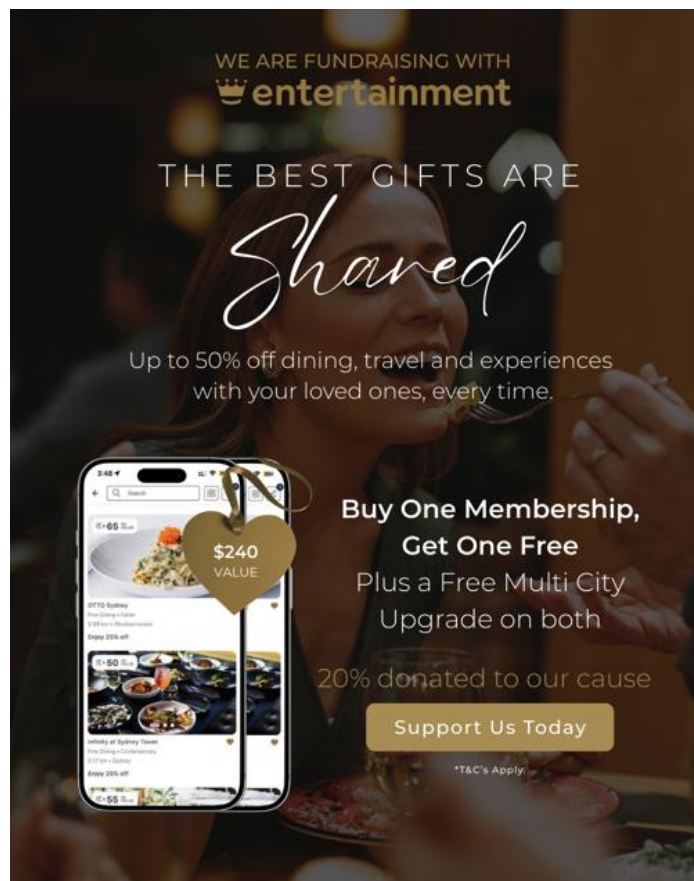
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**\$10**








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 Upgrade on both

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**Support Us Today**

\*T&C's Apply.



# BASKETBALL NEWS

## HOOP TIME REGISTRATIONS NOW OPEN!

### **Hoop Time is back for 2026!**

The Hoop Time program offers kids in Grade 3 and 4 (junior) and Grade 5 and 6 (senior) the opportunity to play in a fun competition. The program culminates at the end of each year with Regional Finals and a State Grand Final day.

### **Divisions**

#### *Future Stars Division*

Basketball Victoria are introducing a new category into Hoop Time, Future Stars (mixed) and Future Stars (girls only) - there will be no on court ratio parameters in Future Stars (mixed). Any students that play in the Victorian Junior League 6 (VJL6) or below are eligible to play Future Stars.

#### *All Stars Division*

Any players who compete in the VJBL in Victorian Junior League 5 (VJL5) or above must play in the All Star division. Any player who represents their association in the Junior Country Championships (JCC) in that year, must play in the All Star division. If a player fits just one of these two categories, they must play All Stars and are deemed ineligible for the Future Stars and Rookies divisions.

### **Important Information:**

Cost: \$110 per team, inclusive of GST

Further information regarding Hoop Time dates and locations can be found here:

<https://www.basketballvictoria.com.au/competitions/schools/hoop-time>

**To register a team please use this link:** <https://www.trybooking.com/DKQKI>

**Please note, this is not a school run event. Parents are responsible for getting their child to the competition and organising their own teams.**

For more information, please email Natalie.

[thpsbasketball@gmail.com](mailto:thpsbasketball@gmail.com)

GO HEIGHTS!!

The place to be these holidays!

TheirCare

# iSpyKIDS

\*Autumn 2026  HOLIDAY PROGRAM

check footage from Mon-Fri



Ninja Training @1300 hours

Secret Agents  
- Junior Spy  
- Agent Academy  
Tues April 7th

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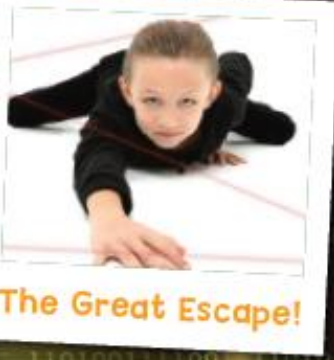
Pass the popcorn!



Secret Agent Kit



Maze Runner



The Great Escape!

