

Thomastown West Primary School Newsletter



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2023 IMPORTANT DATES:

Tues-Thurs	29-31 Aug	Fathers Day stall
Fri	1 Sept	Father's Day Breakfast @ 8am (Prep-2) *Please note change of date*
Fri	1 Sept	Grade 5/6 Interschool Boys Futsal Competition
Thur	7 Sept	Whole School Concert 7:30pm Thomastown Secondary College Gym Have your purchased your tickets yet?
Fri	8 Sept	Grades 3-6 AFL Excursion
Wed	13 Sept	Footy Day Parade and Hot lunch (Out of Uniform day)
Thurs	14 Sept	Parent/Student/Teacher Conferences Students only attend school at the time of their interview.
Fri	15 Sept	Last Day Term 3 Assembly 12:00pm Students are dismissed at 1.15pm
Mon	2 Oct	First day term 4 Students arrive on time, ready to learn, at quarter to nine.
Mon	2 Oct	Breakfast Club opens 7:45am at the Thomastown West Community Hub
Mon	2 Oct	TheirCare After School Care available for students.
Sat	7 Oct	WORKING BEE at TWPS 9am—2pm
Mon	6 Nov	Students are expected to attend school the Monday before Melbourne Cup Public Holiday.
Tues	7 Nov	Melbourne Cup Public Holiday Students do not attend school.
Tues	19 Dec	Curriculum Day Students do not attend school
Wed	20 Dec	Last Day Term 4 Assembly 12:00pm Students are dismissed at 1.15pm

Breakfast Club provides students with the opportunity to have a nutritious breakfast before the start of the school day.

From the Principal

CHANGES to OUTSIDE OF SCHOOL HOURS CARE

From the beginning of Term 4 Thomastown West Primary School will have a **NEW** out of school hours care provider. As we say goodbye to KidsCo after the school holidays, we warmly welcome our fabulous **NEW after school care provider:**



From Term 4 2024, TheirCare will provide an **after school care service** for the Thomastown West School Community from 3:15pm - 6pm.

Learn more at www.theircare.com.au or call **1300 072 410**

What about Before School care?

From Term 4 2023, Thomastown West Primary School will return to our traditional TWPS Breakfast Club **but** with a few necessary changes!

- **Breakfast Club** will open at 7:45am.
- Breakfast Club is **FREE**.
- **Breakfast Club** will operate from our Thomastown West Community Hub.
- **Students will enter Breakfast Club via the single Hub gate on Main Street.**
- **From 7:45am - 8:15am** parents or carers must drop their child at Breakfast Club and sign them in.
- From 8:15am students may arrive at Breakfast Club in the Hub and sign in without their parents or carers.
- Students are encouraged to bring a small toy or game to play. There are plenty of books to read at the Hub.
- The Breakfast Club will close at 8:30am and the single Hub gate on Main Street will be closed.
- At 8:30am the double gates at the front entrance of our school will be opened for students to enter.

From Term 4



READ, GROW, INSPIRE

Each year since 1945, Book Week has brought children and books together across Australia. During this time, schools and public libraries spend one glorious week celebrating books and Australian children's authors and illustrators. The 2023 Book Week theme is "Read, Grow, Inspire", which is focused on how literature has the capacity to develop a child's inner world and how it can plant the seed of inspiration for them to express their own creativity. Consider the metaphor: *children are almost like plants and literature is the sun, the soil, and the water*. With good literature, your children can grow and flourish. This not only celebrates the wonderful relationship between children and books but also honours the authors and the role they play in a child's development.

At Thomastown West, we celebrate Book Week and highlight the importance of reading. Anything that furthers children's ability to read and spark a love of reading that will stay with young people for life is an important cause! **Today's parade with students dressed as their favourite book character was absolutely fabulous!** Thank you to our Parents and

Carers for their time and effort understanding how important reading is for child's cognitive and emotional development), by supporting their child to acknowledge their favourite books and characters, as well as celebrate how quality literature affects how your child reads, how it helps them grow, and how it can also inspire them!



