

# Thomastown West Primary School Newsletter



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## 2023 IMPORTANT DATES:

Mon	24 July	<b>Monday Muster:</b> Parents welcome to visit their child's classroom and view their work. <i>3.15-4.35pm (Please note: This is not a Parent/Teacher conference)</i>
Wed	2 Aug	<b>Winter Wonderland: Pyjama Day</b> (Out of Uniform day)
Tue	8 Aug	<i>100 days of learning – Celebration P-2</i>
Fri	11 Aug	Hoop time Basketball Tournament Gr 5/6
Mon Fri	14-18 Aug	Science Week
Tue	15 Aug	School Council Meeting
Mon Fri	21-25 Aug	Book week
Fri	25 Aug	Prep Circus day
Fri	25 Aug	5/6 Girls Futsal Tournament
Tue Thurs	29-31 Aug	Fathers Day stall
Thur	7 Sept	<b>Whole School Concert</b>
Wed	13 Sep	<i>Footy Day Parade and Hot lunch</i> (Out of Uniform day)
Fri	15 Sept	<b>Last day term 3</b> Students dismissed at 1.15pm
Mon	2 Oct	<b>First day term 4</b> Students arrive on time at quarter to nine.
Mon	6 Nov	<b>**NEW**</b> In 2023 students are expected to attend school the Monday before Melbourne Cup Public Holiday.

## *From the Assistant Principal*

Welcome back to Term 3 everybody, and especially to Mrs Young, who had an amazing trip to Africa. The photos in last week's newsletter were amazing. It has been lovely to hear about what students and families did during their school holiday time.

I went away with my family to sunny and warm Whitsunday islands. We had a lot of pool time and beach time, and went snorkeling along the reef. We saw a reef shark, a giant turtle, hundreds of tropical fish and dozens of stingrays. We stayed for over 9 days! I also climbed to the top of the biggest slide I've ever seen and went down with my kids. You can see me circled in the picture on the next page, of the gigantic playground at Airlie Beach. Then we all went to Sydney to meet my new niece Phoebe and visit with a lot of my extended family.

### **Social Media talk with Guy Roberts from Vic Police**

In grade 5/6, students are introduced to the crucial topics of online safety and social media rules and laws, as they reach an age where their online presence and interactions become more significant. From the age of 10, people can be charged and arrested for online bullying. Students learnt that participating in online bullying, including commenting and sharing offensive content, can have severe consequences, extending beyond emotional harm. They discovered that actions can lead to legal consequences, involving law enforcement agencies, and that fake accounts can be traced quickly once reported. The students gained a clear understanding that both the individuals directly involved in the bullying and the creators of offensive content can face criminal charges. This valuable knowledge was imparted to them through the expertise of Guy Rogers from Victoria Police, who dedicated his time and effort to run an informative session for the students.

Thank you to police officer Guy Rogers for his valuable contribution to our school's eSafety program! Guy's talk consolidated our students' understanding of the importance our school values being demonstrated when online at school, as well as when online at home. **TWPS encourages all students to be safe and respectful when working or playing in a digital environment.**

### **Phones Policy**

The Department of Education Victoria has policies about mobile phones at all government schools. Our policy at Thomastown West Primary School is on pages 5-8. Students who bring a phone or device to school are expected to hand their phones into the office as soon as they arrive at school. Phones are locked away securely in the office. The link below shows the Victorian Department of Education policy for phones in many languages.

<https://www.vic.gov.au/mobile-phones-schools>



## Preps Quantum excursion

On Wednesday, the prep students attended an excursion to Quantum Victoria. All students learnt about the 5 senses and had a fabulous time. See the photos on page 9.



## Maths Challenge

**How do you see the shapes growing in this pattern?**

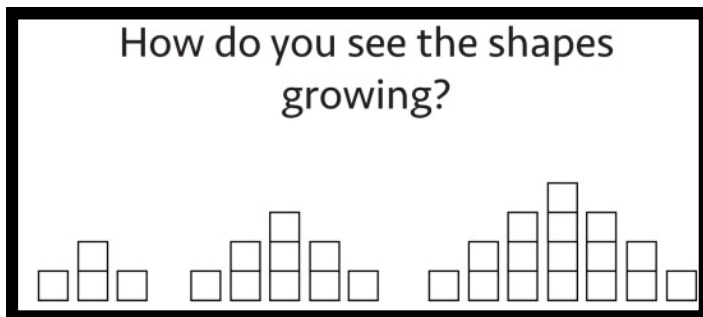
Draw and/or colour and explain your answer to Mr Crotti to win a prize at assembly.

