

Thomastown West Primary School Newsletter



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2024 IMPORTANT DATES:

Mon	07 Oct	First day of Term 4: Arrive on time, ready to learn at quarter to 9! (8:45am start)
Thur	10 Oct	5/6 Swim Survival
Mon	14 Oct 21 Oct 28 Oct 8 Nov 11 Nov 18 Nov 25 Nov 2 Dec 9 Dec	P-4 Swimming Lessons Sessions
Tue	15 Oct	School Council Meeting 6.30pm
Wed	16 Oct	5/6 INCURSION: SUPREME INCURSION-BILLY KARTS
Fri	1 Nov	Prep Transition SESS ION 1 (9.10am)
Mon	4 Nov	Curriculum Day <i>Students do not attend school</i>
Tue	5 Nov	<i>Melbourne Cup day (Public Holiday)</i>
Fri	8 Nov	Prep Transition SESS ION 2 (9.10am)
Mon	11 Nov	Monday Muster
Fri	15 Nov	Prep Transition SESS ION 3 (9.10am)
Tue	19 Nov	School Council Meeting 6.30pm
Fri	29 Nov	1/2 BBQ & Sleep over
Fri	6 Dec	Whole School Billycart Race 2.30pm
Tue	10 Dec	School Council Meeting 6.30pm
Wed	11 Dec	Grade 5/6 Celebration: Funfields
Mon	16 Dec	Whole School reports shared via Compass
Tues	17 Dec	Grade 6 Graduation Ceremony
Fri	20 Dec	Last day of Term 4, 2024 Students dismissed at 1.15.

No. 13 Friday 20th September 2024

From the Principal Team

Highlights of Term 3

What a productive term we've had!

Teaching and Learning

- ✓ Our Writing NAPLAN results were outstanding! 75% of our year 3s achieved an Exceeding or Strong level and our Year 5s excelled, with 84% achieving Exceeding or Strong.
- ✓ We were pleased with our Reading NAPLAN results as 66% of our year 3s and year 5s achieved an Exceeding or Strong level.
- ✓ Numeracy school improvement has continued, with consultant Hannah Marino presenting professional learning sessions and modelling lessons in classrooms.
- ✓ Staff have been studying/researching how to cater for diverse learners through 'spotlighting' in Maths lessons in their professional learning communities (PLC) and after school professional learning.
- ✓ Students have embraced the 'spotlight' in Maths lessons and have benefitted from the explicit teaching.
- ✓ 'Play and Grow' sessions have commenced, with our 2025 preps coming in for Friday morning plays, and making friends.

Positive School Community

Attitudes to school student survey results:

- ✓ 93% of our years 4-6 students were reported to have **high expectations for success** and a positive attitude towards **attending school**.
- ✓ 85% of our years 4-6 students were reported to have a **sense of inclusion** at TWPS.
- ✓ 85% of our years 4-6 students reported that their teacher provides **differentiated** (catering for individual needs) learning **challenge**.
- ✓ 100% of our years 4-6 students agreed that we have clear rules for classroom behaviour, and 96% agreed that their teacher always **expects them to do their best**.

Parent Opinion Survey

- ✓ Thank you to the 22 parents who supported our school by offering their feedback to support our school improvement.

Aspire and MAT Programs

- ✓ We have been very fortunate to have a Martial Arts Training Program run this term, and the Aspire Young Leaders Program. Both were run for free for grade 5-6 students, to build self confidence, leadership skills and to promote and celebrate our school's diversity, which is one of our greatest strengths.

Berry Street Education Model

- ✓ Staff have been participating in BSEM masterclasses, learning about ways to support students with their self regulation, stamina and confidence.

- ✓ TWPS Leaders have been working with the Berry Street team to form a Mental Health and Wellbeing Action Plan for 2025.

Excursions/Incursions/Events

- ✓ Curiosity Projects Monday Muster Showcase
- ✓ Grades 1/2 and 3/4 Science Works excursions
- ✓ STEM local community excursions
- ✓ Footy Day
- ✓ 5/6 Hoop Time Basketball Tournament
- ✓ Gr 5/6 Girls and Boys Futsal Tournament

TWPS Community

- ✓ **TheirCare** offered student care at TWPS on both the Curriculum Day and Student/Parent/Teacher conferences, and are running a fabulous upcoming Holiday Care program!
- ✓ The **Thomastown West Community Hub** received funding for programs to run day a week.
- ✓ TWPS students **participating** in the **successful community event**: Walking Thomastown
- ✓ NAIDOC week Special Assembly
- ✓ Kinder visits, including Bubup Wilam Early Learning Centre
- ✓ Northern Star Dental Van visit
- ✓ TWPS partnership with Thriving Minds Psychology

Thank you

We extend our heartfelt thanks to our dedicated teachers and amazing support staff for their unwavering commitment to maximizing student learning and enhancing wellbeing. We would also like to acknowledge the increased engagement of students this term, as they enthusiastically worked to achieve their personal learning goals, curiosity projects and further develop their problem solving skills during Maths inquiry sessions. Great job, everyone!