Book now at [TheirCare.com.au](http://TheirCare.com.au)  
Save up to 90% with the Child Care Subsidy

Scan to find your nearest holiday program location



# 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 8:30am - 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.



# COMMUNITY NEWS



## Piano Lessons

Vivian Davies has been a long time private piano teacher that runs her lessons during school hours or after hours. If you are interested in your child learning the piano please contact her on 0422 880 764.

# FUN SPORTS - GET KIDS ACTIVE!

### JUNIOR FUTSAL COMPETITIONS



FRIDAY

WEEKDAY AFTER-SCHOOL COMPETITIONS - FORM A TEAM AND NOMINATE NOW!

### JUNIOR CRICKET COMPETITIONS



GRADES 3/4 - MONDAY  
GRADES 5/6 - TUESDAY / FRIDAY

### COACHING PROGRAMS



THURSDAY / SATURDAY

### KIDS BIRTHDAY PARTIES



MIDWEEK & WEEKENDS

**ACTION**  
**BOX HILL**  
INDOOR SPORTS

Box Hill Action Indoor Sports - 9 Clarice Rd, Box Hill 3128 - 9890 7000  
www.boxhillindoorsports.com.au



Maximise your child's potential by equipping them with **problem solving & communication skills**  
Empower them these holidays with skills for life!

## HOLIDAY WORKSHOPS

Problem Solving & Communication  
Grades 4 - 10



**Small Classes & Specialist Skill Development**  
**Individual Feedback & Support**  
**Led by an experienced University Lecturer**

**Early Bird Pricing**  
Book by Mar 26<sup>th</sup>

#### Structured Problem Solving



**Foundation Workshop:** Students learn to define problems, set goals, uncover root causes, and develop practical solutions using a structured, logical approach.

**Follow-On Workshop:** Students extend these skills in: *Future Problem Solvers: Victoria 2050 - Can you solve the challenges our state may face?*

**Participants** Grades 4 - 6  
Years 7 - 10

**Dates** April Holidays:  
10/04 - 17/04

**Timing** Each Workshop:  
10am - 3:30pm

**Location** Templestowe College  
(Lwr Templestowe)

Our expert-led workshops, blend explicit teaching with engaging activities - supporting kids & teens to build a strategic **MINDset**, learn practical **FRAMEworks**, and **GROW confidence** and **essential skills** to thrive in school, extracurricular, social and everyday situations

#### Structured Communication



**Foundation Workshop:** Students learn to articulate key messages, structure their ideas, story-tell, and present in a concise, engaging, logical & compelling way.

**Follow-On Workshops:** Students extend these skills in:  
• *Conversing & Speaking Up*  
• *Reports & Presentations*



**DONCASTER**  
JUNIOR FOOTBALL CLUB  
Where friendships begin

WANT TO **HAVE FUN**  
WANT TO **MAKE FRIENDS**  
WANT TO **GET ACTIVE**  
**BOYS AND GIRLS ALL WELCOME**  
**SPOTS STILL AVAILABLE**

U8 MIXED (Born in 2018- 30 April 2019)  
U9 MIXED (Born in 2017)  
U10 MIXED (Born in 2016)

**FREE** REGISTRATION

**FREE** UNIFORM

**REGISTER NOW!**

TEAMS FINALISED 27 March 2026

REGISTER HERE



For more information visit [www.doncasterjfc.com/membership](http://www.doncasterjfc.com/membership)

<http://doncasterjfc.com/contact-us/>  
Call us for more information about how to register, teams and training days



"Amazing to see how much more confident & open my daughter has become"  
"He said it was a real eye-opener to start thinking more critically about how to communicate."  
"She's not as upset when things are not working out, instead she is ready to try again another way"

Visit or contact us to learn more and book

[www.mindframegrow.com/youth](http://www.mindframegrow.com/youth)

0431 314 836

info@mindframegrow.com



# 2 Day Autism Workshop for Parents and Carers

**Kew, VIC**



Scan the  
QR code or  
[click here](#)  
to register



This workshop is for parents, full time carers and grandparents.



**Tuesday & Wednesday**  
**19 & 20 May, 2026**  
9:30am - 2:30pm



**Kew Golf Club**  
**120 Belford Road**  
**KEW EAST VIC 3102**

Morning tea and a light lunch will be provided



**Interpreters available upon request**

### During the workshop you will learn about:

- The diversity of autism
- Sensory processing
- Understanding behaviour
- Working together with your child's school.

Learn more about autism and neurodiversity-affirming ways to strengthen the partnership between home and school.

For more information or to register visit:

 <https://www.positivepartnerships.com.au/PC>

 [jfeary@positivepartnerships.com.au](mailto:jfeary@positivepartnerships.com.au)



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