### Extra challenge:

How many squares would be in the next shape in the pattern?

### Boss level challenge:

How many squares in the 10th shape in the pattern?  
How do you know?



*James Crotti*

Assistant Principal



# ASSEMBLIES: 2:30pm Fridays

<b>WHOLE SCHOOL ASSEMBLY</b> Multipurpose Room/ Basketball court	<b>TEAM ASSEMBLY</b> In your child's building
Week 2 Friday 21st July ✓	Week 3 Friday 28th July
Week 4 Friday 4th August	Week 5 Friday 11th August
Week 6 Friday 18th August	Week 7 Friday 25th August
Week 8 Friday 1st September	Week 9 Friday 8th September
Week 10 Friday 15th September <b>12:00pm</b> (last day of Term 3)	



# **Now for some very special news about a super important event!**

The **TWPS CONCERT** is going to be held at the end of this term.

It has been 4 long years since our last great production!

Over the next few weeks, lots of important information will be sent out on Class Dojo and in the Newsletter.

Everyone is expected to join in, and have fun learning new skills while creating special memories that will stay with you for a lifetime!

The most important thing to remember today is to

**SAVE THE DATE:**

**Thursday, 7<sup>th</sup> September**

**The Concert will be held in the Thomastown Secondary College  
ECCA (Gym) and will start at 7.30pm.**

Check out the Concert Flyer in the Newsletter designed by Rosalina using Canva. Each week a different flyer with important information will be posted. Our talented graphic artists have been very busy designing more posters, making props and fabulous costumes for the **BIG NIGHT!**





# **TWPS CONCERT 50 YEARS YOUNG!**

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**PLACE-THOMASTOWN  
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GYM**

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singing, dancing and acting  
by our talented students!



# Starting primary school?

Starting school is an exciting time for children, parents and carers.

The first year of primary school is called Foundation or Prep.

Below are some simple steps you should follow to enrol your child in a Victorian government primary school.

## Before filling out an application

Read about when and how to enrol on our website



Make sure your child is the right age to start school



Find your local school and other nearby government schools at **[findmyschool.vic.gov.au](https://findmyschool.vic.gov.au)**



Contact primary schools to book a tour, visit or for further information



## Applying for Foundation enrolment

Get an application or enrolment form from the primary school



Gather the required documents



Submit everything to the primary school by the due date in the timeline



Wait for the school to contact you



**You can find out more at:**

Enrolling in  
Foundation (Prep) |  
Victorian Government



Department  
of Education



# ENROL FOR PREP 2024

## BOOK A TOUR

TOGETHER WORKING ON PATHWAYS TO SUCCESS

Thomastown West Primary School provides comprehensive, child centred, educational programs in all of the key learning areas:

- Exemplary Literacy Program
- Oral Language Program
- Engaging/Challenging Numeracy Program
- Digital Technologies
- Outstanding Visual Arts Program
- Music and Instrumental Tuition
- An Investigative Science Program (STEM)
- Encouraging Physical Education Program

### Support Programs:

- Perceptual Motor Program
- Student Welfare and Support
- Literacy Intervention
- Koorie Literacy and Numeracy Program
- Choir and School Band
- Whole School Buddies Program
- Before and After School Care
- School Wide Positive Behaviour Program

### FOR MORE INFO

- 📞 9465 4317
- ✉ [thomastown.west.ps@education.vic.gov.au](mailto:thomastown.west.ps@education.vic.gov.au)
- 📍 98-112 Main St, Thomastown, 3074



**RESILIENCE RESPONSIBILITY RESPECT EMPATHY**  
**STRIVE TO BE OUR BEST**





## **Thomastown West Mobile Phones Policy 2020 - 2023**

Thomastown West Primary School is committed to providing a safe, secure and stimulating learning environment for all students. We understand that students reach their full potential only when they are happy, healthy and safe, and that a positive school culture helps to engage students and support them in their learning. Our school acknowledges that student wellbeing and student learning outcomes are closely linked.

### **PURPOSE**

To explain to our school community, the Department of Education's and Thomastown West Primary School's policy requirements and expectations relating to students using mobile phones during school hours.