We also want to express our gratitude to the parents and carers who attended yesterday's conferences. The positive energy was evident at TWPS during the Student/Parent/Teacher conferences. It was fantastic to hear such positive feedback from parents, carers, and teachers about the progress students are making in their learning and wellbeing. Thank you to the teachers for staying late and sacrificing time with their families to make this happen. It is appreciated, as teachers and parents communicating and working together creates the best possible environment for students to learn and thrive.

Student Attendance

Congratulations to all of the students who achieved 100% attendance. (That is, from the last week of Term 2 to the end of the week 9 of Term 3) We understand that there have been occasions when students were unwell, but have attended school every day that they were fit and healthy. For this reason, this term, we have introduced our new Attendance Encouragement Awards certificates. Three students from each year level have been selected to achieve this award this term. If your child does not receive an attendance award this term, this is an opportunity to help your child build resilience. It is important to continue encouraging and supporting your child to improve their school attendance and efforts. Every step they take toward improvement is a valuable achievement. Remember: **Every day of Learning Counts!**

School Improvement

Our School Improvement Team has begun the process of leading our school through the Pre-Review-Self-Evaluation. This means our leaders, staff and School Council have been busily reading through and updating our school policies, including those related to the Department of Education Child Safe Standards. On Wednesday afternoon, teachers began reflecting on all the successes and goals we have achieved in the last 4 years, since our last review, when analysing our Attitudes to School student survey data. In **Term 4, we will host student and parent forums to share our achievement data with the community. We invite you to join us in celebrating our progress and to provide feedback and suggestions for 2025 and beyond.** Dates for these forums will be shared in the first Term 4 newsletter.

Our School Review will be held Term 1, 2025. All schools must participate in a school review every 4 years. We are looking forward to identifying our successes, as well as our opportunities for improvement. The school review also informs the development of the school's 4-year School Strategic Plan.

Curiosity Showcase

It was lovely to see so many **parents, family members and carers** attend our Curiosity Hour Showcase on Monday afternoon in our classrooms and **engage in their child's learning**. Students and their families were so proud of their excellent research, inquiry work and presentations. It was so nice to see so many smiling faces coming in and walking out impressed. Thank you to everyone who could come, and see photos below of some of our students' projects.

Footy Day

WOW! Our fabulous footy day was such a thrill and a wonderful way to celebrate the last Wednesday of term 3. All staff and students wore their favourite colours with pride and cheered loudly at our annual parade.

Special thanks to Mrs El Zoobi and our fundraising team for organising a yummy footy lunch!

Hats

Children must wear school sun hats during Term 4 when outside. Hats protect the face, neck and ears. At TWPS students wear a legionnaire style of hat.

No hat, no play: Students not wearing an appropriate hat will have to remain in the shade that is offered outside the Prep rooms, near Room 2 & 8 or the 5/6 building, near room 12.

Hats can be purchased from the office for \$14. Please make sure that you have your child's name on their new hat!



PLANNING FOR 2025

2025 Grade Placements

Our work on the 2025 grade placements will begin very soon. Students will have the opportunity to list **five** friends they would like to be with in class next year. We will ensure that each child is placed with at least one friend from their list unless there are extenuating circumstances. These circumstances would then be discussed with parents or carers. **Please note: Parent requests can only be in relation to student friendships. Teacher requests will not be considered.**

Parent requests to the Principal

If you have any concerns or important information regarding your child's grade placement for 2025 **please put these in writing and give to Sandi Young no later than 4pm Friday 18th October 2024.**

A) Give your confidential request to the Office staff in a sealed envelope, addressed to **Sandi Young: CONFIDENTIAL** on the front.

OR

B) Email: thomastown.west.ps@education.vic.gov.au with the subject **Attention: Sandi Young- CONFIDENTIAL**

Enrolling at TWPS for 2025

All Victorian government schools recently received their indicative school resource package (budget) for 2025. It is from this our school will begin organising staffing, class structures, resources and programs for the coming year. The projected school population is what largely determines the amount of funding we receive for any given year, and therefore this determines what staff we are able to employ and what programs we will run. **Please inform the Office if you have not yet enrolled your child for Prep 2025** or if you are moving houses or changing schools.

Are you leaving?

It is very important for us to have accurate enrolment numbers for children attending TWPS in 2019. This allows us to achieve the best possible class structures and class sizes can be organised to maximise student engagement, wellbeing and learning.

We understand that some families are moving houses and there may be schools that are closer to your new address. We will support your child and their transition to a new school. **Please contact us as soon as possible to let us know if your child/children will not be attending TWPS in 2015.**

Emergency contact details

Getting ready for the **School Saving Bonus** and **Term 4** it is timely to think about emergency contact information that is held by the school for your child/children. Thomastown West Primary School's Emergency Management Procedures require the school to have up to date information is vital for the school. If you or your listed emergency contacts have recently changed or your contact details need updating (mobile number or email address), can you please make sure that the office has been informed.

