

Our News



Templestowe Heights
Primary School

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News from Templestowe Heights Primary School

Newsletter Term 3 Week 1

17 July 2026

Templestowe Heights Primary School Values

Persistence

Respect

Courage

Responsibility

"Inspiring learners for life"

Welcome Back for Term 3!



PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

Welcome Back

It is great to be back for the second half of the school year. While it was a wet and cold fortnight, I hope families had a chance to spend some quality time together.

Welcome to new students Sonny (5LS), Anny (1SS) and Henry (FHA) who commenced this week. I would also like to welcome Roland Lewis and Tori Tabbitt who will be teaching 4NS for the remainder of the year. We welcome back Ross Toogood who has been travelling around Australia with his family throughout term 2.

Lastly, we would like to welcome Archie, a four-legged student commencing in 3EJ. Archie is a black labrador and a retired Guide Dog. Please read below for Liz James' article on Archie.

Over the break we had 26 closed circuit televisions (CCTV) installed around the school. This is inline with our CCTV Policy and Departmental guidelines. We also had the refurbishment of the toilet block in the multi-purpose-room nearing completion. This should be finished in two more weeks.

Ballroom Dancing

This term all students in Foundation-Year2 will be participating in Ballroom dancing lessons. This is to prepare them for the School Ball that will be held at the Ivanhoe Centre at the end of the term. The School Ball has been a tradition at Templestowe Heights Primary for over 40 years. We look forward to seeing the students master some tradition dances and perform them in front of their parents (all dressed up).

State Cross Country Championships

Congratulation to Sophie (4KW) who competed in the Victorian State Cross Country Championships. Sophie placed 15th overall which is an amazing achievement. Sophie's time of 7min41sec for 2km is super impressive and puts us all to shame!



Industrial Action – Thursday 23rd July

As previously mentioned, next Thursday, the Australian Education Union are planning to strike. Once we confirm the staff that will not be in attendance, we will communicate the plan for which students and year levels will be expected, or not expected, to attend.

Student Voice Elections

Each semester, every class elects a junior school councillor and environmental leader. These student voice leadership groups meet weekly to represent the views of their class to try and make our school better. Students can nominate themselves and create a speech to present to their class on why they should be elected. Information on the roles of our student voice leaders can be found attached to this newsletter.

Rhys Coulson

Principal

CALENDAR OF EVENTS 2026

Term 3

Mon 13th to 17th July	Smile Squad Dental Visits Resume
Monday 20th July	F to Year 2 School Ball Dance Lessons
Monday 27th July	F to Year 2 School Ball Dance Lessons
Mon 27th to Wed 29th July	Year 2 - Online Safety Incursion
Friday 31st July	Whole School Assembly - Foundation 100 Days of School 2.45pm – All Welcome
Monday 3rd August	Year 5 & 6 Attending Frozen Musical at Templestowe College F to Year 2 School Ball Dance Lessons
Mon 3rd to Wed 5th August	Parent/Carer Teacher Discussions (bookings opening soon)
Tuesday 4th August	Year 6 Smoothie Bar Incursion
Friday 7th August	Whole School Assembly – Badge Presentations – Gym – 2.45pm
Monday 10th August	F to Year 2 School Ball Dance Lessons
Tuesday 11th August	Year 3 to 6 Athletics Carnival
Tuesday 11th & 12th August	Foundation – Online Safety Incursion
Monday 17th August	F to Year 2 School Ball Dance Lessons
Wednesday 19th August	Astronomical Society of Victoria Star Gazing Event 6.30pm School Oval School Council meeting 7.00pm
Monday 24th August	F to Year 3 Author Visit – Micheal Wagner F to Year 2 School Ball Dance Lessons
Tuesday 25th August	Year 4 to 6 Author Visit – Ingrid Laguna
Friday 28th August	Whole School Assembly – 2.45pm – Gym – All Welcome
Monday 31st August	F to Year 2 School Ball Dance Lessons
Mon 31st Aug to Fri 4th Sept	F to Year 6 Raw Art Incursion
Monday 7th September	F to Year 2 School Ball Dance Lessons
Tuesday 8th September	District Athletics
Wednesday 9th September	Yr 3 Science incursion
Thursday 10th September	F to Year 2 SCHOOL BALL Ivanhoe Centre 6.30pm to 9.30pm
Friday 11th September	Whole School Assembly Gym – 1.45pm – All Welcome
Wednesday 16th September	School Council meeting 7.00pm
Friday 18th September	Last Day of Term 3 – Students Dismissed 2.30pm

Pupil Free Days

Monday 2nd November

2026 TERM DATES

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:

Yr 2 Online Safety \$14.50 due Wednesday 22nd July

Yr 6 Smoothie Bar incursion \$32.00 due Friday 24th July

Yr 6 Aviation incursion \$20.00 due Friday 24th July



Welcome back everyone!!

