

Our News



News from Templestowe Heights Primary School

Templestowe Heights
Primary School

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Newsletter Term 1 Week 10

2nd April 2026

Templestowe Heights Primary School Values

Integrity

Respect

Courage

Responsibility

"Inspiring learners for life"



Term 2 Begins Monday 20th April



PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

Safe Break

Today is our last day for term 1 and we had our final assembly in the gym at 1:45pm. During the assembly we announced the prize-winners of our Parents & Friends Easter Raffle. A list of winners is included in with this newsletter.



I hope all families have an opportunity to spend quality time together. Some structures and routines will go out the window, but it is a chance for the children to reset and recharge. Over the break, staff member Naomi Cheney is getting married to her fiancé Adrian. We wish them all the best on their special day. We also farewelled our handyman, David Bruder, who has retired to spend more time with his grandchildren. David's ability to repair and maintain our building and grounds has been invaluable to our school.

Dress Up Day

It was a 'comfy' day today as our students came dressed in their pyjamas. This day was organised by our Student Voice Leaders, led by Sarah Santaera and Alex Bruinewoud. All money raised will be donated to the Bilby Foundation, an organisation helping to raise the population numbers of the endangered Bilby.

No Dogs at School

As per our school policy, dogs are not permitted on school grounds before or after school. In recent times, there have been instances where parents and carers have walked or carried their dogs onto school grounds. While I am a dog lover, the policy has been established due to historical incidents where children have been bitten, and landmines have made messes on the soles of unsuspecting shoes.



Rhys Coulson
Principal

CALENDAR OF EVENTS 2026

Term 2

Monday 20th April	Term 2 begins
Thursday 23rd April	ANZAC Service 12pm to 1pm - Templestowe Memorial - Yr 6 leaders
Thursday 7th May	House Cross Country Year 3 to 6
Friday 15th May	Whole School Assembly – 2.45pm – All Welcome
Mon 18th to Wed 20th May	Year 6 Phillip Island Camp
Thursday 21st May	Year 5 Online Incursion during STEM
Friday 22nd May	Foundation Myuna Farm Excursion District Cross country
Monday 25th May	Pupil Free day – No school for students
Thursday 28th May	Year 5 & 6 Interschool Sports Gala Day
Friday 5th June	Whole School Assembly – 2.45pm – All Welcome
Monday 8th June	King's Birthday Public Holiday – No School
Tues 9th to Thurs 11th June	Smile Squad Dental Visit
Friday 12th June	Whole School Italian Incursion
Thursday 18th June	Year 5 & 6 Interschool Sports Gala Day
Mon 22nd to Wed 24th June	Year 4 Mt Evelyn Camp
Friday 26th June	Last Day of Term 2

Pupil Free Days

Monday 25th May

Monday 2nd November

2026 TERM DATES

Term 1	Ends Thursday 2nd April
Term 2	Monday 20th April – Friday 26th June
Term 3	Monday 13th July – Friday 18th September
Term 4	Monday 5th October – Friday 18th December

Foundation 2027 Enrolments

Enrolments for foundation 2027 are opening on Monday 20th April. If you are an existing family with a younger **sibling**, please email the office to request an enrolment link. All enrolments are now online via the Vic Students Portal.

Family Contact Details

Have you moved house or changed contact details?



It is important that we have your most current contact details in our system in case of an emergency. It is also important that you keep your mobile phone number, home address and email address details up to date. This is to ensure you do not miss out on vital information including student attendance alerts. Please email any changes to: templestowe.heights.ps@education.vic.gov.au

FROM THE OFFICE

The office staff would like to wish you a Happy Easter and a restful term 1 break.

School resumes Monday 20th April



Payments Due

Year 6 Camp forms due Thursday 2nd April & payment due 11th May

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

LOST PROPERTY

There are a large number of unnamed items in our lost property tub. Please ensure all items bought to school are clearly labelled so that they may be easily returned.

All unnamed items in the lost property tub at the end of the day will be donated to the second hand uniform shop.



YEAR 5 & 6 INTERSCHOOL SPORTS GALA DAY

Our Year 5/6 students took part in their exciting Gala Day on Wednesday, and what a fantastic event it was! All students demonstrated excellent sportsmanship, teamwork, and enthusiasm throughout the day. Well done to everyone for being such great sports!