Email: thomastown.west.ps@education.vic.gov.au

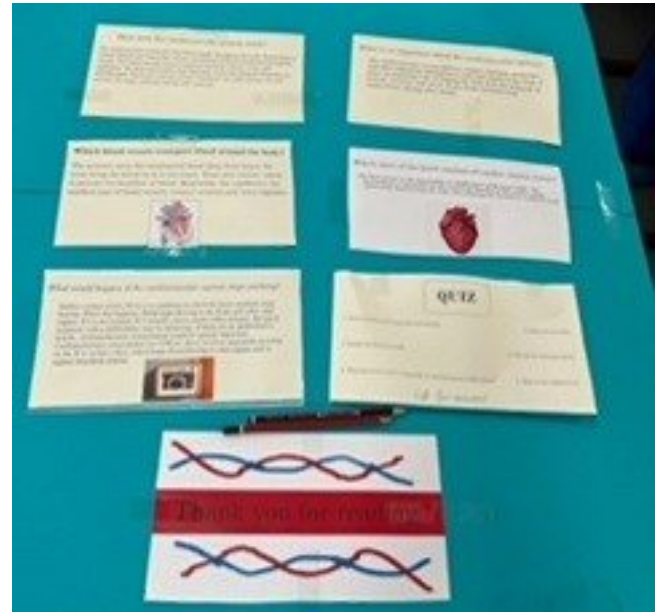
Wishing you all a safe and happy holiday break!

Sandi Young
Principal

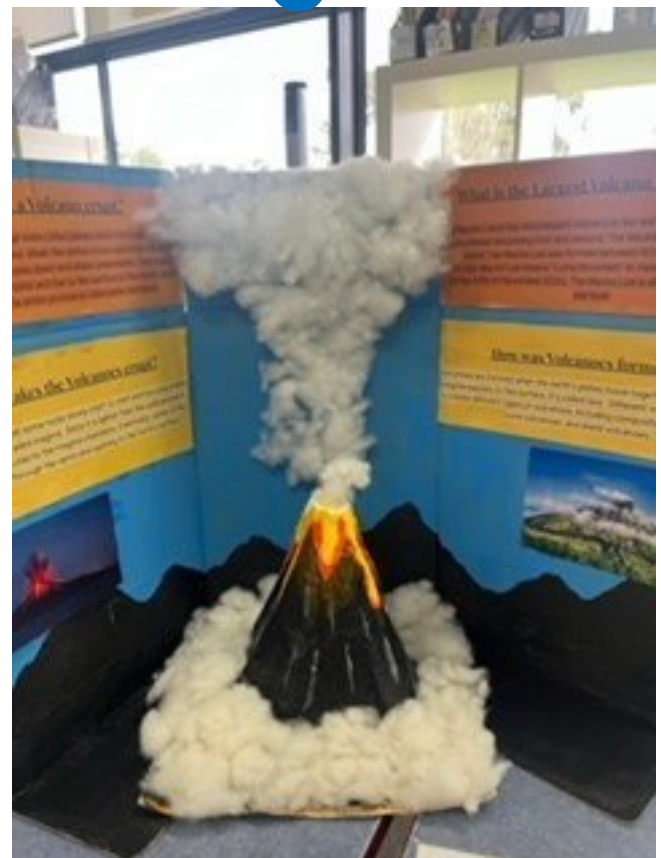
James Crotti
Assistant Principal



Curiosity



Projects



School Saving Bonus

Information for government school parents and carers

About the School Saving Bonus

The Victorian Government is making life that little bit easier for families by providing a one-off \$400 School Saving Bonus.

This support will help cover the cost of school uniforms, textbooks, and school activities like camps, excursions and sports.

The School Saving Bonus is in addition to existing and continuing means-tested supports for Camps, Sports and Excursions Fund (CSEF) and the Affordable School Uniforms Program.

The School Saving Bonus will be provided to schools and families in Term 4, 2024.

Who receives the School Saving Bonus

The School Saving Bonus is available for parents and carers of all Victorian government school students from Prep to Year 12 in 2025, except for full-fee international students, home schooled students, TAFE students and students attending kindergarten in 2025.

Actions for parents and carers

Parents and carers of children who meet the School Saving Bonus eligibility above are required to do the following by **Friday 18 October 2024**:

- **Complete enrolment**

If your child, or children are changing government school for Term 1 2025, or starting Prep or Year 7 in 2025, please complete enrolment. For more information, read about [Enrolling in School](#).

- **Check your contact information**

Ensure your contact information is up to date with your school. You can check this information by contacting your school directly.

Accessing the \$400 School Saving Bonus

You do not need to apply for the School Saving Bonus.

The Department of Education will email you in November 2024 with your \$400 School Saving Bonus. You will be able to access it via an online system.

You can decide how to best use the School Saving Bonus for your family's needs. You can choose how to allocate the \$400 in the online system.

The bonus can be used towards 2025 school costs, which may include:

- camps, trips, excursions and incursions
- swimming and sporting programs
- outdoor education programs
- graduations
- school uniforms
- textbooks.

The bonus can be used at your school's approved textbook or uniform suppliers either in-store or online, or through State Schools' Relief. The list of suppliers may include a school uniform or bookshop. Any amount that you choose to allocate to textbooks and uniforms will be valid until 30 June 2025. It will then transfer to your child's school account for future activities.

Funds will roll over for use in future years if it is not all spent in 2025.

Families with more than one eligible child

Families who have more than one child at the same school can combine their School Saving Bonus payments to use on one child, or for a specific activity. So, for example, a family with 3 children who are all government school students would receive support to the value of \$1,200 and choose how they spend those funds. The School Saving Bonus cannot be combined across different schools.

