

# Templeton Times

Term 3 Week 4

4 August 2023

## Changing NAPLAN



**Pride in Performance**  
Respect   Resilience   Integrity   Empathy

# Calendar **Term 3**

## Coming up....

<b>8<sup>th</sup> August</b>	EMR Regional AFL Boys & Girls
<b>9<sup>th</sup> August</b>	Grade 4 Mapping Incursion Grade 5 Chinese Museum Excursion
<b>11<sup>th</sup> August</b>	District Athletics
<b>15<sup>th</sup> August</b>	Grade 6 ICAS English
<b>16<sup>th</sup> August</b>	SSS Mass Choir Rehearsal EMR Regional Soccer Boys & Girls State AFL Finals Boys
<b>17<sup>th</sup> August</b>	State AFL Finals Girls Grade 5 Incursion – Talk Money
<b>21<sup>st</sup> August</b>	Book Week Regional Tee Ball Boys & Girls
<b>23<sup>rd</sup> August</b>	Tony Bones Incursion
<b>25<sup>th</sup> August</b>	Book Week Dress Up Day
<b>29<sup>th</sup> August</b>	Grade 6 ICAS Maths
<b>30<sup>th</sup> August</b>	State Soccer Finals Boys & Girls

## Term Dates **2023**

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





# Principal Rod McKinlay

## WHAT IS GOING ON IN PREP?

Our Prep students looked like they had really grown up this year when they celebrated 100 days of prep! Dare I say it that our prep team have aged quite rapidly as well!



This week, the Preps have also been learning to skip count by tens. Each child made paperchains with 10 links. When putting the links together, the Prep children counted by tens to find out how many links they had altogether in the class.

Can you count the links the children are holding to find the Prep S total?



## GRADE 5 & 6 LEARNING CENTRE

Crestdale Road was overrun on Wednesday morning this week with concrete trucks, school buses and parent traffic when our second-floor slab was poured.

**We thank parents who were able to avoid driving on Crestdale Road at this time and we remind parents that you can't park on the school crossing or in front of the playground area and drop your children off. This is most dangerous!**

**When the drop off area is closed on Crestdale Road you can use the drop zone on Birchfield Crescent or park in another street and walk.**

Some drone pictures below show what was achieved on the day!





## **FRONT PLAYGROUND REDEVELOPMENT**

HMAS TEMPLETON is still on track to arrive at the end of August.

Works on the resurfacing around the playground commenced yesterday.

This will mean that the bottom Junior Primary playground will be closed for the remainder of the term and will, all going to plan, reopen first day of Term 4.

Works include:

- Leveling and resurfacing the area with synthetic grass – blue around the ship and green everywhere else
- Connection of the fire service to the new building
- HMAS TEMPLETON installation
- New seating

Students will be able to use the Prep lining up area, the path leading up to Grade 1 and the path to the main gate will remain open during this time.

## **START OF THE SCHOOL DAY - EARLY ARRIVALS AT SCHOOL**

Parents are reminded that children, **FOR SAFETY REASONS**, are not permitted to be dropped off and left at or near the school grounds before **8.45pm**.

**Parents are responsible for their children before 8.45am.**

**The school therefore does not take responsibility** for anything that happens to a child left by their parents prior to **8.45am**.

Teacher supervision commences at **8.45am** each morning.

Before School Care is organised by the school via Camp Australia should you need to drop your child/ren off before **8.45am**.

## **END OF THE SCHOOL DAY**

At the end of the school day our students can play in our grounds whilst teachers are on duty until 3.45pm.

The school bell will ring at 3.45pm which is a signal to everyone that it's time to leave Templeton and go home to rest and recuperate for the following day.

It's also a signal to our teachers that our grounds are clear, and they are free to start preparations for the following days lessons and activities.