Prep Circus is a wonderful day for students to collaborate with other Prep students as they participate in engaging circus-related activities that also serve as a motivating writing prompt. I suspect our Prep parents will hear about the pop corn and fairy floss, not necessarily about the writing!

Authentic writing prompts play a vital role in fostering meaningful and creative writing. When prompts are authentic, they reflect real-world situations, emotions, and dilemmas that connect with our young writers. This not only engages the Preps on a personal level but also encourages them to draw from their own experiences, thoughts, and feelings.

BOOK WEEK PARADE

Thank you and well done to all of the students (and the 50 parents and carers) who participated in our annual book week parade. Today, faces beamed with radiant smiles and the sense of connectedness to our school was visible. We hope you enjoy the photos throughout the newsletter!

Another Sun Smart Reminder

Excessive exposure to the sun's ultraviolet radiation can cause health problems including skin cancer. UV radiation cannot be seen or felt, can pass through light clouds and peaks during school hours. **All children are expected to be in full school uniform every day**, and from 1st September this includes **student wearing their school hats**. School hats are to be worn from September 1st until the end of April 2023. Please make sure that your child has a wide brim hat/bucket or legionnaire style hat with them at school. **If your child lost their hat, they can be purchased at the office for \$14.**

PLEASE NOTE: Sunscreen can be brought from home and applied by students. Sunscreen cannot be shared as allergies must be taken into consideration.

Child Safety at TWPS

Thomastown West Primary School is committed to the safety and wellbeing of all children and young people. This will be the primary focus of our care and decision-making.

Thomastown West Primary School has zero tolerance for child abuse.

Thomastown West Primary School is committed to providing a child safe environment where children and young people are safe and feel safe, and their voices are heard about decisions that affect their lives. Particular attention will be paid to the cultural safety of Aboriginal children and children from culturally and/or linguistically diverse backgrounds, as well as the safety of children with a disability.

Every person involved in Thomastown West Primary School has a responsibility to understand the important and specific role he or she plays individually and collectively to ensure that the wellbeing and safety of all children and young people is at the forefront of all they do and every decision they make.

Chess Club

I have to admit that one of my favourite times of the week is being about to spend time at our Thomastown **West Community Hub** on a Thursday at our 2023 TWPS CHESS CLUB!

Our students have been learning about the chess pieces, their moves and points, as well as strategy! Thomastown West is so lucky to have a community hub that supports and promotes our students learning and wellbeing!



SCHOOL CONCERT

Have you purchased your tickets yet? **DO NOT MISS OUT!** I have seen many of the concert rehearsals and it is going to be an absolutely magnificent evening of entertainment as we celebrate **50 Years Young!**



**Education is Powerful, Performing Arts Matters,
Teachers Make a Difference,
and Every Day of Learning Counts!**

Sandi Young
Principal

From Term 4: Breakfast Club at the Hub



From Term 4: TheirCare After School Care

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Parent Student Teacher Conferences will be **ONSITE** at TWPS in Term 3 Thursday 14th September 2023

Great news! You can now book your child's(ren's) Parent/Student/Teacher conference **ONLINE** using COMPASS!

When you use COMPASS to book a conference meeting with your teacher, it will be a time that you choose, which suits **YOUR FAMILY!** **It is also really easy to let us know (on Compass) if you require an interpreter!**

For parents and carers that do not have access to the internet at home, at work, Thomastown Library, or at a friend's house, **support will be available at the office from 2:30pm Monday 28th August 2023 onwards**, so that parents and carers can still make bookings online. Each Parent/Student/Teacher Conference is strictly 15 minutes and spaces are limited. **However, more time may be allocated to your conference if your child has their Student Support Group (SSG) meeting scheduled.**

Due to the casual teacher shortage, TWPS is finding it incredibly challenging to cover the Specialist Teachers for their individual planning day. As a result, **Specialist Teachers will not attend Parent/Student/Teacher conference meetings this term.** Instead, they will be participating in their own professional practice day planning for Term 4.