More information

To learn more about the School Saving Bonus visit vic.gov.au/school-saving-bonus. Translated information will also be available on the School Saving Bonus website in the next few weeks.

District Athletics

Congratulations to the five students that represented our school at the Whittlesea District Athletics Championships.

Well done to Victoria for coming third in the girls 100m sprint.

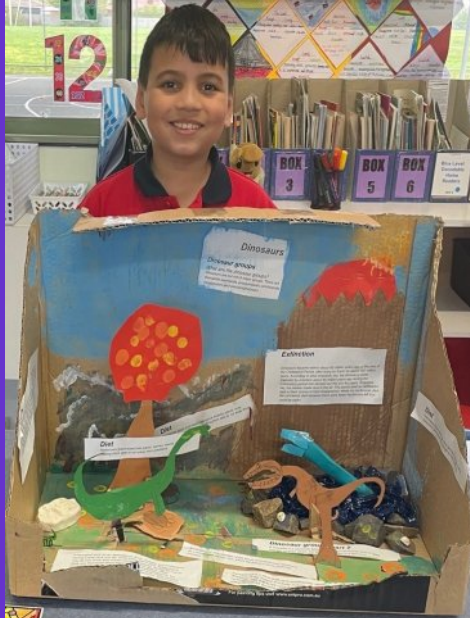
She is now an emergency for the regional finals.

Congratulations to Destiny for coming second in her shot put event. She now qualifies for Regional finals in October, a fantastic achievement.

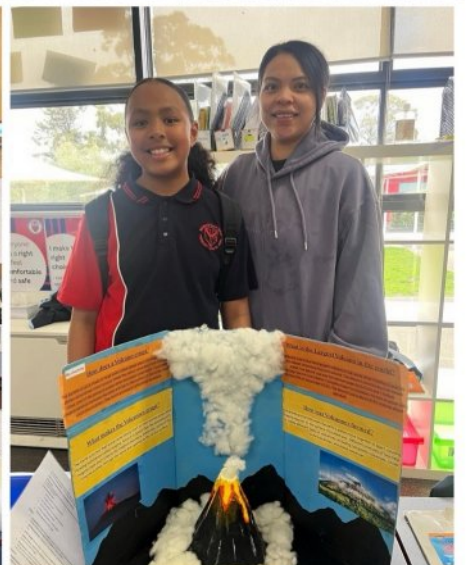
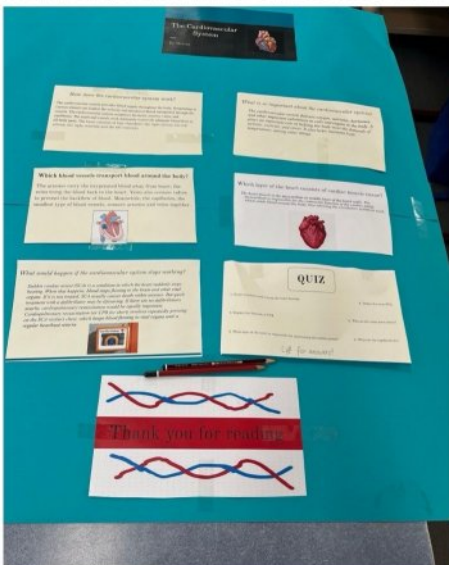
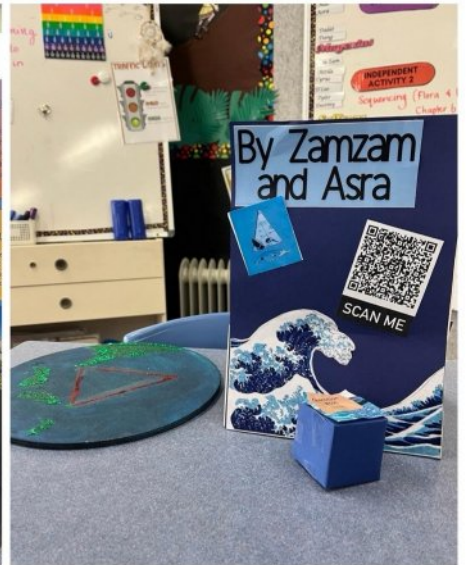
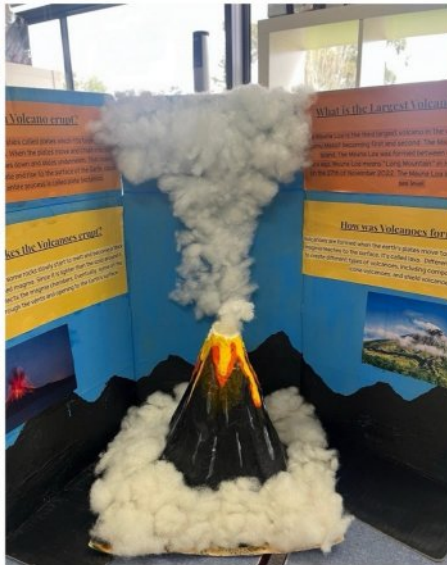
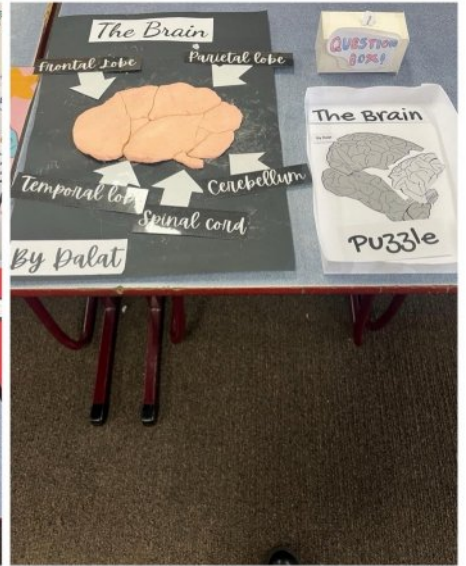
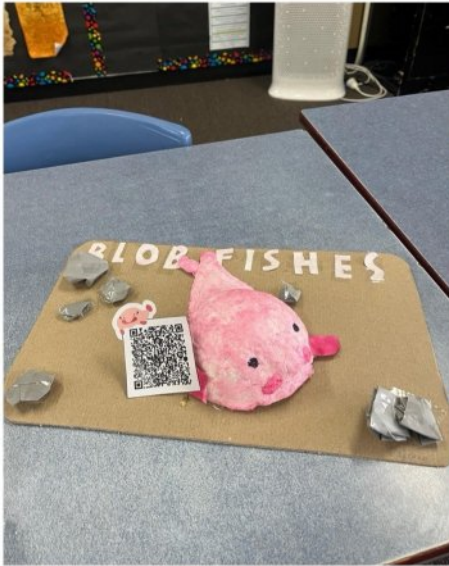
Well done to all students who participated, you all did an amazing job.



