



Our News



Templestowe Heights
Primary School

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News from Templestowe Heights Primary School

Newsletter Term 2 Week 4

14th May 2026

Templestowe Heights Primary School Values

Persistence

Respect

Courage

Responsibility

“Inspiring learners for life”

Whole School Assembly

Friday 15th May 2.45pm – Gym – All Welcome

PRINCIPAL’S REPORT

Welcome

We would like to welcome **Brad Smart**, our new Facilities Manager. Brad has seamlessly stepped into the role left by David and has already shown us his capability by fixing things that plumbers and builders do! Please say hi to him if you see him in the yard.



We would also like to welcome pre-service teacher **Siobhan Athanasiadis**. Siobhan will be mentored by Renee Roimans(3RR) as she nears the completion of her degree to be a qualified primary school teacher.

Thank you Mustafa!



I would like to say a massive thank you to Elvin’s (2EZ) father, Mustafa, who has been generously donating boxes of fruit for our runners at Run Club. On Wednesday morning, students gorged themselves (well some did!) on fresh oranges after running and walking around the school at Running Club.

Cross Country

Across Monday and today, students participated in our F-2 and year 3-6 cross country events. Our younger students huffed and puffed around our school oval, while our older students ran through our school and around our neighbouring streets. At both events, it was pleasing to see our students being loudly encouraged along by their classmates, parents, carers and staff. Similarly, it didn’t matter what age group, many students are still learning not to sprint at the start, thinking they could hold that speed the whole distance!

A massive thank you to Jaime Tan, all staff and many parents and carers for making these events possible. The red cheeks and sweaty brows were a true indication of how successful and memorable our cross-country events were.

Parents & Friends Mother's Day Breakfast

It was a big turn out as many mothers, grandmothers and special persons came along for our annual Mother's Day breakfast. Students were then able to buy small gifts at the stall throughout the morning. Thank you to Elisa for the hours of time and energy that went into making these events so successful. Thank you also to the many parents, carers and staff that volunteered their time serving, and helping out in the breakfast and stall events.

2025 Annual Report to the Community

Next Wednesday 20th May at our School Council meeting, we will be presenting the 2025 Annual Report formally to the community. Members of our community are welcome to attend this meeting which will be held in the staffroom at 6.30pm - 7.00pm. The report will then be uploaded on our school website for access.

Whole School Assembly

Tomorrow we will be hosting our first whole school assembly for the term. The event will be held in the gym at 2.45pm and all members of our community are able to attend.

Rhys Coulson

Principal

CALENDAR OF EVENTS 2026	
Term 2	
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
Friday 5th June	Whole School Assembly – 2.45pm – All Welcome
Monday 8th June	King's Birthday Public Holiday – No School
Tues 9th to Friday 26th June	Smile Squad Dental Visit
Thursday 11th June	Year 5 Paliamentry Process Incursion
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
Thursday 25th June	Year 5 & 6 Interschool Sports Gala Day
Friday 26th June	Last Day of Term 2 - Students Dismissed 2.30pm
Pupil Free Days	
Monday 25th May	
Monday 2nd November	
2026 TERM DATES	
Term 2	Last Day 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 now open. 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.

FROM THE OFFICE

Payments Due

Year 5 Online Safety due Thursday 14th May

Year 4 camp balance due Wednesday 10th June

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

Our lost property tub is overflowing with unnamed school uniform and lunch containers. All unnamed uniforms not claimed will be donated to the second hand uniform shop. All non school uniforms will be disposed of or donated to charity. Please ensure all pieces of uniform, all lunch boxes, lids and drink bottles are clearly labelled to ensure their prompt return.

Second Hand Uniform Shop

Our secondhand uniform shop is open every afternoon from 3pm to 3.45pm. All tops and dresses \$5, all bottoms \$2, School bags, hats and satchels \$5.

MOANA UPDATE NEWS

Hallo everyone!

Moana the Guide Dog Pup returned to Guide Dogs Victoria last year.

After a month or so with another family, she went for Guide Dog Assessment. Unfortunately, a career as a dog guide was not suited to her temperament.

Off she went to another family for a big rest after that. On her return to GDV, she went through assessment for Therapy Dog Work. As a Therapy Dog, one has many options career-wise: The Court system, the Police Force, accompanying people with chronic physical or mental illnesses and many more 'positions'. However, unfortunately again, Moana's temperament meant that a career as Therapy Dog was not for her.

Gladly, Moana now lives with a family as a LAP – Loved As Pet dog. This suits her temperament very well indeed!

She will be living the life she needs to live. We all wish her the very best. I hope to go to visit in a few weeks.

Kind regards,

Liz James





IT'S TIME TO SAY THANK YOU!

The Mother's Day stall wouldn't have happened without our wonderful volunteers - thank you all from the bottom of our hearts!

Special thanks to Emma Ironfield and her green thumb. With her help we propagated over 200 Pothos plants in three months.

We at P&F hope you all enjoyed a lovely Sunday with your mothers, grandmothers and special people - whether you were being spoilt or doing the spoiling!

Our next scheduled event on the P&F Calendar is the School Disco, which will be held on Friday, the 7th of August.

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://wwcv.auspost.com.au/>

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



LUNCHTIME ACTIVITIES TIMETABLE

Monday Lunchtime	STEM Club Prep - 2	LEGO Club 3 - 6	Library Open	Year 4-6 Choir
Tuesday Lunchtime	STEM Club 3 - 6	LEGO Club Prep - 2	Garden Club	
Wednesday Lunchtime				
Thursday Lunchtime	Library Open			
Friday Lunchtime		Remote control Car Club		Year 4-6 Choir