Parents often ask if they can stay and supervise their own children on the playgrounds, however, this is not possible for several reasons:

1. Supervision of our playground toys and equipment is not to the level that we have during the day and often toys are broken, moved, misplaced or in fact they have gone missing.
2. Food wrappers from afternoon tea are left on our school grounds.
3. The Junior Primary top playground gate next to the Grade 1 building is left open.
4. Sand is taken out of the sand pit and distributed all over our new grassed area.
5. Most importantly if accidents occur there are no staff available to look after the injured student.
6. Together with this, there have been cases where families have tried to sue the Education Department for injuries that occurred to students outside school hours on school grounds.

I certainly won't be dealing with that sort of situation!

We thank our parents for their understanding and support in making their way home once they hear the bell at **3.45pm** each day and for supervising their children prior to **8.45am** each morning. (The Prep and Grade 1 parents do this exceptionally well!).

## **CURRICULUM INITIATIVES @ TEMPLETON**

In the last edition of Templeton Times, Mrs Edwards asked how you are? This week Mr Marc Crilly, Assistant Principal, will be bringing you up to speed with the changes to NAPLAN and how we are embracing the new system.

Have a great weekend everyone.

**Rod McKinlay**  
**Principal**

# Changing NAPLAN



*The only way to make sense out of change is to plunge into it, move with it, and join the dance*

**Alan Watts**

At Templeton, we indeed embraced the changes of 2023 NAPLAN and moved with the times. We adjusted our preparation, developed new timelines and invested in new hardware to ensure our students were provided optimum conditions for success. And judging by our results, we didn't just join the dance. We headlined Saturday Night Fever and Strictly Ballroom with a sprinkle of Travolta and Mercurio.

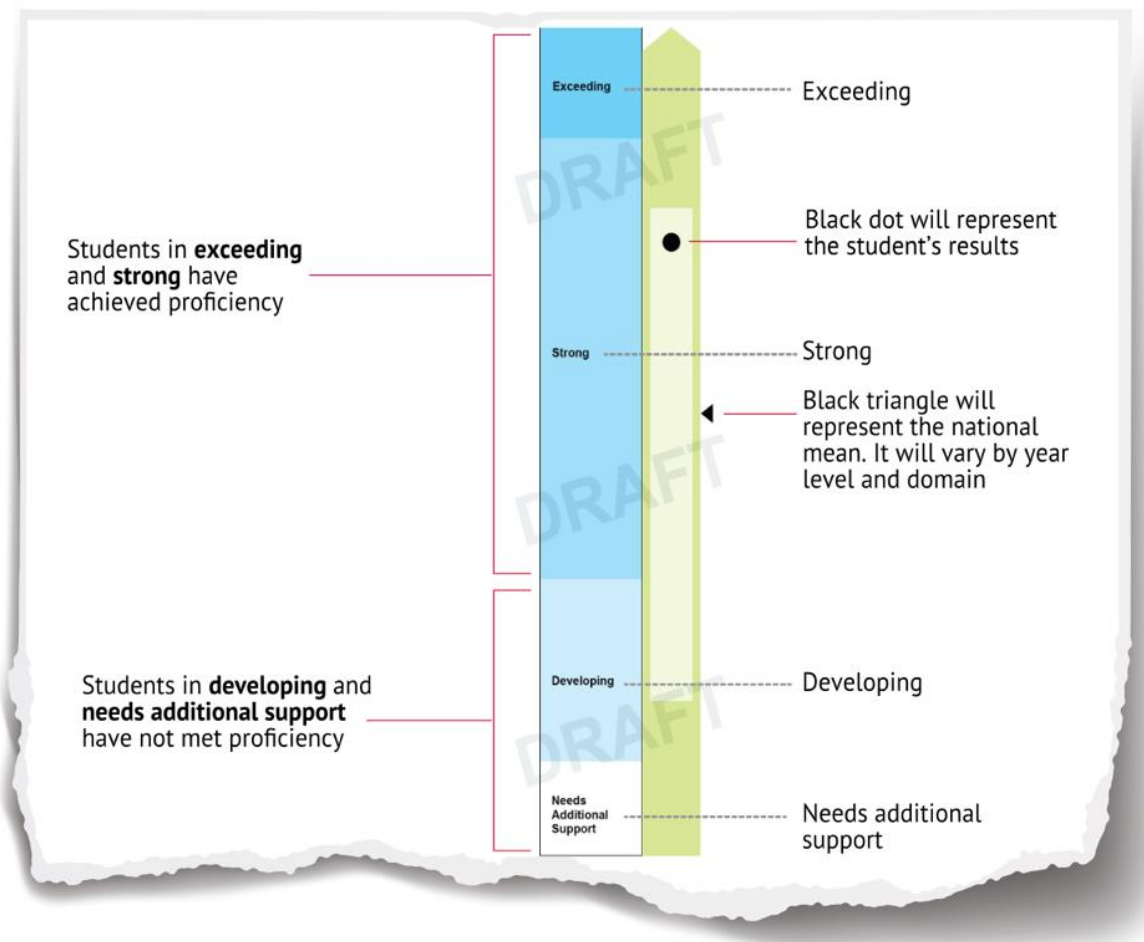
By now our Year 3 and 5 students have received their NAPLAN results for 2023, and may have noticed some significant changes in scores, scaling and graphics. In the last twelve months the Victorian Education Department have adjusted NAPLAN to provide a more detailed and accurate assessment of student achievement levels.