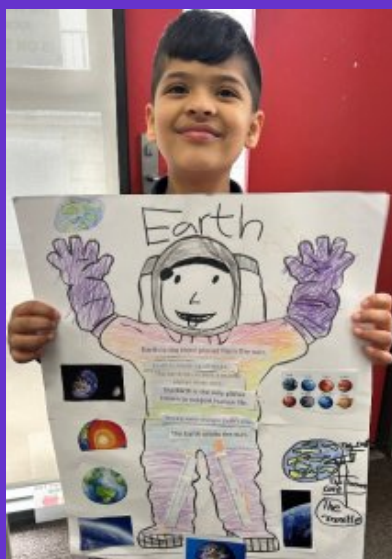
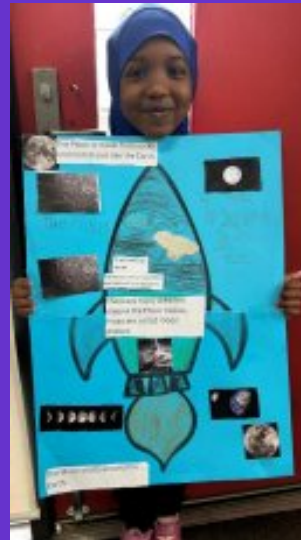
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TWPS Band Performance

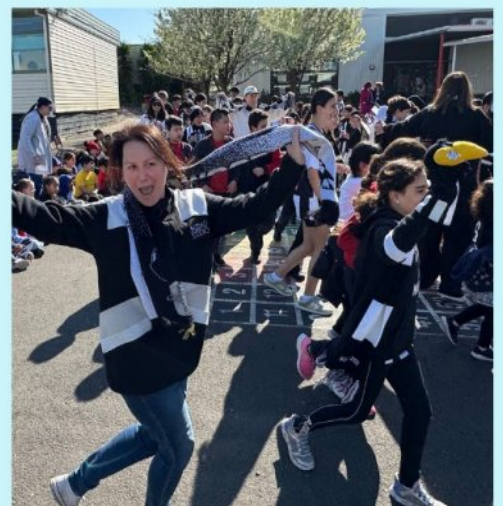
TWPS band performed at our end of Term 3 assembly to our students, parents and carers.





FOOTY DAY

18TH SEPTEMBER



FRIENDLY REMINDER:

ALL STUDENTS MUST WEAR THEIR SCHOOL HATS WHEN OUTSIDE.

If your child has lost their hat, they can be purchased at the office for \$14.

Thomastown West Primary School is pleased to announce that we are now a SunSmart School.

The SunSmart program is dedicated to reducing skin cancer incidence, illness and mortality through a targeted prevention and early detection program.

The objectives of the SunSmart Program is:

1. Improve and monitor skin cancer prevention awareness, knowledge, attitudes and behaviour
2. Support priority populations to detect cancers earlier.
3. Advocate for strategies that aim to reduce the health and economic burdens of skin cancer.

Thomastown West Primary School recommends that from September 1st to end of April, and whenever UV levels reach 3 and above, students come to school wearing sun-protective clothing such as:

- loose, cool, closely-woven fabric
- shirts with a collar and/or high necklines
- tops with elbow length or long sleeves
- longer style shorts and skirts
- **a wide brim hat/ bucket or legionnaire style hat to be worn in September 1st to the end of April.**

For the best protection use all five forms of sun protection-clothing, sunscreen, a broad brim hat, shade and sunglasses-when the UV is 3 and above.

For more information on how to be SunSmart, click on the link below.

<https://www.sunsmart.com.au/>





Some children look the same. But some of us are a little bit... **Different!**



Some are super energetic
and love moving around.



