

# TEMPLETON TIMES



*Pride in Performance*

**Term 4**  
Week 2  
15th October 2021

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## Calendar

### 2021 TERM 4

#### Week 2

Remote Learning

#### Week 3

Monday 18th October	Prep On Site Learning
Tuesday 19th October	Prep On Site Learning
Wednesday 20th October	Prep On Site Learning
Thursday 21st October	Grade 1 & 2 On Site Learning
Friday 22nd October	Grade 1 & 2 On Site Learning Prep 2022 Transition

#### Week 4

Monday 25th October	Prep On Site Learning
Tuesday 26th October	Prep, Grade 3 & 4 On Site Learning
Wednesday 27th October	Prep, Grade 3 & 4 On Site Learning
Thursday 28th October	Grade 1, 2, 5 & 6 On Site Learning
Friday 29th October	Grade 1, 2, 5 & 6 On Site Learning Prep 2022 Transition

#### Week 5

Monday 1st November	<b>Curriculum Day—Student Free Day</b>
Tuesday 2nd November	<b>Melbourne Cup Day Public Holiday</b>
Wednesday 3rd November	Prep, Grade 3 & 4 On Site Learning
Thursday 4th November	Grade 1, 2, 5 & 6 On Site Learning
Friday 5th November	Whole School Returns Prep 2022 Transition

#### Week 6

Monday 8th November	Grade 4 ICAS English
Friday 12th November	<b>Blue Day for St.Judes</b>



# Principal

## **'SQUID GAMES' ON NETFLIX**

Most of you will now be aware of a new show on Netflix called 'Squid Games'. I bring this to your attention as many primary aged children are watching this show which is considered most unsuitable for this age group.

Having watched a few episodes myself, I was very unsettled by its content, and I encourage all families to be aware of this show and supervise their children when using this service. There will be a second series out shortly so please be aware and monitor your children appropriately.

## **PREP ENROLMENTS 2023**

It's hard to believe that we are now looking towards 2023! With enrolments locked in for next year, we are now calling for sibling enrolments for 2023. If current families have a younger sibling due to start school in 2023, please contact our Enrolments Officer, Mrs Trudy O'Neill, to arrange an interview time with me. Once school tours can resume, we will commence enrolment tours for new families to our school. Sibling interviews only take around 15 minutes where I get the opportunity to meet our newest Templeton students.

## **RETURN TO SCHOOL ARRANGEMENTS**

Next Monday is a significant day in our life here at Templeton. It's when we get the opportunity to welcome back our youngest students. For many families this is a welcome relief but for some, the anxiety of returning to school is a daunting prospect.

Although we cannot guarantee that COVID won't make its way into our school, I can assure parents that we are doing all we can to prevent it occurring. We will be following the stringent government guidelines very closely and I ask all parents to do the same. Please...

- keep your child/ren at home if they are sick.
- send your Grade 3 to 6 child to school with a face mask.
- limit your child's exposure to unvaccinated adults.
- if possible, send only vaccinated adults to pick up students at the end of the day.
- read our Drop Off and Pick Up guidelines very carefully and follow them to the letter.

I sent them out on Xuno earlier this week and I include them here again as a reminder.

Please do not hesitate to contact us with any questions you may have.

## **DROP OFF & PICK UP GUIDELINES**

A reminder, that our goal is to keep our gate areas free of congestion so we limit the chances of the virus being spread should someone inadvertently bring the virus with them to pick up.

I summarise our guidelines below for your information:

### **ARRIVAL**

- ⇒ All students can arrive at school between 8.45am and 9.00am.
- ⇒ Prep & Grade 1 students enter through Crestdale Road main gate.
- ⇒ Grade 2 students enter through the Crestdale Road Tradesman's gate.
- ⇒ Grade 3 to 6 students enter through the Birchfield Crescent gates.
- ⇒ Siblings can enter together through any gate.

### **END OF THE DAY**

#### **PREP**

Prep students and their siblings will finish school **from Monday 18th October at 3.20pm** each day and leave through the **Crestdale Road main gate.**

Each Prep class will have a designated area outside the school gates where they will be collected by their parents.

Prep M and Prep S are located on the house side of Crestdale Road, whilst Prep V, Prep Z and Prep G will be located on the school side of Crestdale Road.

## **GRADE 1**

Grade 1 students and their siblings will finish school at **3.30pm** each day and leave through the Crestdale Road main gate.

