

Templeton Times

Term 2 Week 2

5 May 2023

RESPECTFUL RELATIONSHIPS: Why are they so important?



Calendar **Term 2**

Coming up....

11th May	Mother's Day Stall
24th May	Grade 2 Incursion – Little Devil's Circus
26th May	Winter Round Robin Grade 3 Scienceworks Excursion
29th May	State Schools Spectacular Mass Choir Rehearsal State Schools Spectacular Dance Regional Rehearsal
30th May	Grade 6 Author Visit George Ivanoff
31st May	Grade 2 Author Visit Davina Bell
2nd June	Grade 6 Musical Rehearsal at Theatre Division Cross Country
5th June	Report Writing Day – No students at School
6th June	Grade 4 Author Visit Adrian Beck
7th June	Prep Planting Incursion
8th June	Grade 4 Author Visit Michael Wagner
9th June	Winter Round Robin

Term Dates **2023**

	Start	Finish
Term 1	30 January	6 April
Term 2	24 April	23 June
Term 3	10 July	15 September
Term 4	2 October	20 December



Principal Rod McKinlay

IT'S OPEN!

Our new ropes course has been a winner for both the Prep and Grade 1 students. I also see a number of our senior students enjoying the new playground afterschool!

I look forward to sharing our plans for further developments in our junior playground in the near future.

Plans for our senior playgrounds will start to formulate once our new building is completed and our old Grade 5 and 6 portables are taken away, leaving space which will be re-purposed for student play for our Grade 2 to 6 students.



CONGRATULATIONS: BLAKE DRURY

Congratulations to Blake Drury, Templeton Old Boy and 2016 School Captain. Blake plays his first game for North Melbourne on Sunday against the Saints! Blake's selection follows another old boy, Mac Andrew, who played his first game for the Suns last year.

On behalf of us all at Templeton, we pass on our congratulations and best wishes to Blake and his family and hope that Sunday is a great celebration of all the work Blake has put into his career so far.

Parents who haven't walked through our Hall of Fame outside the Library, should make a point of taking a look or jump on our website and go to archive. This is a reminder to all Templeton students that with hard work, determination and persistence any dream you have can be achieved!

Click on the link below to watch the announcement of Blake's selection or go to the North Melbourne FC website.

<https://www.nmfc.com.au/video/1322331/drawing-judges-reveal-shinboner-no-1052?videoid=1322331&modal=true&type=video&publishFrom=1683183300001>

Good luck Blake!



THE IMPACT OF ABSENTEEISM

Each week, I often receive feedback from parents on points or issues raised in our newsletters. At the end of last term, I received a great deal of feedback on the article about the impact of student absenteeism.

I was so pleased to hear that the article created a lot of discussion around the table at home and even at a number of birthday parties and parent get togethers.

The impact of absenteeism is real and it is critical that families understand and consider the impact that taking their child out of school will have on them and their education. It is not fair to put young children, who are just starting out on their educational journey, behind the eight ball so early in their education and particularly when they are just starting to learn the basic fundamentals of literacy and numeracy that everything else they will learn is built upon.

We of course understand that absenteeism is, at times, unavoidable and that family events occur outside school holiday times. It is important for parents to understand the educational impact of taking their child/ren out of school and acknowledge that there may be a need to lower expectations of their child/ren's level of achievement.

I hope these articles on absenteeism continue to get parents talking and that they take them into consideration when planning their next holiday!

IT'S A NEW WORLD!

Recently we have had cause for concern with a couple of parents texting their child on the child's smart watch during class time!

Please be aware that our policy on smart devices is very clear.

We encourage students to wear watches during the day to help them tell the time and to help them develop independence and manage their commitments ie: keeping an eye on the time for when their music lesson is to start etc.

However, with new technology comes new challenges and with many smart watches communication with others outside school can become an issue during the day.

Phones and smart watches are great for safety and communication with parents and family before and after school, however, the use of such devices is totally inappropriate during the day whilst students are at school.

If parents need to contact their child during the day, they need to contact the office who will then pass on a message.

Parents need to be aware that if smart watches are used inappropriately during the day, students will be asked to remove the watch and they will be held in secure storage until the end of the day.

Students who continue to use smart watches inappropriately will not be allowed to wear the device at school.

For further information please refer to our Mobile Phone and Wearable Devices Policy on our website.

CURRICULUM DAY - STUDENT FREE DAYS: Monday 5 June & Tuesday 13 June

Please be aware that the Department of Education have allowed schools to hold two Professional Development days in 2023 to allow teachers to attend professional development programs. One of these days is to be student free and in addition to our normal student free curriculum days.

At Templeton, our normal Curriculum Student Free Day will be held on **Monday 5 June**.