A huge thank you goes to Ms Tan for organising this wonderful event, as well as to our parent helpers and staff who supported the day and helped make it run so smoothly.

Students participated in a range of sports, including rounders, Hot Shots tennis, softball, and basketball. We are especially proud of our girls' basketball, rounders and softball teams, who all won their grand finals- an outstanding achievement!



JSC PYJAMA DAY

Today the Junior School Council was excited to host a special Pyjama Day! Students were invited to come to school in their favourite pyjamas while helping support an important cause.

We are raising funds for the Save a Bilby Foundation, whose vision is to save the bilby from extinction within our lifetime. The foundation is working towards building an insurance population of 10,000 bilbies in Australia by 2030. Through their efforts, bilbies are bred in captivity and released into a sanctuary at Currawinya National Park, protected by a predator-exclusion fence, with the goal of establishing a thriving population of 400 free-living bilbies.

Together we raised over \$600 towards the protection of this unique and endangered Australian species. Every donation, big or small, will help make a difference!



NEWSFLASH!

Canteen Is BACK in Term 2!

We are pleased to announce that the canteen is opening for business once again on **FRIDAY 24th APRIL**. Our returning Year Six committee members are Susanna, Imogen, Ryan and William. We would also like to welcome Kit, Jemma, Elwood and Ben, who are our new Year 5 committee members.

This year the items on sale are once again, Juicy Icy-poles , Piranha snaps BBQ and Dotty cookies.

All items remain at \$2 each.



Please note, dietary and allergy information is attached and is also available from the office.

We look forward to serving you,

THPS Student Run Canteen Committee.

Barbecue Piranha SNAPS chips

Potato Flour (48%), Sunflower Oil, Rice Flour (7%), Corn Flour, Pumpkin Flour (4%), Sugar, Vegetable Powders (Tomato Onion, Beetroot, Garlic, Celery), Sea Salt, Yeast Extracts, Probiotics (Bacillus coagulants), Spices (Paprika, Turmeric, Tamarind), Natural Flavours. May contain peanuts, Tree Nuts, Soy, Milk and sesame from processing line.

Juicies Tropical Flavour

Fruit Juice(99.8%)[Fresh Pressed Apple Juice(95.8%), Reconstituted Fruit Juices(Orange, Pineapple, Apple, Passionfruit, Mango)], Natural Flavour, Ascorbic Acid(Vitamin C).

Wild Berry

Fruit Juice (99.9%): Fresh Pressed Apple Juice, Fruit Juices (10%) (Boysenberry, Blackcurrant), Natural Flavour, Vitamin C

Dotty Cookies

Egg. Wheat Flour (Vitamins (Thiamine, Folate).), Smarties (Barley, Oats, Rye) (Sugar, Milk Solids, Cocoa Butter, Cocoa Mass, Wheat Flour, Vegetable Fat (Emulsifier (Soy Lecithin), Rice Starch Emulsifiers (Soy Lecithin, 478), Beta Carotene, Anthocyanin, Copper Chlorophyllin, Turmeric). Glazing Agents (903, E01), Spirulina Powder, Flavour.), Caster Sugar, Brown Sugar (Cane Sugar).Margarine (Animal Fat. Vegetable Oil, Water (16%), Salt (2%), Milk Solids. Emulsifier (471), Soybean Lecithin, Natural Flavour (Sunflower Oil, Flavouring Substances. (260)), Food Acid (330). Contains Gluten, "Wheat Egg. Milk Soy May contain tree nuts



Congratulations to all our Easter Hamper winners!!

A big THANK-YOU to everyone for your generosity with donations! We have had so many wonderful chocolate and non-chocolate items donated and a big thank you to Roz, Libby and Emma for helping with the Easter Raffle prizes!

Happy Easter everyone!!

Enjoy the break and we'll see you all next term!

