

Templestowe Park Newsletter

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TERM 1 – WEEK #1 of 10	
Monday 28 January	Australia Day Public Holiday observed
Tuesday 29 January	Statewide Curriculum Day STAFF DAY ONLY Uniform Shop Open: 11.00-3.30pm
Wednesday 30 January	Student Free Day STAFF DAY ONLY Uniform Shop Open: 1.30-3.30pm
Thursday 31 January	FIRST DAY OF TERM 1, 2019 Grades 1-6 Students return to school Prep 15 Minute Meet Teacher Meeting
Friday 1 February	Prep Students First Day of School PFA: Coffee & Cry: 9.00am Staffroom Gr3-6: House Swimming Carnival
TERM 1 – WEEK #2 of 10	
Monday 4 February	
Tuesday 5 February	
Wednesday 6 February	Prep Assessment Day Assembly
Thursday 7 February	Student Banking Starts
Friday 8 February	

CLASS OF 2018



Goodbye to our Grade 6 students.
We wish you every success with the next
stage of your education.

PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

Hello Parents and Friends,

The last school day for 2018 has finally arrived. It has been a very difficult time over the last month at our school, however, you see the true character of a community when times are tough. It has warmed my heart to see how our school community has come together and supported one of our families in the hardest of times. Over the last month, I believe that every student, parent and staff member has shed a tear and needed the love and support of someone close to them. I am proud to say that every member of our community has been there to console, support and pick each other up during these tough times.

The Jhinger family are so appreciative of the kindness, support and generosity of the community. They have been so comforted by you all and thankful for the generosity you have exhibited. A tangible sign of this is when the Templestowe Park community banded together to raise money for the Jhinger family. Well over \$20,000 was raised by our community alone. I cannot thank you enough for your kindness. This will help the family immeasurably over the coming months and year.

When reflecting on the 2018 year, we should all be extremely proud of what we have accomplished. Our students have achieved outstanding academic results, participated and succeeded in numerous academic, artistic and sporting competitions, taken on new and exciting challenges on camps and grown as caring and optimistic young people. We have carried out extensive work on our school grounds with the introduction of the Outdoor Eco Centre and synthetic basketball courts. We held our very first Christmas Concert and it was a resounding success, even though I spent two days in traction with a serious back ailment thanks to Mr Cleary. A huge thank you goes to Mrs Daly and Ms Sumner for organising the night. I would also like to thank all the volunteers who assisted with the sausage sizzle, drinks and zooper doopers. These stalls covered the cost of the night.

Thank you Templestowe Park for a great 2018 and I wish you all a happy and very safe Christmas!

Farewell Grade 6 2018!

Last Tuesday night saw our Grade 6 students graduate from Templestowe Park PS. The formal ceremony was held at East Doncaster SC and it was a sensational occasion. It has been wonderful to see these students grow and mature over their seven years at Templestowe Park and the talent that resides within this group is astounding. I look forward to following their progress and celebrating their achievements in the coming years.

The graduation party in our school hall followed the ceremony. The Grade 6 parents on the graduation committee did an outstanding job decorating the hall and the students had a night to remember! I would like to thank Ms Mitchell, Ms Levinson and Ms Carson for the work they did in organising the graduation ceremony. It was a fitting celebration of our wonderful Grade 6 students' time at Templestowe Park. I wish our graduating class the very best in secondary school next year. They have been excellent role models for our new 2019 Grade 6 students.

Student Leaders for 2019

It is with much excitement and pride that I am able to announce the new student leaders for 2019. The selection process was extremely difficult as so many of our students were capable of fulfilling these roles. As we consistently discuss with our students, every child at Templestowe Park is a leader - particularly our Grade 6 students; and it is their responsibility to exhibit the school values and to do their best in all areas of school life.

Congratulations to the following students on their 2019 leadership roles. I know they will do an excellent job.

School Captains: Annie J and Eran D

House Captains:

Aumann House: Alicia S and Oliver T

Chivers House: Alicia B and Kosta L

Read House: Katie H and Shaya A

Unwin House: Christina C and Tyrone V



Junior School Council:

President: Ellyse B

Treasurer: Jake A

Language Captain: Amy B**Literacy/Numeracy Captains:** Zara C and Kris V-R**Performing Arts Captains:** Estelle H and Jed C**Sport Captains:** Taryn S and Archie W-S**STEM Captains:** Georgia M and Chloe F**Sustainability Captains:** Cate R and Harry M**Visual Arts Captain:** Chloe L**Wellbeing Captains:** Shylah W and Mila J**Farewell to Mrs Brasch, Tina & Anne**

In 2019 Mrs Bronnie Brasch, Tina Cheung (Educational Support) and Anne Ogenis (Educational Support) will be leaving Templestowe Park. I would like to thank all three of them for their outstanding contributions to the school. Mrs Brasch will undertake Casual Relief Teaching (CRT) in 2019 so you will see Bronnie around the school throughout the year. Tina and Anne have taken up positions at Donvale PS. I wish them all the best for 2019!