New standards have replaced the previous achievement levels, with students achieving within four bands – **Exceeding, Strong, Developing, Needs Additional Support**.

In previous years, all students in a year level would complete the same test. However, 2023 NAPLAN featured personalised testing, meaning that each student received a unique test based on their level of achievement. Personalised testing was aimed at ensuring each student was tested at the appropriate level.

Tests remained online, with students completing four sections: reading, writing, language conventions, and numeracy. The tests focused on real-world problem-solving skills to ensure that students may apply their skills in practical situations.

The changes to the NAPLAN tests also resulted in a change in the testing period. Instead of taking place in May, NAPLAN tests were conducted in March, giving teachers and schools more time in the school year to act on gaps identified by the testing, and allowing teachers to plan specific, targeted lessons.



So, just how well did our Year 3 and 5 students perform? We compare our results initially against 'Like Schools' and 'Local Schools'. 'Like Schools' are schools with a similar demographic, student population and SFO (Student Family Occupation). 'Local Schools' are all the schools within the Knox Network. The percentages below are the number of students who achieved **Exceeding** or **Strong**:

### Year 3

	Reading	Writing	Spelling	Numeracy	Grammar
<b>Templeton</b>	<b>94%</b>	<b>94%</b>	<b>93%</b>	<b>93%</b>	<b>84%</b>
Like	88%	93%	84%	88%	81%
Local	77%	87%	66%	77%	67%



## Year 5

	Reading	Writing	Spelling	Numeracy	Grammar
<b>Templeton</b>	<b>94%</b>	<b>91%</b>	<b>94%</b>	<b>90%</b>	<b>90%</b>
Like	91%	92%	88%	89%	84%
Local	80%	80%	71%	73%	67%

We are delighted with our students' results this year. We have again scored well above expectations in all areas and continued to lead the way in Knox. Congratulations is also extended to our entire school community. It is important to acknowledge that this is a team effort, with every stakeholder from parents, carers, teachers and students contributing to our synergy as a school. But, despite our ongoing success, we will always strive to improve. We will keep embracing change to ensure we remain ahead of the pack; learning every new dance that comes our way. And if you are lucky, we might see Mr McKinlay perform some of his finest Footloose moves at assembly on Monday!