### **SCOPE**

This policy applies to:

1. All students at Thomastown West Primary and,
2. Students' personal mobile phones and smart watches (brought onto school premises during school hours, including recess and lunchtime).

### **DEFINITIONS**

For the purpose of this policy, "mobile phone" refers to mobile phones and any device that may connect to or have a similar functionality to a mobile phone such as smart watches.

### **POLICY**

Thomastown West Primary School understands that students may bring a personal mobile phone to school, particularly if they are travelling independently to and from school.

At Thomastown West Primary School:

- Students who choose to bring mobile phones to school must have them switched off and securely stored in the school office during school hours
- Exceptions to this policy may be applied if certain conditions are met (see below for further information)
- When emergencies occur, parents or carers should reach their child by calling the school's office.

### **Personal mobile phone use**

In accordance with the Department's [Mobile Phones Policy](#) issued by the Minister for Education, personal mobile phones must not be used at Thomastown West Primary School during school hours, including lunchtime and recess, unless an exception has been granted.

Where a student has been granted an exception, the student must use their mobile phone for the purpose for which the exception was granted, and in a safe, ethical and responsible manner.



## **Thomastown West Mobile Phones Policy 2020 - 2023**

### **Secure storage**

Mobile phones owned by students at Thomastown West Primary school are considered valuable items and are brought to school at the owner's (student's or parent/carer's) risk. Students are encouraged not to bring a mobile phone to school unless there is a compelling reason to do so. Please note that Thomastown West Primary School does not have accident insurance for accidental property damage or theft. Students and their parents/carers are encouraged to obtain appropriate insurance for valuable items. Refer to the Thomastown West Primary School's Personal Property Policy AND/OR the Department's [Personal Goods policy](#).

Where students bring a mobile phone to school, Thomastown West Primary school will provide secure storage. Secure storage is storage that cannot be readily accessed by those without permission to do so. At Thomastown West Primary school students are required to store their phones at the front office of the school in the Administration building. Students will be provided with a resealable plastic sleeve marked with their name. This bag, containing the phone will be placed in a lockable cupboard for the duration of the day. At 3:15pm, students will be able to access their phones, returning the plastic, resealable bag to the office for future use.

### **Enforcement**

If found to have a mobile phone, Thomastown West Primary School staff will instruct the student to hand over the item(s) and if the student refuses to hand over the items, implement the relevant disciplinary provision within the schools School Wide Positive Behaviour procedures and Student Engagement, Wellbeing and Inclusion Policy. .

Students who use their personal mobile phones inappropriately at Thomastown West Primary school may be issued with consequences consistent with our school's Student Wellbeing, Engagement and Inclusion Policy.

At Thomastown West Primary School inappropriate use of mobile phones is **any use during school hours** (including school evening events eg. Kaboom Sports, concerts, camps, excursions and while on school grounds before and after school), unless an exception has been granted, and particularly use of a mobile phone:

- in any way that disrupts the learning of others
- to send inappropriate, harassing or threatening messages or phone calls
- to engage in inappropriate social media use including cyber bullying
- to capture video or images of people, including students, teachers and members of the school community without their permission
- to capture video or images in the school toilets, changing rooms, swimming pools and gyms
- during exams and assessments

### **Exceptions**

Exceptions to the policy:

- may be applied during school hours if certain conditions are met, specifically,
  - Health and wellbeing-related exceptions (such as a student with diabetes may use their mobile phone to monitor their blood sugar); and
  - Exceptions related to managing risk when students are offsite.
- can be granted by the principal, or by the teacher for that class, in accordance with the Department's [Mobile Phones Policy](#).





## **Thomastown West Mobile Phones Policy 2020 - 2023**

The three categories of exceptions allowed under the Department's [Mobile Phones Policy](#) are:

### ***1. Learning-related exceptions***

<b>Specific exception</b>	<b>Documentation</b>
For specific learning activities (class-based exception)	Unit of work, learning sequence
For students for whom a reasonable adjustment to a learning program is needed because of a disability or learning difficulty	Individual Learning Plan, Individual Education Plan

### ***2. Health and wellbeing-related exceptions***

<b>Specific exception</b>	<b>Documentation</b>
Students with a health condition	Student Health Support Plan
Students who are Young Carers	A localised student record

### ***3. Exceptions related to managing risk when students are offsite***

<b>Specific exception</b>	<b>Documentation</b>
Travelling to and from excursions	Risk assessment planning documentation
Students on excursions and camps	Risk assessment planning documentation
When students are offsite (not on school grounds) and unsupervised with parental permission	Risk assessment planning documentation
Students with a dual enrolment or who need to undertake intercampus travel	Risk assessment planning documentation

Where an exception is granted, the student can only use the mobile phone for the purpose for which it was granted.