Some have HUGE imaginations
and daydream a lot.



Some have different interests.



Others get around in all
kinds of different ways.

Being different means you can be your true self.
Friends will like you for who you really are.
You will find your own creative ways of doing things
and can bring new ideas to the world!

If everyone was the same, the world would be really boring!



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From Term 4: Free Breakfast Club at the Hub from 7:45am



What about Before School care?

From Term 4, there will no longer be Before School Care at the Multi-Purpose Room.

Instead, TWPS will offer a FREE Breakfast Club at our Community Hub from 7:45am.

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.

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:

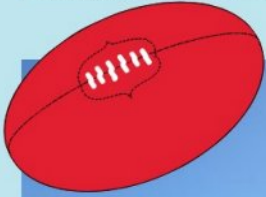
- ✓ Treat all persons associated with the school with respect and courtesy.
- ✓ Ensure their child/children are punctual to class.
- ✓ Make appointments in advance of expecting to obtain an interview.
- ✓ Allow staff to supervise, investigate and manage students without interference.
- ✓ Discuss issues 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.





Stars of the Week



Term 3 - Week 9

Teivana	2	For fantastic work investigating and graphing the classes favourite character in a story during Maths.
Brian	3	For trying hard to decode green level words.
Zakariya	5	For striving to be his best when creating his Curiosity project about space.
Jaxon	6	Using tally marks to collect data on favourite story character
Doaa	10	For demonstrating resilience to conquer challenges when completing tasks. Well done Doaa.
Dion	11	Congratulations on your outstanding presentation! Your out-of-the-box thinking and dedication to the Curiosity Project were impressive. Keep up the great work!
Tyler	12	For striving to be his best and producing an outstanding curiosity project.
Emaan	15	For your kindness and support for your peers. You always make the effort to be helpful and caring towards your classmates.
Steven	16	For striving to be his best and having a growth mindset when approaching challenging learning tasks in Maths this week.
Kaiden	17	For a wonderful effort with his Curiosity Hour diorama. Great work!
Kreon		Music: For doing a great job playing the bass for his class band play-along. Well done Kreon!



Stars of the Week

Term 3 - Week 9



Term 3 - Week 10





Stars of the Week



Term 3 - Week 10

Jayden	2	.For striving to be his best during reading and showing great growth.
Aishworya	3	For having a positive attitude towards all her work.
John	5	For striving to be his best by using data to create a bar graph during Maths .
Julian	6	For showing responsibility for his own learning while creating his curiosity project.
Latoiya	10	For demonstrating resilience and stepping out of your comfort zone to complete
Yosra	11	Congratulations on your outstanding presentation! Your out-of-the-box thinking and dedication to the Curiosity Project were impressive. Keep up the great work!
Attila	12	For demonstrating resilience and for producing an outstanding curiosity project. Well done!
Dixin	15	For your outstanding commitment to learning in Maths. Through developing your problem solving strategies you have shown outstanding growth in your number skills.
Akexandra	16	For striving to be her best and using her creativity to create an excellent presenta-
Tam	17	For an excellent result with his Essential Assessment testing. Keep up the great
Ahmad S		MUSIC: For showing persistence and being able to coordinate a tricky drum rhythm on the drum kit. Well done Ahmad!



It's NOT OK to BE AWAY UNLESS YOU ARE SICK!

Please support our school community by keeping your children at home while they are unwell. The table below indicates the duration of your child's recovery period and the period during which they should refrain from attending school while infectious.

<i>Chicken Pox</i>	Until fully recovered. Please note some remaining scabs are not an indication for continued exclusion.
<i>Conjunctivitis</i>	Exclude until discharge from eyes has ceased.
<i>COVID-19</i>	Your child's safety is our priority. Thomastown West PS has a COVID-Safe Plan. Up-to-date Department of Health instructions will be shared by the school, when needed. Please contact the school if your child has Covid.
<i>Head Lice</i>	Until treated with solution as recommended by the City of Whittlesea, Health Office.
<i>Impetigo</i>	Until sores have fully healed. The child may be allowed to return provided that appropriate treatment is being applied and that sores on exposed surfaces such as scalp, face, hands and legs are properly covered with occlusive dressings.
<i>Measles</i>	For at least seven days from the appearance of the rash or until medical certificate of recovery is produced.
<i>Mumps</i>	Until fully recovered
<i>Ringworm</i>	Until appropriate treatment has commenced and is supported by a medical certificate.
<i>Rubella</i>	Until fully recovered and at least 4 days from the onset of the rash.
<i>Scarlet Fever</i>	Until a medical certificate of recovery is produced.
<i>Viral Hepatitis</i>	Until a medical certificate of recovery is produced, or on subsidence of symptoms but not before seven days after onset of jaundice.
<i>Whooping Cough</i>	For four weeks or until a medical certificate of recovery is produced.

Every day of Learning Counts

Term 3 Week 10 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 Newsletter	This Weeks newsletter	Year 5/6	Last Newsletter	This Weeks Newsletter
Room 2	84%	83%	Room 9	82%	86%
Room 3	82%	88%	Room 10	84%	83%
Year 1/2	Last Week	This Week	Room 11	76%	82%
Room 5	91%	85%	Room 12	83%	 91%
Room 6	81%	84%	Year 3/4	Last Week	This Week
			Room 15	84%	80%
			Room 16	86%	89%
			Room 17	88%	90%

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

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.	