Parents can change their bookings, any time prior to the closing date, by revisiting COMPASS, and following the instructions or you can contact the school directly on: **9465 4317**.

****Students only attend school with their parents or carers at the time of their conference.****

It's **EASY** to **BOOK** your **2023** Parent Student Teacher Conference

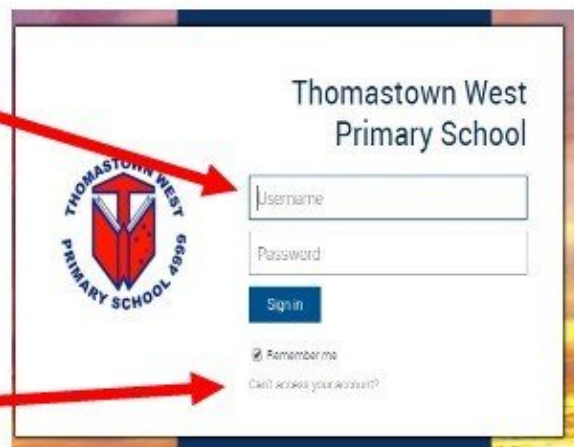
To book a time for your Parent Student Teacher Conference for Thursday 14th September 2023

1. Login to Compass:

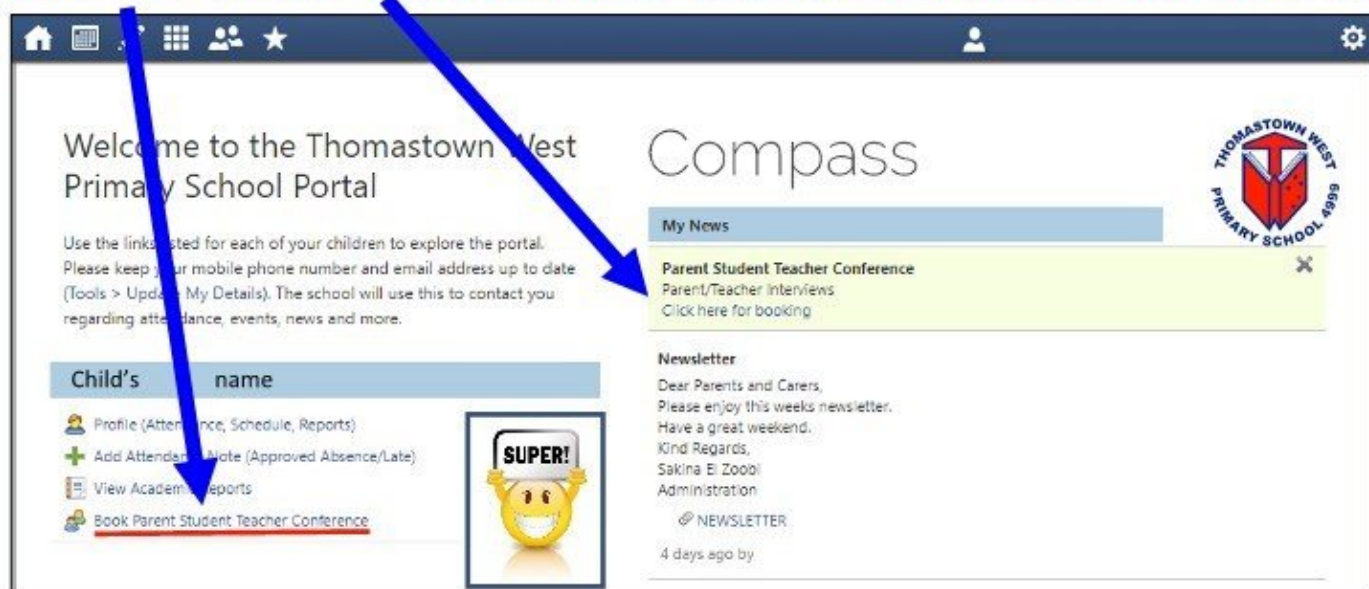
Use your parent login details.