### **Camps, excursions and extracurricular activities**

Thomastown West Primary School will provide students and their parents and carers with information about items that can or cannot be brought to camps, excursions, special activities and events, including personal mobile phones. The enforcement of inappropriate access and use of mobile phones on camps, excursions and extracurricular activities is as described in the enforcement section of this policy.

### **Exclusions**

This policy does not apply to

- Out-of-School-Hours Care (OSHC)
- Travelling to and from school



## **Thomastown West Mobile Phones Policy 2020 - 2023**

### **RELATED POLICIES AND RESOURCES**

- TWPS Student Wellbeing, Engagement and Inclusion Policy
- Student Code of Conduct
- [Mobile Phones – Department Policy](#)
- [Ban, Search and Seize Harmful Items](#)
- [Personal Goods – Department policy](#)

### **EVALUATION**

- This policy will be reviewed as part of the Thomastown West Primary School four year policy review cycle.

<b>Date Implemented</b>	2016; 2020
<b>Author</b>	Principal Assistant Principal TWPS Leadership Team
<b>Approved By</b>	School Council
<b>Date Reviewed</b>	October 2016; February 2020
<b>Responsible for Review</b>	Assistant Principal
<b>Review Date</b>	20/2/2023
<b>References</b>	Victorian Government Schools Policy Advisory Guide



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# Prep Excursion

LEARNING ABOUT THE  
**5 SENSES**







# Stars of the Week



## Term 3- Week 2

Amira	2	For striving to be her best during all classroom activities.
Aiyana	3	Always working to the best of her ability and taking pride in her work.
Giselle	4	For being a sensible and hardworking member of the class who always makes good choices.
Sara Leila	5	For making new friends when settling into her new school. For settling into her new classroom with positivity and confidence.
Thayla	6	For striving to be her best when working independently and having a go when work is challenging.
Cruze	9	For striving to do his best in writing and using amazing vocabulary in his narrative.
Cyrus Dalat	10	For striving to do his best in writing and using amazing vocabulary in his narrative. For a great start to the term and for being an excellent role model in the class.
Steven Issa	11	For his enthusiasm in writing. He gave careful consideration to the writer's tools to enhance his writing. For his efforts in researching facts about Lebanon.
Yasmin Fatima	12	For working well in Maths and completing all Maths tasks in class. For always willing to take part in classroom discussions.
Eli	15	For writing an amazing descriptive piece, painting vivid imagery about cherry blossom trees.
Tyler	16	For being an amazing example for showing all the school values in the classroom and having an amazing learning attitude.
Amer	17	For a wonderful and positive start to term 3.
Yousef A Matthew	18	Welcome to Thomastown West Primary School and Room 18 For demonstrating responsibility and being a good role model and Class Captain for our grade.
Mariam A Rm 9		<b>PE:</b> For her great basketball skills and knowledge.


# EVERY DAY OF LEARNING COUNTS

## Term 3 Week 1 Student Attendance Report

As part of the Department of Education *Every Day Counts* initiative, schools report attendance in percentages. **The Government regard 95% as the minimum satisfactory attendance for a school student.**

The percentages in the table below indicates the average attendance for each class for this week.

The shaded boxes below indicate which classroom has the highest level of attendance for their year level.

Prep	Last Week of Term	This Week	Year 3/4	Last Week of Term	This Week
Room 2	79%	80%	Room 9	88%	91%
Room 3	82%	95%	Room 10	82%	92%
Year 1/2	Last Week	This Week	Room 11	88%	92%
Room 4	85%	89%	Room 12	82%	86%
Room 5	82%	83%	Year 5/6	Last Week	This Week
Room 6	75%	88%	Room 15	91%	 97%
			Room 16	85%	92%
			Room 17	83%	94%
			Room 18	77%	86%

## EVERY DAY OF LEARNING REALLY DOES COUNT!

At TWPS we want every child to achieve their full potential and we know that parents share this goal. There is a clear link between good attendance and educational achievement. If your child is not in school, on time, as often as possible they will be missing out on many important parts of their

No Absence	10 days absence	12 days absence	19 days absence	29 days absence	38 days absence
190 days of education	180 days of education	178 days of education	171 days of education	161 days of education	152 days of education
100%	95%	94%	90%	85%	80%
Very Good		Worrying		Serious Concern	
Best chance of success. Gets your child off to a flying start!		Less chance of success. Makes it harder for your child to make progress.		Your child will find it very difficult to make progress. May result in court action!	