Cup of Life

Well done to all the boys and girls who are attending school every day.

Congratulations

The room that had the BEST ATTENDANCE
For Term 3 Week 10 is Room 12

TWPS CUP OF LIFE UPDATE

Who will win the free bowling excursion at the end of the year??

Room 2	Term 1 Wk 4	Term 1 Wk 5							
Room 3	Term 2 Wk 9								
Room 5	Term 2 Wk 6	Term 3 Wk 7	Term 3 Wk 8	Term 3 Wk 9					
Room 6									
Room 9	Term 3 Wk 1								
Room 10	Term 2 Wk 8	Term 3 Wk 4							
Room 11	Term 2 Wk 5	Term 3 Wk 2	Term 3 Wk 6						
Room 12	Term 1 Wk 6	Term 1 Wk 7	Term 1 Wk 8	Term 2 Wk 1	Term 2 Wk 2	Term 3 Wk 10			
Room 15									
Room 16	Term 2 Wk 7	Term 2 Wk 10	Term 2 Wk 11						
Room 17	Term 2 Wk 3	Term 2 Wk 4	Term 3 Wk 3	Term 3 Wk 5					

Top Dojo Earners



Congratulations to Room 10 with 205 Dojo Points

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



	WEEK 9	WEEK 10
Prep/1	Julian 13 Dojo Points	Sana 2 Dojo Points
Grade 1/2	Vicky 8 Dojo Points	Ibrahim & Aaron 11 Dojo Points
Grade 3/4	Hannah 13 Dojo Points	Kendrick 6 Dojo Points
Grade 5/6	An 35 Dojo Points	Room 10 10 Dojo Points
Most Dojo points Prep - 6	An 35 Dojo Points	Ibrahim & Aaron 11 Points
The classroom with the most Dojo points	Room 09 575 Dojo Points	Room 10 205 Dojo Points

Assemblies

TEAM ASSEMBLY In your child's building	WHOLE SCHOOL ASSEMBLY Multipurpose Room/ Basketball court
Term 3 Week 3 Friday 2nd August 2:30pm ✓	Term 3 Week 4 Friday 9th August 2:30pm ✓
Term 3 Week 5 Friday 16th August 2:30pm ✓	Term 3 Week 6 Friday 23rd August 2:30pm ✓
Term 3 Week 7 Friday 30th August 2:30pm ✓	Term 3 Week 8 Friday 6th September 2:30pm ✓
Term 3 Week 9 Friday 13th September 2:30pm	Term 3 Week 10 Friday 20th September 12.00pm ✓

WEEKLY RECAP

Term 3 Week 9

This week at Thomastown West PS Theircare...

R U OK WEEK 👍

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Looking forward to spending the last week of Term 3 with the children next week and I hope everyone has a lovely weekend!

📷 Photo highlights of the week!!



Next week's theme at Thomastown West Theircare....



Thomastown West Theircare open from 3:15pm to 6:15pm.

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Thank you! Thomastown West Coordinator

Ebony 😊

TWPS THEIRCARE

newsletter

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See you all next term! 😊

Reminders

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Our Whiteboard

R U OK Badge

WEEKLY RECAP

Term 3 Week 10

This week at Thomastown West PS Theircare...

ART WEEK 🎨

This week at Thomastown West Theircare our theme was Art week to celebrate the last week of Term 3. On Monday we held an afternoon tea in line with Thomastown West's curiosity showcase evening. It was great to see so many faces! The rest of the week was spent using the children's creative imagination and freedom. The children painted pictures, recycled paper plates to make cars and monsters and created fairy wands out of pipe cleaners.

This was a great term and such an exciting change in our space. I look forward to next term. Have a lovely holidays! 😊

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THOMASTOWN ON-CAMPUS STORE

BELEZA TRADING HOURS

ALL BELEZA RETAIL STORES
Will be closed for first week of School Holidays

- All Retail Stores will close at **2pm on Friday 20th of September**
- Stores will be closed from **Saturday 21st of September to Sunday 29th of September**
- All Stores will resume regular trading days & hours from **Monday 30th of September**

Shop online at beleza.com.au/online-store

TERM 3 2024

JULY	Tues 16th 1pm - 4pm	Tues 30th 1pm - 4pm
AUGUST	Tues 13th 1pm - 4pm	Tues 27th 1pm - 4pm
SEPTEMBER	Tues 10th 1pm - 4pm	