- Please do not give these to your child.
- Your login details are unique to you and provide you with ongoing parent access to Compass and information about your child(ren).
- If you have problems... **click on the:**

'Can't access your account?'



2. Click **here** or **here** to Book Parent Student Teacher Conference



3. Click **My Bookings**

Conferences

Conference Cycles
Cycle Name
Term 3 2023 Parent Student Teacher Conferences
STUDENT NAME
First Slot: Thursday, September 14 2023 - 12:00 PM , Last Slot: Thursday, September 14 2023 - 6:45PM

[My Bookings](#)

4. Click **START BOOKING NOW** *

Term 3 2023 Parent Student Teacher Conferences

[Email My Bookings](#) [Print Preview](#) [Information/Help](#)

12:00 PM	12:15 PM	12:30 PM	12:45 PM	01:00 PM	01:15 PM
01:30 PM	01:45 PM	02:00 PM	02:15 PM	02:30 PM	02:45 PM
03:00 PM	03:15 PM	03:30 PM	03:45 PM	04:00 PM	04:15 PM
04:30 PM	04:45 PM	05:00 PM	05:15 PM	05:30 PM	05:45 PM
06:00 PM	06:15 PM	06:30 PM	06:45 PM	Not available for booking	Not available for booking

Student Name

Teachers

- Selma RAIF PC Interview Welcome
- Oscar ROSA MUSIC Interview Welcome
- Tiziana (Tiz) RUCCA Generalist 5/6 Interview Welcome

Welcome

Welcome to Term 3, 2023 Parent Student Teacher Conferences

[Start Booking Now](#) [Show me How to Book](#)

*Click 'Start Booking Now' and continue with the instructions listed below and on the next page.

OR

*If you click the **SHOW ME HOW**, just follow the instructions on your device

5. Click the time that suits you then click on the teacher's name

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12:00 PM	12:15 PM	12:30 PM	12:45 PM	01:00 PM	01:15 PM
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6. **CHECK** the time is correct then click **OK** unless...

Would you like an interpreter?

CLICK HERE and CHOOSE the language

Term 3 2023 Parent Teacher Conferences

12:00 PM	13:15 PM	12:30 PM	01:45 PM	01:00 PM	01:15 PM
01:30 PM	01:45 PM	02:00 PM	02:15 PM	02:30 PM	02:45 PM
03:00 PM	03:15 PM	03:30 PM	03:45 PM	04:00 PM	04:15 PM
04:30 PM	04:45 PM	05:00 PM	05:15 PM	05:30 PM	05:45 PM
06:00 PM	06:15 PM	06:30 PM	06:45 PM	06:00 PM	06:15 PM

Confirm Booking

Room: General 5/5

Staff Member: Tzivia (Tz) BOCCA

Student: Student Name

Date: Thursday, 14th September

Interpreter:

OK Cancel

7. If you have more than one child... Click here

Welcome to the Thomastown West Primary School Portal

Use the links listed for each of your children to explore the portal. Please keep your mobile phone number and email address up to date (Tools > Update My Details). The school will use this to contact you regarding attendance, events, news and more.

Profile (Attendance, Schedule, Reports)

+ Add Attendance Note (Approved Absence/Late)

View Academic Reports

Book Parent Student Teacher Conference

Thomastown West Primary School Portal

Compass

My News

Parent Student Teacher Conference

Parent/Teacher Interviews

Click here for booking

Attendance: Attendance Note Required

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Thomastown West Primary School uses the **Compass School Manager** to communicate with Parents and Carers.

Please download the **Compass School Manager App**

You need Compass to:

- ✓ Book your Parent/Teacher meeting
- ✓ View or download your child's Semester report
- ✓ Receive notifications and reminders from the school
- ✓ Receive emails and messages from the school if there was an emergency.

Follow the steps on the previous 2 pages...

THEN press the  button to return to the main Dashboard

Click on the link for the next child.