## TOP DOJO EARNERS

### Term 3 Week 2

**Congratulations to Room 9 with 458 Dojo Points**

*You are the class with the highest number of Dojo points this week!*

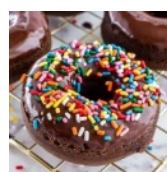
Prep	Kehlani <b>19 Dojo Points</b>
Grade 1/2	Lily Rm 6 <b>7 Dojo Points</b>
Grade 3/4	Zoe <b>25 Dojo Points</b>
Grade 5/6	Rueben <b>10 Dojo Points</b>
<b>Most Dojo points Prep - 6</b>	Zoe Rm 9 <b>25 Dojo Points</b>



## WINTER WONDERLAND DONUT DAY










- Winter wonderland will be on **Wednesday 2nd August**, students can come dressed in their Pyjamas / PJs. **(Please wear sensible shoes... not slippers)**
- An order form to purchase donuts has been sent out. Students needs to have the order form returned by Monday 31st July.



*The fundraising committee thank you for your continuous support.*



# Thomastown West Primary School compulsory school uniform items are as follows:

Season		Item Description	Image	Notes
All year round	Polo Shirts	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Long sleeve</li> <li>Short sleeve</li> <li>Red in colour</li> <li>With or without TWPS logo</li> <li>No alternative logos are to be visible</li> </ul>		With or without TWPS logo
All year round	Shorts/Pants	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Navy shorts</li> <li>Navy pants</li> <li>No alternative logos are to be visible</li> </ul>		Tights are to only be worn under shorts or dressed, not as pants
Summer	Dresses	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Checked dress (as in image only)</li> <li>Tights and skivvies can be worn underneath for modesty purposes. White, blue tights and skivvies are to be worn.</li> </ul>		In winter white, red, navy skivvies can be worn underneath In winter navy tights can be worn under dresses
All year round	Jumper	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Red pullover fleece with or without TWPS logo</li> <li>TWPS bomber jacket is navy blue.</li> </ul>		
All year round	Hijab or Turbans	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Navy or red material with no decoration or brand name</li> </ul>		
All year round. Compulsory Term 1 and Term 4	Hat	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Navy broadbrim without decoration or brand name</li> <li>Navy legionnaires hat without decoration or brand name</li> </ul>		Hats are available for sale at the TWPS front office
All year round	Headwear	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Blue, white, red 'scrunchies' and ribbons are permitted</li> <li>Elastic Bands used to tie up hair may be worn in any colour</li> </ul>		

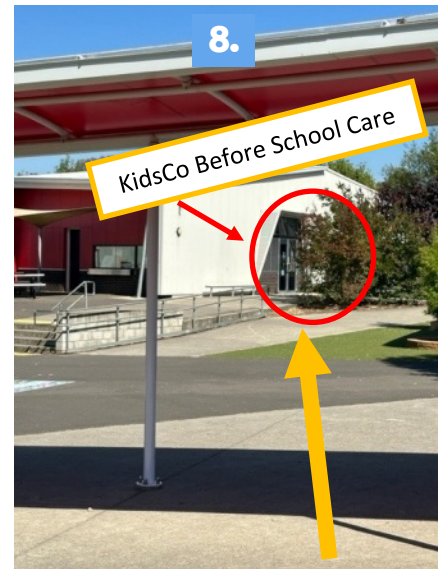
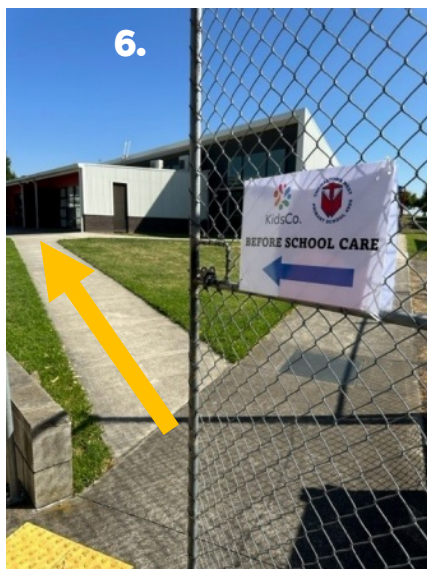
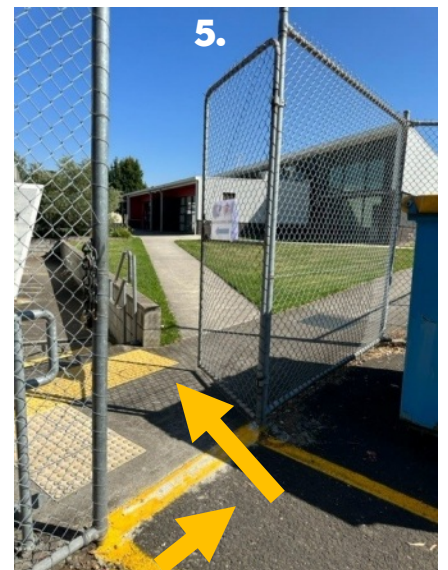
**Items worn under the uniform (such as long sleeve t-shirts) should be blue, white or red.**