Elisa and the P&F Team

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/>

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

EASTER RAFFLE WINNERS



Florence	FSM	Ledio	5DL
Dion	FJR	Valentina	2RW
Kosta	5SP	Lionel	6AS
Farbod	6BM	Lia	3RR
Trevor	3RR	Isaac	3RR
Arthur	2LH	Charlotte	FSM
Sienna	3EJ	Lucas	FSM
Henry	FHA	Amelia	5SP
Jayden	1KD	Emmy	2CS
Marcello	3RR	Dion	4NS
Scarlett	1KD	Julian	3EJ
Eleanor	FSM	Kiera	FJR
Yuhas	FHA	Chad	2CS
Hayley	4NS	Eliana	5DL
Inaara	FHA	Mrs Avramidis	Teacher FHA
Tegan	3RR		

CHESS at

Templestowe Heights Primary

Chess is the original and enduring "thought sport" played throughout the world and has many benefits for young people. These include improved cognitive skills as well as self confidence and resilience. With coaches who rank among the best players in the country our chess programs are tailored to suit the needs of all abilities.

**ENROL
ONLINE
NOW!**

**CONTACT US
FOR TRIALS**

TUESDAYS, 1:00 - 1:50 PM

STARTS ON 2 MAY

RUNS FOR 7 SESSIONS

FOR YEARS 1 - 6

ROOM: SCIENCE CENTRE

Scan or click
the QR code
to enrol
online!



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TheirCare

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*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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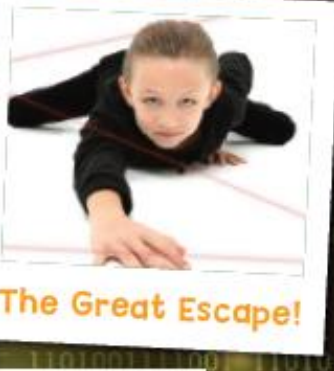
Pass the popcorn!



Secret Agent Kit



Maze Runner



The Great Escape!

Book now at TheirCare.com.au
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.

EASTER SCHOOL HOLIDAY PROGRAM 2026



Week 1: April 9th and 10th
Week 2: April 15th and 16th

Ages: U7 - U15
Location: Pettys Reserve
Time : 9:30am - 1:00pm
Sign up Via: Nickansellfootballacademy.com

We invite all New Parents to


Twin Hills
 Pre-school

OPEN DAY

SATURDAY 2ND MAY

9am - 12pm
 39 Mayfair Ave, Templestowe Lower

Meet our educators
 Tour of our Wonderful Facilities
 Face painting
 petting zoo
 coffee cart
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SCHOOL HOLIDAY PROGRAM



WHY CHOOSE US?

- ✓ Sports Programs
- ✓ Creative Art & Crafts
- ✓ Music & Dance Classes
- ✓ Coding Workshops
- ✓ and MUCH MORE



\$100/SESSION *BEFORE CCS

AGES 5-11

7TH OF APRIL 2026 - 17TH OF APRIL 2026
7:00am - 6:00pm

LEARN MORE

- ☎ (03) 9857 8204
- 📍 97 High St, Doncaster VIC 3108
- 🌐 dreambigearlylearning.com.au/school-holidays/

OUR PARTIES

CRAFT PARTY

FROM \$280/10 KIDS

- CHOOSE UP TO 3 CRAFT PROJECTS
- DELICIOUS PARTY FOOD INCLUDED
- AMAZING PARTY HOST TO RUN ACTIVITIES
- YOUR OWN PARTY ROOM

SCIENCE PARTY

FROM \$290/10 KIDS

- CHOOSE UP TO 3 SCIENCE PROJECTS
- DELICIOUS PARTY FOOD INCLUDED
- AMAZING PARTY HOST TO RUN ACTIVITIES
- YOUR OWN PARTY ROOM

DISCO PARTY

FROM \$300/10 KIDS

- CHOOSE FROM 3 THEMES WITH SPECIAL CHARACTERS
- DELICIOUS PARTY FOOD INCLUDED
- AMAZING PARTY HOST TO RUN FUN ACTIVITIES
- YOUR OWN PARTY ROOM

EASTER HOLIDAY CAMPS

ONLY \$90
PER DAY!

AT BULLEEN BOOMERS

TUESDAY 7TH & 14TH APRIL
WEDNESDAY 8TH & 15TH APRIL
THURSDAY 9TH & 16TH APRIL
ALL DAYS ARE 10AM-3PM
BULLEEN BASKETBALL STADIUM
LUNCH ORDERS AVAILABLE

Suitable for Junior Domestic
& Junior Community League
players, Aussie Hoopers and
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