Week

Book





A collage of two photographs. The top photo shows a group of children in costumes (Frozen, Star Wars, etc.) holding books in a classroom. The bottom photo shows a group of children in costumes sitting on the floor.





New After school care provider!

from TERM 4 2023



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ASSEMBLIES: 2:30pm Fridays

WHOLE SCHOOL ASSEMBLY Multipurpose Room/ Basketball court	TEAM ASSEMBLY 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 12:00pm (last day of Term 3)	

PLEASE DO NOT USE THE SECONDARY SCHOOL CARPARK

School Zone Safety Information

Understanding the signs around school zones



40km/h sign

All school speed limits across the State are clearly signposted. Look out for the speed signs near schools and slow down to improve safety for children.



Children crossing

When the flags are displayed at a children's crossing, you must stop for pedestrians who are waiting to cross or who have started crossing. You must remain stopped until the crossing is clear. These rules apply even if there is no crossing supervisor.



Yellow edge lines

Must not stop or park your vehicle next to a continuous yellow edge line.



No parking

It is important that you do not park in any area where this sign is displayed.



No stopping

No stopping means you must not stop at the kerb for any reason.



Understanding the rules at school crossings

- Please keep the children's crossing clear.
- Parking is not allowed within 20m before a school crossing or 10m after the crossing (unless otherwise signposted). Parking within this area makes it difficult for children and the crossing supervisor to get a clear view of the road.
- It is illegal to double park your car, ie. you are not allowed to stop next to a parked car.

What you can do to ensure school zones remain safe

- Supervise children in or near traffic.
- Consider walking or cycling with your child to and from school.
- Respect the road rules and parking signs.
- Wait on the same side of the road as your child, to avoid your child dashing across the road to meet you.
- Get your child into the habit of using the car's kerbside doors, away from the traffic.

 **City of Whittlesea**

Parent / Student / Teacher Conferences THURSDAY 14TH SEPTEMBER 2022

Have you booked your conference yet?



**Similarly to last year, parents and carers will use COMPASS to book their meeting time.

Need help with COMPASS?

Forgotten your LOG IN details?

You can also ask the lovely office staff for help.





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, 7th 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!**



DATE: Thursday, 7th September

PLACE: Thomastown Secondary College Gym (Next to TWPS)

TIME: 7.30 – 9.00 pm

Dear Parents

Here is some information regarding arrangements for our whole school Concert.

Students must be accompanied by an adult

Students will need to arrive at **6.45 pm** to allow time for dressing, and to enable the concert to start promptly at **7.30pm**. Remember, it takes a good deal of time to dress small children. **There will be a "Sign In" and "Sign Out" folder so that teachers can ensure all students are accounted for.**

Students will go directly to their classrooms to meet their grade teachers.

Parents will take their children to their classroom, then go directly to the TSC Gym to be seated for the performance. **Tickets are in the form of a wrist band which should be worn for ease of identification.** Seats are not numbered. Tickets should be shown at the door, and **guests will be escorted to their seats by Staff.**

NO TICKETS WILL BE SOLD ON THE NIGHT.

Photos and videos are allowed to be taken. There will be no video for sale. However, please avoid blocking the view of the seated audience members, moving to stand in the front, or calling out during performances.

There will be **no intermission**. Toilet facilities are available at the back of the building. However, remember that constant movement or talking in the venue spoils other people's enjoyment. **PLEASE KEEP ALL NOISE AND MOVEMENT, IN OR OUT OF THE BUILDING, TO A MINIMUM.** If needed, please wait till the end of an item.

•At the end of the Concert, please remain seated as the school RAFFLE will be drawn. Make sure you have purchased tickets as there are some GREAT PRIZES! Tickets may be purchased on the night.

Students will be picked up from their classrooms after the raffle.

This is to ensure the safety of all children.

Thankyou for your support. It's sure to be a memorable night!



TWPS PRESENTS

'50 YEARS YOUNG!'

Thursday 7th September

7:30PM-9:00PM

Thomastown Secondary College

GYM

Tickets: \$20!