Each Grade 1 class will have a designated area outside the school gates where they will be collected by their parents.

Grade 1C and Grade 1W are located on the house side of Crestdale Road, whilst Grade 1F, Grade 1N and Grade 1S will be located on the school side of Crestdale Road.

## **GRADE 2**

Grade 2 students and their siblings exit through Crestdale Road Tradesman's gate at **3.30pm** and walk across the crossing and meet their parents across the road in front of the houses.

## **GRADE 3 – 6:**

### **Guidelines for when Grade 3 to 6 students return in the week beginning Monday 25th October:**

Grade 3 – 6 students exit through the Birchfield Crescent gates at 3.30pm (except if they have a Prep, Grade 1 or Grade 2 sibling, they exit on Crestdale Road with them).

## **ADDITIONAL GUIDELINES**

All parents to please wait for their child/ren on the house side of Crestdale Road and Birchfield Crescent.

The only parents who need to be on the school side of Crestdale Road are Prep V, Prep Z, Prep G, Grade 1F, Grade 1N and Grade 1S parents.

## **NO OTHER PARENTS NEED TO BE NEAR OUR SCHOOL GATES ON EITHER CRESTDALE ROAD OR BIRCHFIELD CRESCENT.**

Parents are respectfully asked to remain off site until restrictions are lifted by the Education Department. Only one, vaccinated (if possible) parent to attend drop off and pick up.

The roped off area outside the main gate on Crestdale Road indicates the 'Adult Free Zone'. Please stay out of this area.

Parents of Grade 3 to 6 students are asked to find a spot away from the school to meet your child/ren.

We ask parents to plan their pickup route to school. Think about where you will park your car so that you avoid having to walk past our school gates. This is where the virus could be transferred to other people!

We thank you all once again for following our guidelines in order to keep us all safe.

In wishing you a restful and relaxing weekend with your family, I leave you with information regarding a free online information session on supporting your child starting school in COVID times and another video on the effects of COVID on children's physical health.

Have a great weekend.

**Rod McKinlay**

**Principal**

## **Supporting your child to start school in 2022 – free online information session for parents/carers in Outer East**

Starting school at any time can be exciting but also challenging for children and parents. Some children may have experienced disruptions to their kindergarten attendance due to the COVID-19 pandemic as well as restrictions to normal life. As a result, parents/carers may be feeling concerned about whether your child is ready for school. This webinar seeks to support parents and carers to understand what is involved in a positive transition to school and how this can be supported at home, as well as through strong links with children's kindergarten and school.

It will provide information and answers to the following questions:

- What is a positive transition to school?
- What does school readiness mean?
- What can I do to support my child prepare for school?
- What if my child has missed a lot of kindergarten?
- What if my child is feeling anxious about going to school?
- Where can I find more information?

### **Presented by:**

Louise Dorrat and Debbie Cole, who have extensive experience in early childhood education, including supporting parents and advising teachers about the transition to school.

**When:** Wednesday 10th November, 7pm – 8pm

### **Register:**

[Supporting your child to start school in 2022 - Outer East Tickets, Wed 10/11/2021 at 7:00 pm | Eventbrite](#)

1. **Effects of COVID-19 on children's physical health** <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=5c7M7xawWxo>  
Run by [5 experts from the RCH that discuss the research and evidence](#) of COVID including:
  - Questions parents have about COVID and kids
  - Kids and Delta
  - Returning to school
  - Vaccinations for 5 to 11 year olds
  - COVID and asthma
  - COVID compared with other infectious diseases
  - Coping with COVID, immunity after having COVID and long COVID
  - The importance of vaccinations across the household
2. **Supporting children's mental health during the pandemic and beyond** <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=y1DizMUOeng>  
Haven't had a chance to watch this yet.

**CONGRATULATIONS TO MR & MRS NELSON**

Welcome Harrison Nelson



# Knox Little Athletics Centre



Little Athletics caters for children aged 5 to 15 and includes sprints, middle-distance running, walks, hurdles, throws and jumps.

## 2021/22 SUMMER TRACK & FIELD SEASON SCHEDULED TO START 6 November 2021

Season runs from November 2021 until March 2022

Register Now – Registrations are open.

**See our website for more details**

2 weeks free try out available for new athletes  
Come and try and see what  
Little Athletics is all about!

**WANT TO  
KEEP FIT  
OVER  
SUMMER**

Location: Knox Athletics Track  
Bunjil Way, Knoxfield

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