2018 Yearbook

Our 2018 yearbook was published a couple of weeks ago and it looks absolutely amazing! When you take a moment to look at all the opportunities that our students have, you can see why we are such highly regarded school. I would like to thank our volunteers for their tireless work on the magazine. We are so grateful of your efforts. Thank you: Barbara Froehling, Renae Guy, Anita Guyett, Nell Nicholson, Aoj Khan, Chally Ledesma, Tanya Wagner-Smith, Belinda Abdelmalak, Anlina Jone, Claire Nimmo, Eva Wong, Eleni Zafiroopoulos, Lauren Wilson, Charles Azzopardi, Sarah Black, Jenny Fotopoulos and of course Judith Manuel for her talent in bringing the whole production together.

SMART Spelling Program

As you are all aware, in 2018 we introduced a new approach to teaching spelling. The SMART (Say, Meaning, Analyse, Remember, Teach) method involves teachers teaching the meaning of words to expand vocabulary and then breaking words into syllables, sounds and letter patterns (graphs, digraphs and trigraphs). You would have experienced the spelling approach through the practice that your child has been doing at home.

To measure the effectiveness of our programs all students from Grades 1-6 undertook the standardised South Australian Spelling Test (SAST) in February. We then undertook the same assessment in November to measure the student growth over the year. The results are in and they are fantastic!

In the time period between the two tests, the students should have grown 9 months in their score. I am excited to say that all Year levels experienced exceptional growth in this period. The results ranged from 13 months growth to a whopping 30 months growth in only 9 months! These are outstanding results and I would like to congratulate the students and teachers for their hard work and commitment to improving their spelling. I am so proud of their effort!

Principals' Award

The final Principals' Award for 2018 goes to a very special Grade 3 girl. Congratulations to Bani J from 3I. Bani is a student who tries her very best at all times at school. She is a great friend who is caring and helpful to everyone she meets. Bani makes others feel good because there is always a smile on her face. We are so proud of Bani and her beautiful singing. Well done, Bani!

**Thank You to Julia Minett – PFA President**

Julia Minett will be stepping down as PFA President at the end of this year. Julia has been in the role for two years now and has done an absolutely sensational job. The PFA has run numerous breakfasts, term luncheons, walkathons, trivia nights, hot cross bun and chocolate drives and so much more. The money raised by the PFA has built playgrounds, contributed to the building of the OEEC, the laying of synthetic turf and paid for the installation of air-conditioning in the hall this coming January.

I would like to thank Julia for her tireless work, kindness and passion for our school. She has contributed greatly to our community and I am extremely grateful for everything she has done.

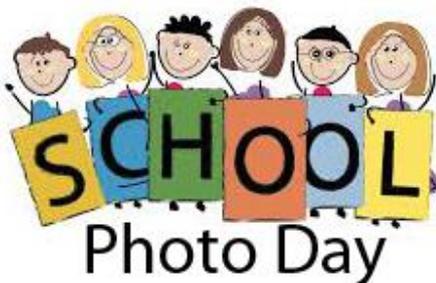
Student Free Day: Wednesday, 30th January 2019**Students Start School on Thursday, 31st January 2019**

All Grade 1-6 students will commence school in 2019 on Thursday, 31st January. On Wednesday, 30th all Templestowe Park PS staff will undertake first aid training.

Please place the 31st in your calendar, as the school year for many other students across Victoria will be on Wednesday, 30th. The school will also send out a reminder via Compass in the week prior to the commencement of school.

Merry Christmas and see you in 2019!

Mark Roberts
PRINCIPAL

SCHOOL PHOTOS

Our School Photos for 2019 have been booked for Friday, 1st March.

REUSABLE CANTEEN LUNCH ORDER BAGS

We have a small number of StickyBeaks Lunch Bags for sale if you would like to purchase one.

Cost: \$12.50 each.

These are lunch bags that are handy for frequent lunch orders from the school canteen. They have a small pocket for money/change and a few other features.



Please visit the school office if you would like to purchase one.

YEARBOOK 2019

We have a few Yearbooks from this year for sale if you would like to purchase one.

Cost: \$25.00 each.