Our student free Professional Development Day will be held on **Tuesday 13 June**, following the King's Birthday holiday on Monday 12 June. A long weekend for a quick get away!

Please mark these two dates on your calendar in order to make the necessary arrangements for supervision of your child/ren.

Camp Australia will be operating on these two days if there are enough enrolments.

LIBRARY REFURBISHMENT

Our library refurbishment is almost finished. With new shelving installed and, with the help of an amazing group of parents, our books have been reshelved and ready to go for borrowing.

The new shelving looks fantastic and with new carpet being installed shortly and new furniture being ordered soon, our Library is going to be the best Primary School Library in Victoria!!

Grade 3 and 4 students are currently learning a great deal about our new literacy program called Accelerated Reader (AR) which will form a large part of their Library program. The AR program will add real academic rigor to our Library curriculum and we are looking forward to the benefits that the AR program will bring to our students' literacy results in the coming years.

The AR program has commenced in Grades 3 and 4 this year and will be rolled out into Grade 5 and 6 in 2024 and 2025. Grade 2 students who are excelling in reading will also participate in the AR in due course.

The investment in our Library infrastructure and curriculum programs is testament to our commitment to provide our teachers with the very best resources available to ensure that they have everything they need in order to create engaging, exciting and academically rigorous learning programs for our students.

It is my belief that Templeton students and teachers deserve the very best and we will continue to invest heavily in our literacy, numeracy, inquiry and student welfare programs, and not to mention our buildings and grounds re-development program, for the benefit of our students.

CURRICULUM INITIATIVES AT TEMPLETON

Finally, over the last few additions of the Newsletter we have been sharing a number of curriculum initiatives that are currently taking place here at Templeton.

This week, Mrs Andrea Edwards, Assistant Principal – Welfare, will be sharing with you information about our work with staff and students on building respectful relationships with each other and the skills required to form meaningful friendships.

Mrs Edwards' thought provoking article follows. I hope her article will also create a great deal of discussion in our community – it is a MUST read for both parents!

Have a great weekend.

Rod McKinlay
Principal

LEARNING ABOUT RESPECTFUL RELATIONSHIPS:

Why are they so important?

The recommendations from the Government's Royal Commission into Family Violence in 2014 highlighted the important role schools play in teaching respectful behaviour to all students, and to promote gender equity in all aspects of school communities. Very strong links between gender inequality and family violence have been proven and documented. At the heart of the Victorian Education Department's framework for improving student outcomes lies student engagement and wellbeing. *We know that a good education is about more than simply getting good marks, it is about supporting children to become respectful members of our communities who lead productive, healthy lives.* Templeton Primary School's Values and Student Profile are designed to support our students to achieve this goal which exists for all young Australians.

Learning to build healthy respectful relationships:

1. helps equip children with the skills to communicate positively and respectfully, build positive relationships and challenge stereotypes that don't support equality
2. positively impacts overall academic outcomes, mental health, classroom behaviour and student-teacher relationships

As adults we have the greatest potential influence to shape positive attitudes among young people. The words and language we use with children carry important messages about gender, power and respectful relationships. It is important to challenge stereotypical views and opinions as they can have a significant influence on children's interests and development. Breaking down these stereotypes will help children develop their own skills and interests.

Consider the following gender stereotypes that often do not raise an eyebrow and then consider the alternative options that remove the gender lens!

- 'boys don't cry' – emotions are important for everyone
- 'girls can't play certain sports'- sports are for everyone
- 'pink is too girly / 'blue is a boys' colour'- colours are for everyone
- 'My mum is a truck driver and I don't like telling people"- occupations are for everyone
- 'that's a boy's chore, I'm not doing that' - chores are for everyone
- 'Can I have two strong boys to help?' – Can I have two strong children to help?
- "That is not lady like" – Please use your manners
- "Did your Mum do your hair today?" – Your hair look's great who did it?

Thanks for considering!



Mrs Andrea Edwards – Assistant Principal

Student of the Week

Respect Resilience Integrity Empathy

Prep

- PG** Grace B for the awesome effort you put into making digital numbers this week.
Pia N for being such a kind, caring and hardworking student who always listens carefully.
- PM** Jett B for doing an awesome job on your holiday box for Show and Tell this week.
Amia J for being so organised every morning. You should be so proud of yourself.
- PS** Venmathi S for the excellent work and detail you put into making your holiday box.
Charlie H for your excellent listening skills and always trying your best at school.
- PV** Luka B for a fantastic start to Term 2. Keep up the super work.
Jesse M for your outstanding behaviour during our Superhero incursion. Well done.
- PZ** Oliver L for the great effort you put into your Show and Tell. Well done.