Have a great weekend and go the Mighty Pies,

**Marc Crilly**  
**Assistant Principal**

# Student of the Week

Respect Resilience Integrity Empathy

## Prep

- PG** Erietta T for the amazing effort you put into this week's Maths lessons on addition. Keep it up.
- PM** Armayel K for your excellent effort this week and producing great work. Well done.
- PS** Laura Q for the effort and enthusiasm you are putting into your learning. Keep up the great work.
- PV** Darcy W for your excellent behaviour and participation during our excursion to Kew Traffic School.
- PZ** Sherry W for your excellent participation on our excursion to Kew Traffic School. Well done.

## Year 1

- 1A** Aanya P for your tremendous effort in our Literacy sessions. You should be proud of your efforts.  
Jay W for always striving to do your best, particularly during this week's inquiry. Well done.
- 1F** Melvin C for challenging yourself when exploring and calculating differences between numbers.  
Stella C for excellent work during our Living and Non-Living sorting task in Literacy this week.
- 1N** Billie M for thinking of lots of wonderful rhyming words in class this week. Well done.  
Justin Z for working hard in Mathematics this week and creating an accurate clock face. Well done.
- 1S** Roy C for the care and effort you put into the presentation of your work. You are a 1S Superstar.  
Martin W for being a wonderful member of 1S. You are friendly, caring and always happy to help.
- 1W** Vivaan S your narrative about the football game was exciting and suspenseful. Well done.  
Luna Q you are a delightful student and we are so happy that you are a part of Grade 1W.

## Year 2

- 2A** Charlotte L for your enthusiasm and concentration during inquiry this week. Keep up the great work.  
Karen L for your outstanding behaviour on our excursion to CERES excursion. We are proud of you.
- 2F** Aarav M for being a kind and considerate member of the class and making others feel included.  
Anna C for being a cooperative member of your group on our excursion to CERES. Well done.
- 2L** Elaine L for your kind and respectful attitude in 2L. Keep up the fantastic work Elaine.  
Oliver L for your ability to handle yourself in tricky situations. The resilience is shining.
- 2P** Tommy T for excellent work when writing Information Reports. So many facts in your description.  
Jolene L for excellent work when identifying the Main Idea in texts. Keep up the great work.

# Student of the Week

Respect Resilience Integrity Empathy

## Year 3

- 3B** Owen K for sharing ideas more often in class during whole class discussions. Keep up the great work.  
George R for showing our school values when visiting the Melbourne Zoo this week. Well done.
- 3G** Gurnaaz B for your fantastic work during Maths this week. Keep up the great work, Gurnaaz.  
Chloe L for your care and attentiveness during our excursion to Melbourne Zoo. Well done.
- 3H** Ayvah T for working hard in Mathematics this week, skip counting and learning the 3 times table.  
Alexis H for being an AR Superstar! Keep up the great reading Alexis.
- 3T** Amelia C for your wonderful contributions during reading this week. Well done.  
Yana B for amazing work during Maths groups this week. Keep up the great work, Yana.

## Year 4

- 4A** Sophia J for the excellent effort you put into our angles lessons this week. Keep up the great work.
- 4M** Torres W for putting yourself out there and offering your input during class discussions. Keep it up.  
Ethan W for writing an excellent explanation piece about the life cycle of a chicken. Well done.
- 4N** Aaryan S for working well in Maths this week, using a protractor to accurately measure angles.  
Emma L for working well in Guided Reading groups this week. Great work.
- 4S** Cynthia Y for being an attentive listener throughout our Inquiry lesson this week. Well done.  
Nicole W for writing an excellent explanation on "How a Chicken Hatches". Great work.

## Year 5

- 5C** Richard F for working hard to improve your time management to ensure work is completed on time.  
Malaika D-T for your participation at Hoop Time and being a wonderful team member. Well done.
- 5D** Sophia Y for having an enthusiastic, diligent, and creative approach to your board game. Well done.  
Alice S for the care and pride you take each week, when completing your homework. Well done Alice.
- 5N** Jayden L for coming to school everyday with a positive attitude and being kind to others. Well done.  
Selwyn B for your vivid description of a "Dangerous Cave." Keep up the great work.
- 5S** Daniel B for your ability to work with your partner during our writing sessions this week. Keep it up.  
Zara P for consistently coming to school with an excellent attitude. Keep up the excellent work Zara!

