

Our News



News from Templestowe Heights Primary School

Templestowe Heights
Primary School

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Newsletter Term 3 Week 2

23 July 2026

Templestowe Heights Primary School Values

Persistence

Respect

Courage

Responsibility

"Inspiring learners for life"

PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

Preservice Teachers

We would like to welcome Grace (3EJ) and Hazel (2RW) that are both preservice teachers. We look forward to seeing Grace and Hazel build their knowledge, to prepare successfully to join our workforce!

Student Voice Leaders

This week, students across all classes (asides from Foundation) will be presenting speeches to be elected their classes' Junior School Councillor or Environmental Leader. Aria (4KW) created a poem that she read out to her class, for which she was the successful candidate for the Junior School Council position:

*"Hello everyone!" I'll proudly say,
I'll help our class in every way.
I'll share our ideas, loud and clear,
So every voice is heard right here.
I'll be kind and fair each day,
And help solve problems along the way.
I'll host assemblies with a grin,
And try not to trip or lose my chin.
I'll wear my badge with lots of pride,
Not upside down or off the side!*

*I'll help keep our school neat and clean,
The tidiest school you've ever seen.
I'll join school activities with cheer,
And give my very best all year!
I'll share class news, both big and small,
And always try to help us all.
So if you think I'm right for you,
Vote for me, you know what to do.*

Industrial Action

Due to the scheduled striking, Templestowe Heights Primary was a little less full of students and staff today. Thank you to all of our community for your support and understanding.

NAPLAN

Every year, all students in Australia, in Year 3 and 5, participate in our National Assessment Program-Literacy and Numeracy (NAPLAN). Students answered multiple choice questions, short and long text responses, multi-correct answer responses, read passages of texts, rewrote correct sentences, spelt words, solved mathematical equations and deciphered worded problems.

These four tests (Reading, Writing, Spelling and Grammar & Punctuation and Numeracy) allow us to identify how our students compare to the rest of the country. It also allows us to assess our own curriculum and teaching program.

Yesterday all students received their 2026 results. We are extremely proud of all our students for their efforts. These results are just a snapshot in time, and this snapshot was four months ago, in March. We also need to consider that these results DO NOT predict a child's future life pathway and that exams are part of a young person's school life. Allowing children to gain experience in these situations are important.

Rhys Coulson Principal

CALENDAR OF EVENTS 2026	
Term 3	
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
Tuesday 4th August	Year 6 Smoothie Bar Incursion
Thursday 6th August	Foundation Wildlife 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
Friday 14th August	Yr 6 Graduation & JSC/Enviro leader photos
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 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 6 Smoothie Bar incursion \$32.00 due Friday 24th July

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

Foundation wildlife incursion \$22 due Thursday 30th July

Foundation online safety \$14.50 Tuesday 4th August

Year 3 to 6 Athletics day \$18 Wednesday 5th August

LIBRARY NEWS

Term 3 is always an exciting time in the library as we get ready to celebrate **Book Week**—a fantastic opportunity to promote the joy of reading and inspire students to engage with literature.

This year, our **Book Week Dress-Up Day** will be held on **Friday, 28th August**. Students are encouraged to come dressed as a favourite book character or dress to match this year's theme **"Symphony of Stories"**.

In preparation for our author visits from Michael Wagner (F-3) and Ingrid Laguna (4-6) students will be exploring their books in library lessons and discussing questions they may wish to ask. If families would like to purchase a signed copy of the author's books, please see the details below. (Signed books may be ordered until 10th August.)

Finally, a friendly reminder to please return any **overdue library books** as soon as possible.

Thank you for your continued support in fostering a love of reading!

Susan Bannister

Teacher Librarian

MICHAEL WAGNER IS VISITING OUR SCHOOL!

On 24th August Michael will be visiting our school to talk to students about reading and writing. This is a fantastic opportunity to learn more about the practices of professional authors and how they write the interesting and engaging stories we love.



Students have the opportunity to pre-purchase books for signing on the day!



To order Michael's books please scan the QR CODE or [click here](#)

All orders must be completed by 10th August to receive the books to be signed on the day of Michael's visit.

Please note: Orders after this date will arrive to the school after the visit and will NOT be signed.



INGRID LAGUNA IS VISITING OUR SCHOOL!

On 25th August Ingrid will be visiting our school to talk to students about reading and writing. This is a fantastic opportunity to learn more about the practices of professional authors and how they write the interesting and engaging stories we love.



Students have the opportunity to pre-purchase books for signing on the day!



To order Ingrid's books please scan the QR CODE or [click here](#)

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HOOPTIME BASKETBALL NEWS

The Year 3 /4 Hooptime basketball team won the Grand Final in the Future Stars competition. Congratulations to Adelina, Kelsey, Chelsea, Tegan and Sophia on great game, and a huge thank you to their coach Adele for the weeks of training. They are now off to regionals. Yay!



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!

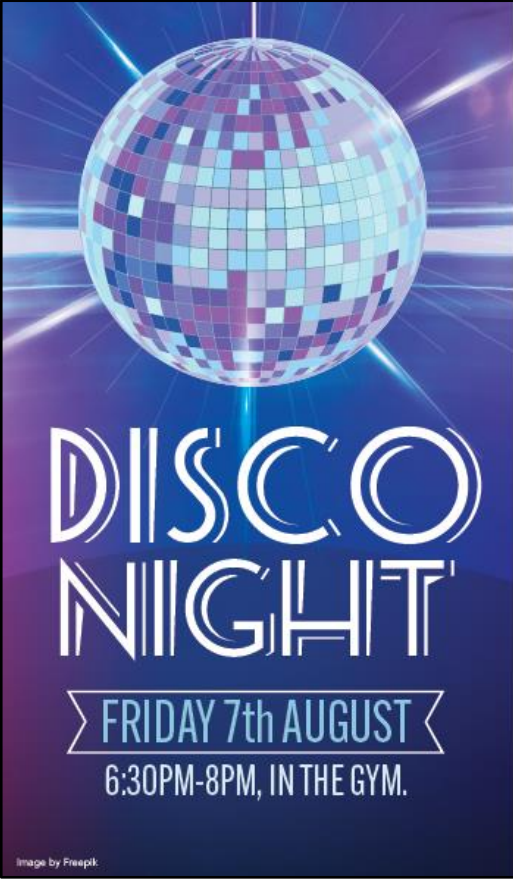
Elisa and the P&F Team

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





DISCO NIGHT

FRIDAY 7th AUGUST

6:30PM-8PM, IN THE GYM.

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It's time for the students to put on their dancing shoes, don their disco outfits and hit the dance floor! You can even dress up as your favourite rockstar!

Bring your disco moves!!

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

Students must bring a named water bottle and to be signed in by an adult on arrival and signed out prior to departure.

No phones or glow sticks permitted

Tickets can be purchased using the Trybooking QR code below or via the link.

<https://www.trybooking.com/DNVTW>

Ticket orders close at 11pm on Thursday 6th August, and no ticket sales or payments can be accepted on the night.

Please also disregard the automated tickets Trybooking generates and emails to you, as these tickets are not needed on the night.




\$

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per ticket

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

COMMUNITY NEWS



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baptist church

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



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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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