Year 1

- 1A** Aaron L for your amazing behaviour during our excursion to Puffing Billy. Keep it up.
- 1F** Ramaya P for working so hard to improve his handwriting skills. Keep it up.
- 1N** Daniel C for writing lots of details about your new skeleton that you made in class this week.
- 1S** Sosefo T for the wonderful way you have applied yourself in Numeracy this week.
- 1W** Steven L for being so engaged and knowledgeable during our inquiry about the human body.

Year 2

- 2A**
- 2F** Chloe Y for a tremendous effort in Maths this week. You are a Superstar.
Leo N for taking the time to create a diorama this week for Show and Tell.
- 2L** Angela H for your hard work and positive mindset during Maths this week. Keep it up.
- 2P** Anaali W for a fantastic attitude towards your learning in class and Maths groups.
Andy S for writing fantastic story starters. Well done.

Student of the Week

Respect Resilience Integrity Empathy

Year 3

- 3B** Zihe X for always showing respect and taking pride in your work.
Anirudh R for working well with others and sharing your ideas with the class. Keep it up.
- 3G** Xander E for being a respectful, kind and courteous student. Congratulations.
Diya S for your magnificent contributions to our inquiry topic of Earth Sciences. Well done.
- 3H** Ellie S for demonstrating outstanding leadership skills on more than one occasion.
- 3T** Benson W for enthusiastic participation in our Maths lesson this week. Well done.
Max Y for fantastic work on your narrative writing this week. Well done.

Year 4

- 4A** Ethan R you have grown so much in your confidence this year. Keep it up.
- 4M** Stella B for using incredible expression when reading dialogue out loud during guided reading.
- 4N** Aty B for writing a variety of sizzling starts for the short video clip we watched. Well done.
Kora L for a fantastic written and illustrated timeline on how honey goes from paddock to plate.
- 4S** Lilian T for always working diligently during class time. Keep up the great work.

Year 5

- 5C** Vincent K for showing great responsibility on our excursion to the Melbourne Museum.
Linda O you have made wonderful progress in writing and spelling. Keep up the great work.
- 5D** Emily S for your wonderful work with similes and metaphors. You are a star.
- 5N** Gwyneth C for making others feel valued. You are such a kind person.
- 5S** Emily H for your concentration and ability to recall the information that was taught in spelling.

Year 6

- 6C** Kyle C your contribution to class and optimism towards your learning is commended.
- 6H** Chloe W for an being enthusiastic participant during our writing sessions this week.
- 6J** Ray Q for always being an enthusiastic participant in our class discussions. Greta work.
- 6N** Angela L for displaying perseverance and determination during the Maths Olympiad. Well done.

PE NEWS

PEEP Surfing

Our PEEP program (Physical Education Extension Program) is designed to extend the sporting ability of some of our Grade 5 and 6 students. Students have the opportunity to learn a rotating selection of exciting sports such as surfing, ninja warrior, rock climbing, kayaking, bubble soccer, high ropes and water skiing. Students' past behaviour, sporting ability and maturity are taken into account when earning a position in PEEP, with our Physical Education teacher recommending students for final selection by the Principal.

This year our students will attend bubble soccer, kayaking and rock climbing/caving. During Term 1 our PEEP students went surfing at Smith's Beach, Phillip Island and we have uploaded the footage from the day onto the Templeton website. If you're interested in seeing our PEEP students surfing, please click the below link.

<https://templetonps.vic.edu.au/>

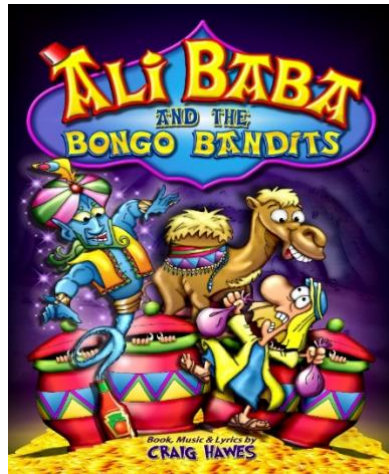
State School Victoria Swimming Championships

Congratulations to Leo from 4A who competed in the 50 metre backstroke event at the State School Victoria Swimming Championships on Thursday 28th April. To qualify for this event, Leo had to win through District, Divisional and Regional levels of competition. In a time of 41.37 seconds Leo finished in 3rd position in this event. What a fantastic achievement Leo! Well done!



Mr Josh Maroney - P.E. & Sports Coordinator

ALI BABA AND THE BONGO BANDITS



A MUSICAL SPECTACULAR NOT TO BE MISSED!

Did you know that our Year Six children star in an amazing musical every year?
It's a wonderful night of entertainment for
the whole family!

WHERE: FOREST HILL COLLEGE THEATRE
Mahoneys Road Burwood East.