P&F would like to announce The THPS Disco is here!!!

Friday 7th August 6:30pm-8.00pm

Bring your disco moves!! You can even dress up as your favourite rockstar!

Our little disco dudes can have their face painted with Glow in the Dark Face Paint if they wish!
(Non-tonic and washable of course).

\$5 per child. Please see the attached flyer on how to buy tickets.

Also, if you're keen for a boogie yourself and want to join in the fun as a volunteer, please let us know!

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

NEW ADDITION TO 3EJ

Hello everyone,

I hope you have had a great break; no uniforms to wash, no lunches to prep each day and lots of nice things to do, including some R & R, I trust.

I have been involved with Guide Dogs Victoria as a volunteer for nearly 17 years. I have recently, and unexpectedly, inherited a retired Guide Dog. His name is Archie; he is 9 and a black labrador quite different in appearance to Grover, who was of finer build.

Archie is well trained, polite of manner, biddable, responsive and toilet trained (well and truly).

Our school environment is new to Archie and he will take a while to become accustomed to it and to all of us at THPS. He will be in the classroom with 3EJ, and out on yard duty with me. Please ask your children to approach us in a calm manner. Thank you for your understanding.

Kind regards,

Liz James



COMMUNITY NEWS



templestowe
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Community Fun Day

Free Community Event

**10 am to 3 pm
Saturday,
1 August, 2026**

Kids Zone Live Performances
Food Stalls Fun Photo Booth

Templestowe Baptist Church
103-105 Andersons Creek Rd, Doncaster East VIC 3109

FIND OUT MORE
www.tbc.org.au/communityday



Parenting Seminar

Resilience: Building stronger kids through life's challenges



Hear from special guest speaker Dr Justin Coulson on how to build resilience in children and teens that equips them to not just cope with life's challenges, but to thrive.

Dr Coulson is a leading parenting expert, psychologist, author and co-host of TV show *Parental Guidance* and popular podcast *Happy Families*.

Learn practical strategies to help your child build their resilience, and develop the confidence and skills they need to grow and flourish in life.

Wednesday 5 August, 7 pm to 8:30 pm
Manningham Function Centre, 699 Doncaster Road, Doncaster



Free, but registrations essential.

To secure your place, scan the QR code or visit manningham.vic.gov.au/parenting-seminar

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Maximise their potential by equipping them with problem solving skills for school, leadership & life

Developing confident, capable & empowered problem solvers

WORKSHOPS IN TEMPLESTOWE

Structured Problem Solving Years 5 - 9



Specialist Skill Development
Individual Feedback & Support
Award-Winning Program led by a Uni Lecturer

2026 WINNER
Youth Education Initiative of the Year

Problem Solving Foundation

Students develop their critical thinking, and learn a structured, logical approach to defining problems, setting goals, uncovering root causes, and developing practical solutions

TERM 3
(9 Workshops)

21 Jul - 15 Sep

Students

Students from all schools are welcome

Timing

Tuesdays
4:45 - 5:45pm

Location

Templestowe College

Bookings

Book under Weekly Workshops on our website

Problem Solving Follow-On

Students further strengthen their critical thinking, and apply their skills to tackle meaningful, practical problems of their choice, both individually and in teams

TERM 4
(10 Workshops)

6 Oct - 8 Dec

Our expert-led workshops blend explicit teaching with engaging, fun 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



"I've seen significant improvement & positive changes in how both my sons now handle situations"
"She's not as upset when things are not working out, instead she is ready to try again another way"
"I have noticed he is more confident about making decisions and explaining what he wants and why"

LIMITED SPOTS - Visit or contact us to learn more and book

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