## Year 6

- 6C** Ayesha R for your excellent thinking in Mathematics. Well done and keep up the great work.
- 6H** Asher M for sharing some excellent insights and ideas during Literature Circles this week. Well done.  
Sadie B for your excellent insights and comments during our Inquiry Sessions.
- 6J** Archana C for coming to school with a positive attitude and for always giving 100%. Well done.
- 6N** Cooper K for playing a vital role in responding to an emergency situation. Well done.

# AFTER SCHOOL CRICKET CLINICS

Templeton Cricket Club have aligned with Cricket Victoria to offer a FREE four week skill development program to be held at Templeton Primary School. This is a great opportunity extended to all of our students to learn or further develop the skills of cricket while having fun. Please see the flyer below which has all the details regarding dates, times and how to register.



**FUN IS IN FULL SWING!**

Join Woolworths Cricket Blast  
A safe way to have fun and stay active for kids of all abilities.

**CV WOOLWORTHS COMMUNITY FUND PROGRAM**  
**TEMPLETON PRIMARY SCHOOL**  
**24, 31 AUG, 7 & 14 SEPT FROM 3:45PM - 5:00PM**  
**SCAN THE QR CODE TO REGISTER**




**SIGN UP TODAY!**

Play Cricket

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## JUNIOR PATHWAY



From Woolworths Cricket Blast through the Junior Cricket stage, all kids can advance their skills and discover how awesome it is to be part of a team through fun game-based activities. The stages have been developed based on academic research, testing and community feedback.



This includes consideration for physical, mental and emotional development. Participation and progression through the stage is based on ability level, therefore the ages are indicative only. Players are encouraged to participate at a stage appropriate for them.

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>SKILLS BASED FIRST CRICKET EXPERIENCE</li> <li>LEARN THE SKILLS THROUGH FUN, MODIFIED GAMES</li> <li>PREPARE KIDS FOR JUNIOR CRICKET</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>DURATION 60-MINUTES</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>LEARN THE SKILLS THROUGH GAMES</li> <li><b>UP TO 10 YEARS</b> <small>Ages 6-10/11 years only</small></li> </ul>
<b>JUNIOR CRICKET 1</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>7 PLAYERS</li> <li>80M PITCH</li> <li>20 OVERS</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>50M BOUNDARY</li> <li>DURATION 60M</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>LEARN THROUGH PLAY</li> <li><b>UNDER 11</b> <small>Ages 6-10/11 years only</small></li> </ul>
<b>JUNIOR CRICKET 2</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>8 PLAYERS</li> <li>80M PITCH</li> <li>30/40 OVERS</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>50M BOUNDARY</li> <li>DURATION 70-90M</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>PLAYING THE GAME</li> <li><b>UNDER 13</b> <small>Ages 8-12/13 years only</small></li> </ul>
<b>JUNIOR CRICKET 3</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>11 PLAYERS</li> <li>100M PITCH</li> <li>20/40 OVERS</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>50M BOUNDARY</li> <li>DURATION 80-120M</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>PLAYING AND COMPETING</li> <li><b>UNDER 14-18</b> <small>Ages 12-18 years only</small></li> </ul>



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**Mrs Kristi Johnson – Sick Bay Nurse**

## **STUDENT ACHIEVEMENT IN CALISTHENICS**

Emma Li in 4N has been doing Calisthenics for the past 5 years. Last weekend she participated in Calisthenics Victoria CaliChamp Competitions 2023 and won the Championship with her team. They participated in five different dances. Her favourite activity is “Freearm”. Congratulations Emma!



**“Emma and her coaches”**



**Mrs Sharelle Nicholas – Grade 4 Coordinator**