

# Our News



News from Templestowe Heights Primary School

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Primary School

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*Newsletter Term 2 Week 5*

*21<sup>st</sup> May 2026*

## *Templestowe Heights Primary School Values*

Persistence

Respect

Courage

Responsibility

“Inspiring learners for life”

**Monday 25<sup>th</sup> May - Pupil Free Day - No School for Students**

## **PRINCIPAL'S REPORT**

### **Year 6 Campers**

Our year 6 students all came back yesterday following a memorable 3-day camp to Philip Island. From freezing winds at the Nobbies, seeing the penguin parade and participating in outdoor activities, the students had a blast!

Camps require a huge amount of time in planning and preparing. A massive thank you to Kate Stacker for her unbelievable organisation and attention to detail. Thank you also to our wonderful staff of Ajay Singh, Angela Makris, Alex Bruinewoud and Samantha Charlton, as well as parents Belinda (Riley), Ibrahim (Farbod), Goran (Aleks) and Kai (Isabelle and Zoe) for ensuring students were safe and had a good time.

### **Pupil Free Day This Monday 25<sup>th</sup> May**

This coming Monday (25<sup>th</sup> May) we will be having a pupil-free day. Students are not to come to school and TheirCare will be running a holiday program if required by families.

On this day, all teaching and education support staff will be undertaking professional learning focussing on phonics. How children learn to read and write is a fundamental concept for all staff at THPS to have sound understandings of.

### **2025 Annual Report to the Community**

Last night we held our Annual General Meeting, where the 2025 Annual Report to the Community was tabled and presented. This document is a reflection of our 2025 accomplishments as well as our achievement results when compared to similar and state school.

Our students continue to demonstrate significantly higher academic achievements and positive endorsement of wellbeing and engagement results when compared to similar and state school averages. The results are a culmination of not just our individual classroom teachers, but all staff, parents and carers that have helped shape our young people. It takes a village to raise a child and observing all our students grow their knowledge, confidence and skills is a privilege to witness every day.

If you would like to read our drafted version found on our website, please click [here](#)

### **Industrial Action – Student Reports**

Due to the stop-work action, student reports will be different this semester. Student progress will still be shown through a progression point for each subject. There will be information of what the students have been taught throughout the semester, however there won't be any individualised commentary on how each child has progressed throughout the semester.

**Rhys Coulson**

**Principal**

## CALENDAR OF EVENTS 2026

### Term 2

<b>Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> May</b>	Foundation Myuna Farm Excursion District Cross country
<b>Monday 25<sup>th</sup> May</b>	Pupil Free day – No school for students
<b>Friday 5<sup>th</sup> June</b>	Whole School Assembly – 2.45pm – All Welcome
<b>Monday 8<sup>th</sup> June</b>	King’s Birthday Public Holiday – No School
<b>Tues 9<sup>th</sup> to Friday 26<sup>th</sup> June</b>	Smile Squad Dental Visit
<b>Thursday 11<sup>th</sup> June</b>	Year 5 Parliamentary Process Incursion
<b>Friday 12<sup>th</sup> June</b>	Whole School Italian Incursion
<b>Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> June</b>	Year 5 & 6 Interschool Sports Gala Day
<b>Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> June</b>	Astronomical Society of Victoria Star Gazing Event 6.30pm School Oval
<b>Mon 22<sup>nd</sup> to Wed 24<sup>th</sup> June</b>	Year 4 Mt Evelyn Camp
<b>Thursday 25<sup>th</sup> June</b>	Year 5 & 6 Interschool Sports Gala Day
<b>Friday 26<sup>th</sup> June</b>	Last Day of Term 2 - Students Dismissed 2.30pm
<b>Pupil Free Days</b>	
<b>Monday 25<sup>th</sup> May</b>	
<b>Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> November</b>	
<b>2026 TERM DATES</b>	
<b>Term 2</b>	<b>Last Day Friday 26<sup>th</sup> June</b>
<b>Term 3</b>	<b>Monday 13<sup>th</sup> July – Friday 18<sup>th</sup> September</b>
<b>Term 4</b>	<b>Monday 5<sup>th</sup> October – Friday 18<sup>th</sup> December</b>

### 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 4 camp balance due Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup> 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](mailto:templestowe.heights.ps@education.vic.gov.au)

## PARKING



We have had some local residents concerned about dangerous parking at school drop off and pick up. These concerns are mainly about parents and carers parking on or too close to the corner of Dellfield Drive and Fairbank Crescent, making it difficult to turn in and out. There are also a number of cars double parking and making illegal U turns on High Street. **Please be advised Manningham Council will be patrolling the area in the coming days. It is the responsibility of all of us to provide safe environment at these busy times.**

## CHANGE OF CLOTHES



Please ensure your child has a change of clothes in their school bag each day. Spare clothing is important in case of toileting accidents, or children becoming muddy while playing outdoors, particularly during wet weather.

This request applies to students in all year levels. If your child does not have spare clothing, parents/carers may need to come to school to provide clean clothes and assist with changing their child. Recently, we have experienced a higher number of students requiring changes of clothing, and our supply of spare clothes at school is now very limited.

## 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

# THPS CROSS COUNTRY 2026

We had a fabulous, sunny day last Thursday for our annual THPS House Cross Country race. Students from grade 3-6 dressed up in their house colours and cheered on their peers as they competed in a 1km, 2km or 3km race. I am so proud of each and every student that gave it their all, persevered and gained house points by completing their course. Congratulations to the 60 students from year 4, 5 and 6 that will be representing THPS at the District Cross Country race on Friday at Ruffey Lake Park. A huge thank you to our wonderful parent volunteers that gave up their time to help out with this event.

Jaime Tan, PE Teacher 😊