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

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

Thomastown West
Primary School

PLAY & GROW



SAVE THESE DATES!

Friday 11th August
2:15pm-3:15pm

Friday 18th August
2:15pm-3:15pm

Friday 25th August
2:15pm-3:15pm



Enrol your child at Thomastown West Primary School to join our weekly **'PLAY AND GROW'** sessions!

Come along to meet new friends through play, reading games and maths hands on activities aimed to develop fine motor skills.

You will receive a **FREE** starting school T-shirt to wear at each session and be apart of the Thomastown West Primary School Community



94 654 317

Scan the QR code to confirm your
child's attendance



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

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STRIVE TO BE OUR BEST


EVERY DAY OF LEARNING COUNTS

Term 3 Week 7 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	This Week	Year 3/4	Last Week	This Week
Room 2	74%	72%	Room 9	87%	93%
Room 3	90%	87%	Room 10	74%	88%
Year 1/2	Last Week	This Week	Room 11	71%	89%
Room 4	76%	70%	Room 12	86%	 98%
Room 5	73%	78%	Year 5/6	Last Week	This Week
Room 6	70%	72%	Room 15	89%	94%
			Room 16	73%	71%
			Room 17	80%	79%
			Room 18	76%	85%

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 education.

Why is regular attendance at school important?

Regular school attendance will mean that your child has a better chance in life. Your child will achieve better when they go to school all day, every school day...

✓they learn better ✓they make friends ✓they are happier ✓they have a brighter future

If your child is sick, of course it is appropriate to keep your child at home but
other 'days off' school add up to lost learning. See below:

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.	



TOP DOJO EARNERS



Term 3 Week 7

Congratulations to **Room 11** with 88 Dojo Points

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

Prep	Kehlani & Xander 5 Dojo Points
Grade 1/2	Abla 9 Dojo Points
Grade 3/4	Abbie 9 Dojo points
Grade 5/6	Zahra M 13 Dojo Points
Most Dojo points Prep - 6	Zahra M 13 Dojo Points



Roving Readers



ReAD
Every Day



2023 Fathers Day Stall

The annual TWPS Fathers day Stall will be held on Tuesday 29th August to the 31st August. (*Unless sold out*) Gifts will range from \$3.00 to \$12.00.

We thank you again for your continuous support.



Car Sponge \$3.00



Car wash MIT \$4.00



Chamois \$5.00



Assorted Chocolates \$5.00



Photo Frame \$5.00










Car Wash pack \$10.00



Mugs with Chocolate \$12.00



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

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



Thomastown West KidsCo!

Star highlights from last week's program:



This week at KidsCo we had loads of fun! We made fruit skewers with all our favourites... strawberries, bananas, watermelon and oranges! We have continued to prepare for our exciting KidsCo Downball World Cup and competed on Thursday! Congratulations to all our participants!

Don't forget to start enrolling in our school holiday program! Program is available in the office or pop into KidsCo!

Want to join in on the FUN?
All you have to do is enrol and book into your chosen session!!

<https://oshc.kidsco.net.au/oshc-thomastown/>



Here's a sneak peak of what's to come!

<u>MONDAY</u> 28th	<u>TUESDAY</u> 29th	<u>WEDNESDAY</u> 30th	<u>THURSDAY</u> 31st	<u>FRIDAY</u> 1st
On Monday we are going to be making sand art!	On Tuesday we will be	Cooking Club – We will be making mixed berry muffins!	On Thursday we are going to practice our AFL skills for the upcoming finals series!	Funky Friday! On Friday we will be creating our own soap!





Don't miss out on our EPIC Holiday Program!

Wednesday 27th September 2023

Teenage Mutant Ninja Turtles

You grab a seat and we'll grab the popcorn! Join us as we head to the movies today to see our Teenage Mutant Ninja Turtle friends on the big screen!



Here's a sneak peek of what's on!