WHEN: TUESDAY 19TH AND WEDNESDAY 20TH JUNE
(Last week of term two)
TIME: 7.30PM

TICKETS ARE ON SALE NOW THROUGH TRY BOOKING.
JUST HEAD TO **TRY BOOKING** AND TYPE IN TEMPLETON,

ALI BABA OR CLICK ON THIS LINK – <https://www.trybooking.com/CHFUE>

OUR PERFORMANCES ARE ALWAYS SELL -OUTS SO GET YOUR TICKETS FAST!
HOPE TO SEE YOU THERE!



Mrs Pamela Wood – Performing Arts Teacher

VISIT TO THE MELBOURNE MUSEUM Highlights!

On Wednesday, 26th April, the Grade 5s visited the Melbourne Museum.



I enjoyed Dynamic Earth because we got to see dinosaurs, amazing insects and glow in the dark gemstones. I also enjoyed Melbourne Story because I liked the gramophone that played nice music.

By Celine Z



Language Map

We visited the First Peoples' exhibit where we saw the Language Map, the possum skin, the Diprotodon and the Kooyang. Then, we went to Dynamic Earth where it showed us rocks and minerals. Can you believe it? We could measure our weight in gold!

By Rohan K



JK and Arvin V at the Language Map



Linda O and Amyrah K at the 'Marking Identity'

I'm at the Melbourne Museum, visiting the dinosaur section. I'm in a group with Rohan, Reyansh, Hani and Nathaniel. From there, we visited the First Peoples' exhibit. One of my favourite parts of the exhibit was the music room where they sang songs and told stories about the indigenous people...I loved visiting the Museum and would definitely go again.

By Annav P



Ms Marni Cousins, 5C



At the end of the day we watched a 3D Imax movie about a small crocodile, how he grew up and survived in the Kimberley. The crocodile's name was Casper. The movie was my favourite part of the day. The excursion was really fun and I hope I get to visit again soon.

By JK

MOTHERS' DAY STALL

THURSDAY 11th MAY 2023



Our annual Mothers' Day Stall will be held on Thursday 11th May in Templeton Heights between 9.00am and 1.00pm.

Items will be priced \$2.00, \$5.00 or \$10.00.

Children should bring their money in a safe purse or envelope and should also bring a plastic bag to take their gifts home in.

For those children who forget their money on Thursday, or for anyone wishing to buy extra gifts, all remaining items will be available for purchase after school on Friday 12th May outside the Library from 8.30am to 9.30am.

If you are available to help at the stall please add your name to the list at the Office. Even an hour of your time would be very much appreciated.



Mrs Andrea Edwards—Assistant Principal

Newsletter

Upcoming incursion:



REPTILE REBELS

WEDNESDAY 24th MAY – AFTER SCHOOL CARE

Join us on Wednesday 24th May, as we will be hosting a Reptile Rebels Incursion for all children to enjoy!

This term, we are going to learn about and meet some wild and wacky reptile friends, so come along and join us for a fun, engaging, and educational incursion.

To enrol your child into the incursion at no extra charge (other than the regular session fee), make sure you book into the After School Care program on Wednesday 24th May. If you have any questions, please see Lecia in the service, or call 0452 247 739.



Book now from your Parent Portal

Register for Your OSHC

Once registered, you'll be able to easily make and manage your bookings online via our Parent Portal.

Child Care Subsidy (CCS)

The Child Care Subsidy can provide up to 85% off your fees. Your eligibility is determined by your family's annual adjusted taxable income, the type of childcare you use, and your activity level. To find out if you're eligible, contact Centrelink on 13 61 50.



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WED MAY 3 to
WED JUNE 21

TIME

5:00 -
6.00PM

AGES

7-12
YEARS

8 WEEK COMPETITION
MIXED GENDER TEAMS

WAVERLEY SOFTBALL ASSOCIATION
JELLS RD, WHEELERS HILL

ENQUIRIES: WAVERLEYSOFTBALL@GMAIL.COM
OR SCAN THE QR CODE TO REGISTER:



Learn music

here at school

Come and join in the fun of learning to play keyboard, guitar, ukulele, here at Templeton Primary School.

Creative Music for Schools conducts a music program here at school each week.

Small group classes or one-to-one lessons of up to 30 minutes give children an excellent grounding in music where they will learn to read music and play their chosen instrument.

Enrolments are now being accepted for limited places in term 2.

Interested parents should call Nicholas during office hours on 9818 2333 or via email: nicholas@creativemusic.com.au

 Creative Music

www.creativemusic.com.au



Community Open Day

Knox SES

7 May 2023 from 3pm until 7pm

607 Burwood Highway, Knoxfield

Displays, raffles and more! We would love to see you!