# KidsCo.

**BEFORE SCHOOL CARE from 7am**





# THOMASTOWN ON-CAMPUS STORE

## BELEZA TRADING HOURS

TERM 3				
<b>JULY</b>	Tues 11th 1pm - 4pm	Tues 25th 1pm - 4pm		
<b>AUGUST</b>	Tues 8th 1pm - 4pm	Tues 22nd 1pm - 4pm		
<b>SEPTEMBER</b>	Tues 5th 1pm - 4pm			

# OPEN!

The uniform shop is opened every fortnight on Tuesdays in Term 3.

Please check the dates above. Orders can also be placed at the office.



# THOMASTOWN WEST PRIMARY SCHOOL CANTEEN MENU 2023



Online Orders:

**NEW  
MENU**

Welcome to My School Connect  
ORDER YOUR CHILD'S MEALS ONLINE

New to My School Connect SIMPLY REGISTER AT:

**[www.myschoolconnect.com.au](http://www.myschoolconnect.com.au)**

## Hot Food

Beef burger with cheese and tomato sauce (Ha)	\$5.00
Large Beef Pie (Halal)	\$4.30
Hot Dog Beef (Halal)	\$4.20
Large Sausage Roll (Halal)	\$4.00
Twin Party Pies 2 pieces (Halal)	\$3.00
Chicken Nuggets 6 pieces (Halal)	\$5.00
Pizza – Margarita (Halal)	\$3.50
Pizza – Sujuk Beef	\$4.00
Pizza Zaatar (oregano & herb)	
Chicken Tenderloins Wrap with cheese, Tomato, mayo & sweet chilli sauce	\$6.50
Ricotta Mini Pastry	\$1.60
Ricotta & Spinach Rolls	\$4.00
Extra Tomato sauce	\$0.20

## Freshly Made Hot Food

Pasta- Penne Bolognese Sauce	\$6.50
Pasta- Penne Napoli Sauce	\$6.00

## Drinks

Lipton Iced tea (peach or lemon)	\$4.00
Fruit Juice Box (apple or orange)	\$2.50
Chocolate and Strawberry Milk	\$3.00
Water (600ml)	\$2.50

## Freshly Made Sandwiches<sup>(h)</sup>

*On white bread. Gluten free bread also available upon request*

Cheese	\$3.00
Cheese and Ham	\$3.50
Cheese, Ham, and Tomato	\$4.00
Salad (lettuce, tomato, and carrot) (v)	\$4.50
Vegemite and Cheese	\$3.00
<b>Add to your order</b>	
Mayo	Add \$0.50

## Snacks

Banana Bread	\$3.00
Fruit Salad (seasonal fruit mix)	\$3.50
Freshly baked muffin	\$2.50

v)= vegetarian (ve)= vegan (Ha)= Halal

(h) = prepared on site by canteen staff

**Note: Prices may be subject to change due to seasonal fluctuations and wholesaler price increases.**

- **Every Wednesday and Friday your child can order a lunch order.**
- **Lunch orders can only be ordered via the School Connect App.**
- **Cut off time is 8.30 am**





## OUR SCHOOL TUCKSHOP IS NOW ONLINE!

Download the free app or access [www.myschoolconnect.com.au](http://www.myschoolconnect.com.au)



### 1. REGISTER YOUR ACCOUNT

Register on any device, simply login to [www.myschoolconnect.com.au](http://www.myschoolconnect.com.au) and click on "Create Account", follow the prompts to add your email and password.