See the full schedule: www.kidsco.net.au/oshc-thomastown

WEEK 1					
	SPACE DAY Welcome to KidsCo Space Academy! Get your space suits ready! Do you know your way around the stars? Get ready to build your rocket ship because this journey will be out of this world!	ROLLER'O'RAMA You can walk on two legs but can you skate on four wheels? 'Roll' on over to a day of wheelie good fun at the roller rink! Grab a friend (or the ledge) and get skating!	CARNIVAL DAY Get excited for an epic day of FUN at KidsCo! Bring your friends or make new ones! Join us as we play carnival games and have a blast 'jumping for joy' on our KidsCo Carnival Day!	SUPERHEROES Grab your mask and charge up your powers ready to save the world! We'll be flipping and tumbling as we test our skills on the trampolines! Are you brave enough?	RAINBOW DAY What would happen if you ran right through a rainbow? Come along and find out at KidsCo Rainbow Day and get ready to get colourful!
	AFTER MAX CCS \$8.75	AFTER MAX CCS \$11.75	AFTER MAX CCS \$11.75	AFTER MAX CCS \$11.75	AFTER MAX CCS \$8.75
	\$87.50 base fee	\$87.50 base fee + \$30 experience fee	\$87.50 base fee + \$30 experience fee	\$87.50 base fee + \$30 experience fee	\$87.50 base fee

Program	Session Times	Session Fees	After Max CCS
School Holiday Care	7:00 am - 6:00 pm	Base fee per child \$87.50 Excursion/Inursion fee per child \$30	Pay as little as \$8.75
Late Collection Fees May Apply \$1 per minute			

How to Enrol

Simply visit our website to enrol your child and activate your Xplor account!

A member of our team will call you once your enrolment is active and we will help you make bookings and answer any questions you may have!

Already enrolled? Book now on the Xplor Home app!



Thomastown West Primary School
98-112 Main St
Thomastown VIC 3074



1300 976 304



kidsco.net.au/oshc-thomastown

THOMASTOWN ON-CAMPUS STORE

BELEZA TRADING HOURS

TERM 3				
JULY	Tues 11th 1pm - 4pm	Tues 25th 1pm - 4pm		
AUGUST	Tues 8th 1pm - 4pm	Tues 22nd 1pm - 4pm		
SEPTEMBER	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.



2023 TERM DATES

Term	Starting date	Finishing date
Term 1	Tues 31 Jan	Thurs 6 April
Term 2	Wed 26 April	Fri 23 June
Term 3	Mon 10 July	Fri 15 Sept
Term 4	Tues 3 Oct	Wed 20 Dec

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

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^(h)

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
Add to your order	
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



1. REGISTER YOUR ACCOUNT

Register on any device, simply login to 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)

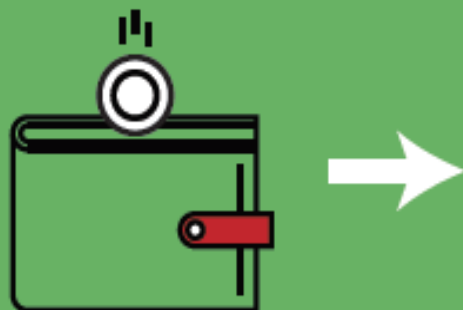


4. ORDER

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



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.

THOMASTOWN WEST COMMUNITY HUB

MONDAY

With Serda

Recess
Fun Maths Club

Lunch
Young Voices in Media

After school from 3:15pm
Homework Club
Finishes at 4:30pm

TUESDAY

With Ruqia

Recess
Fun Reading Club

Lunch
STEM Club

After school from 3:15pm
Pixels & Paint Club
Finishes at 4:30pm

WEDNESDAY

With PRACE
9:30am - 2:00pm

LEARN ENGLISH

Bookings Essential Call:
9462 6077

THURSDAY

With a Chess Teacher

Lunch
CHESS Club

FRIDAY

With Mrs Young & Mr Nick

Lunch
Strategic Board Games Club

HUB PROGRAMS TERM 3

Have you returned your Hub
permission notice?

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

Registration & Further Info:

PRACE

9462 6077

 office@prace.vic.gov.au