The Yearbook is a wonderful keepsake and memento of your child's time at the school for the year.

Please visit the school office if you would like to purchase one.

SIGNIFICANT FUTURE DIARY DATES

Here are some diary dates for your information that go beyond the two-week calendar that is on the front page of the Newsletter, plus a few other dates that we really want you to remember.

Term 1, 2019

WEEK #1

- First Day Back Grades 1-6: Thursday, 31st January
- Prep 15 Minute Meet the Teacher: Thursday, 31st January
- Grades 3-6 House Swimming Sports: Friday, 1st February
- Prep First Day of School: Friday, 1st February

WEEK #3

- Grade 5/6 Camp: Sovereign Hill: Monday – Thursday, 11th - 14th February

WEEK #5

- School Photo Day: Friday, 1st March



PERFORMING ARTS

Congratulations to our 2018 Performing Arts Captains – Chantelle and Hayley on a magnificent job this year! They have risen to the challenges of their leadership role and done it with style and grace. In particular, well done to them both on their fantastic effort last Wednesday evening hosting our inaugural Christmas Concert.

A BIG thank you goes to the Dance Troupe and Choir members (listed below) who performed at our Christmas Concert on Wednesday, 12th December. It was a great opportunity to dance and sing to our wider school community. Thank you these girls for their dedication, attendance and tireless rehearsing both at home and in their lunchtimes.

Grace B	Marli W	Eva P	Avni G
Scarlett C	Annabelle W	Juliana R	Ivy L
Sara H	Mia N	Anni V	Maddi B
Bani J	Maddison T	Zoe W	Brianna L
Angie H	Estelle H	Chelsea Y	Daniella S
Ava T	Charlotte J	Minky B	Madi C

Congratulations to our past student, Thomas Currie for his recent outstanding work in the Performing Arts. Thomas recently wrote, produced and performed in his own Cabaret Show "The Curtain Rises" at the Doncaster Playhouse. The Show was a fabulous evening of entertainment with Thomas' revealing a captivating and charismatic performance. A testament to Thomas' extraordinary work, both seasons were sold -out with ticket sales helping implement anti-bullying programs Australian-wide in primary and secondary schools for the charity, Bully Zero.

Our past Performing Arts Captain, Hudson Sharp is currently performing the role of Billy in Andrew Lloyd Webber's 'School of Rock: The Musical' at Her Majesty's Theatre Melbourne. Congratulations Hudson!

To the Grade 6 students and to those departing our school, I wish you all the best with your future education and life's adventures.

"May love and laughter light your days and warm your heart and home.

May good and faithful friends be yours wherever you may roam.

May peace and plenty bless your world with joy that long endures.

May all life's passing seasons bring the best to you and yours."

~ An Irish Blessing – Author unknown ~

Welcome and congratulations to Estelle and Jed – the 2019 Performing Arts Captains. I am looking forward to working with you both, in what will be an exciting and busy year in Performing Arts.

Thank you to all the students for a fabulous year in Performing Arts! I shall look forward to working with you all next year. Wishing everyone a jolly festive season and a safe, happy new year!

Break a leg!

Jo Daly

PERFORMING ARTS TEACHER

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December 2018

Hi to all our wonderful families at OSHC. Well it's hard to believe that Christmas is just around the corner; we have had a fantastic year at OSHC with great arts and crafts, children using their imaginations and plenty of outdoor play.

I would like to wish all people at Templestowe Park a MERRY CHRISTMAS and hope you enjoy the break with family and friends.

As of next year before and after school care will be moving into the school hall so don't forget to come to the hall for drop offs and pickups.

Camp Australia will be running holiday clubs around your area so to find the closest you can visit the web site www.campastralia.com.au/holidayclubs or you can speak to me directly, enjoy the break.

Regards Harry
COORDINATOR

Program Details

We're here to make after school care visits the best experience possible – for you and your child.

If you have any questions about the program – please feel free to drop by, meet the team and see what happens in after school care first hand.

We look forward to seeing you soon.

To find out more about our program, view fees and to register visit www.campastralia.com.au

THE CAMP AUSTRALIA TEAM



Second-Hand and Lost & Found – School Uniforms - ONLY



Parents from the school have created a Templestowe Park "buy, swap and sell" group on Facebook in an effort to help families locate lost and found jackets and other items of uniform; it will also be a place to sell off old uniforms. We encourage you to look at the group to see if it helps you in any way.

The group can be found by clicking on the following link:
<https://www.facebook.com/groups/164130594118642/>.

The school's Uniform Shop will continue to sell any second-hand items that have previously been given to them, but all future items will be redirected to the above group.

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