### 2. ADD YOUR STUDENT

And make sure that you select your school and classroom details.



### 3. SELECT "TOP UP"

To add money to your account via Credit Card or Paypal, you can choose Direct Deposit but allow 3-5 working days to process prior to ordering. You can also pay as you go, simply skip the pop up screen for adding funds and start ordering.

(Please note Merchant Fees applies to Credit Card or Paypal Transactions)

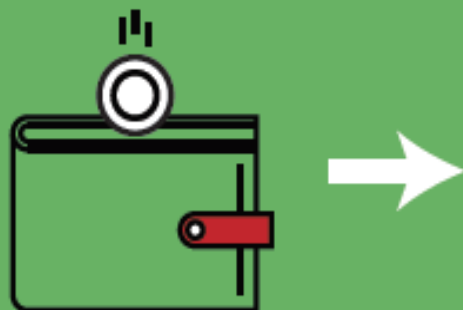


## 4. ORDER

To start ordering lunches simply select your Student and click "Buy Now", and you can order for the day, week. It's that simple!

## 5. CHECKOUT

Once you have completed your order, view your order summary in the "cart" and proceed to "checkout". Select your preferred form of payment and submit, all orders are confirmed via email.



## NOTE ON PAID ORDERS

Note that only paid orders will be sent to your canteen, not those still sitting in your cart. To start ordering lunches simply select your Student and click "Buy Now", and you can order for the day, week. It's that simple!



[www.myschoolconnect.com.au](http://www.myschoolconnect.com.au)



My School Connect has a 7 day a week Support Line, contact 1300 030 915



# Parent Code of Conduct at Thomastown West PS

A code of conduct for parents, carers and visitors, ensures that communications with our staff or anyone who visits our school site (including an online environment, such as Zoom, Class Dojo, our School Facebook page and emails) is able to do so in a safe and harmonious manner. This ensures that students, staff, parents and other visitors are not subjected to inappropriate, aggressive, hostile or violent behaviours.

**At Thomastown West Primary School we believe the following:**

- ✓ We all have the right to do as much work and learning as possible.
- ✓ We all have the right to feel comfortable and safe.



**We have 5 key school VALUES which we encourage everyone to *live* by our school values:**

**Respect**      **Responsibility**      **Resilience**      **Empathy** and **Strive to be our best**

**We teach the children that:**

- ✓ *Values guide the way we think, speak and behave.*
- ✓ *Values help us to decide what is right and what is wrong.*

**At Thomastown West Primary School, Parents and visitors are expected to:**

- ✓ Treat all persons associated with the school with respect and courtesy.
- ✓ Ensure their child/children are punctual to class.
- ✓ Make appointments in advance of expecting to obtain an interview.
- ✓ Allow staff to supervise, investigate and manage students without interference.
- ✓ Discuss issues or concerns about the school, staff or students through the correct procedures.
- ✓ Follow school procedures governing entry and behaviour on school grounds, including any restrictions that may be imposed.

**Under no circumstance are parents to approach another student or parent regarding any incidents or issues.**

**Your co-operation is sought in maintaining a safe and happy school.**



*This updated Parent Code of Conduct was approved by TWPS School Council in October 2021.*

# FREE WEEKLY ENGLISH CLASSES @ THOMASTOWN NEIGHBOURHOOD HOUSE

TNH is keen to spotlight the commencement of our Weekly English Classes commencing in Second Semester. TNH will be partnering with PRACE to deliver 'Everyday English – English Conversation' Classes every Tuesday from 10am- 1pm in the TNH room at Thomastown Library. Please share this information with anyone who you think would benefit from the class and please note that registrations are essential. Please note that those with Bridging Visas E & F, Temporary Protection Visa & SHEV are also eligible to register.

## Everyday English English Conversation

Meet new people and practice your English Language Skills in this friendly and supportive class.



**Location:** Thomastown Neighbourhood House  
@ Thomastown Library, 52 Main St, Thomastown

**Days and Hours:** Tuesdays 10.00am- 1.00pm

**Dates:** 11 July- 5 December 2023  
(19 Sessions)

### Entry Requirements:

Bridging Visas E & F, Temporary  
Protection Visa, SHEV , Permanent Residents and Australian  
Citizens

**Cost:** Free

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