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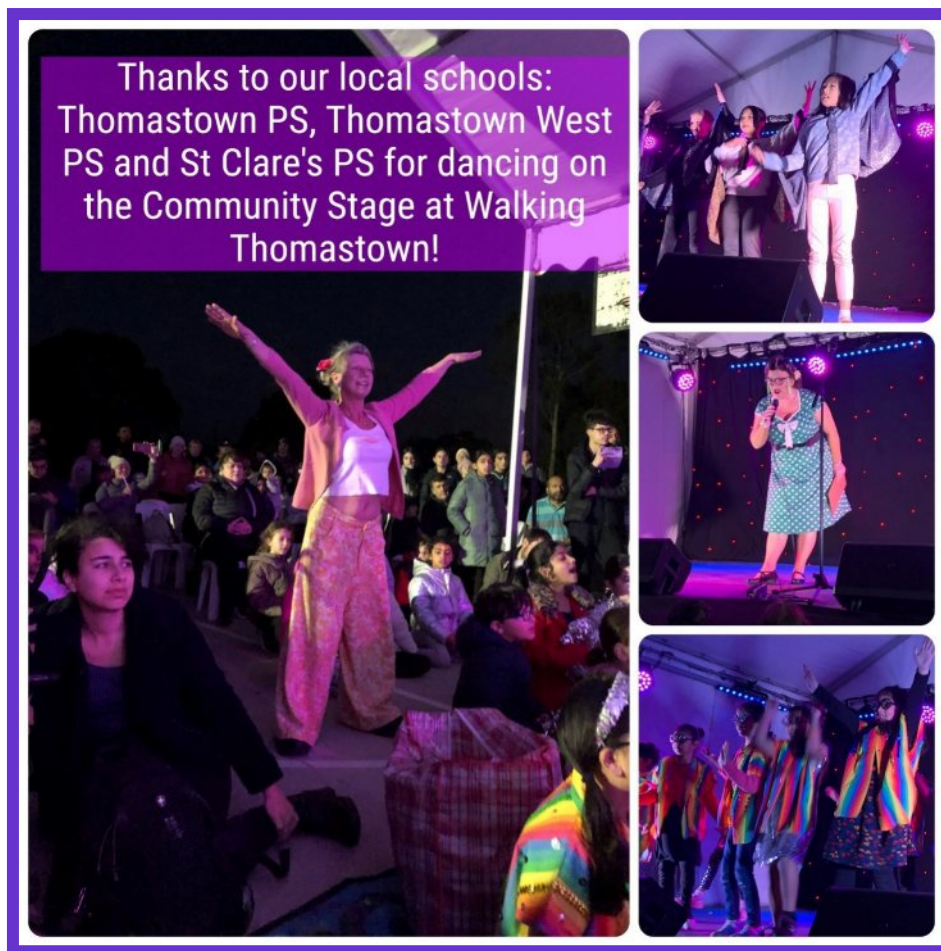
OCTOBER	Tues 8th 1pm - 4pm	Tues 15th 1pm - 4pm	Tues 22nd 1pm - 4pm	Tues 29th 1pm - 4pm
NOVEMBER	Tues 12th 1pm - 4pm	Tues 19th 1pm - 4pm	Tues 26th 1pm - 4pm	
DECEMBER	Tues 3rd 1pm - 4pm	Tues 10th 10.00am - 4.30pm	Tues 17th 1pm - 4pm	

Thomastown Neighbourhood House

Spring News

Thank you to our local schools for their involvement in Walking Thomastown.

It was wonderful to see everyone at WALKING THOMASTOWN – thanks to one and all who walked, danced and were inspired by this amazing local event. HUGE thanks to City of Whittlesea for lighting up the gateway to our municipality!



➤ ***Thomastown Neighbourhood House Annual General Meeting***

TNH AGM- join us for our Thomastown Neighbourhood House AGM coming up on **Friday 8th November, 2024**. This is always a great gathering of our committee members, association members, community members and special guests. If you would like to become an association member of TNH, we will have association membership forms at the AGM or please get in contact in advance to sign up. The AGM will be followed by a light lunch with TNH volunteer awards for those who have contributed so much to TNH throughout the year!

➤ **TNH Social Enterprise Coffee Cart**

"A Thomastown Coffee Cart continues to provide more than your morning caffeine hit, it is a place making an impact on the community"- Star Weekly

TNH Coffee Cart Volunteers Andy Whincup and Alvin Devasi featured in a great story in the local Northern Star newspaper, about our TNH Social Enterprise Coffee Cart.

Thanks to IDV for their valuable partnership with TNH to provide supported internships at the Coffee Cart to young adults with living with disabilities.

Pop in for a coffee and catch up with our team at the Thomastown Library and Community Centre,
Mon- Fri, 9- 12pm.



➤ **TNH Community Activities will recommence following School Holidays on Monday 7th October.**

Thomastown Neighbourhood House will close for the duration of the School Holidays from this Saturday 19th September and our free, community activities will recommence from Monday 7th October. Please note that the Community Bush Playgroup will still meet on the first Sunday 6th of October 10am- 12pm. Please note, the Thomastown Library will be open throughout the School Holidays and to check out the Yarra Plenty Regional Library School Holiday Program, please visit:

<https://www.yprl.vic.gov.au/explore/programs/school-holiday-program/>

For further information on Thomastown Neighbourhood House , please visit our website: www.tnh.org.au or email manager@tnh.org.au

Thomastown Neighbourhood House

TNH activities continuing during Library Closure

MONDAYS

Community Craft Connections

Craft, coffee & conversation
9am- 12pm

Arabic Playgroup

Presented in partnership with
Jeeran Community Services
10.30am- 12.30pm

Let's Move!

Movement to music for all abilities
1- 2pm @TRAC

FIRST MONDAY OF THE MONTH

Morning Tea & Guest Speaker

11am- 12pm
Presented in partnership with
Yarra Plenty Regional Library &
City of Whittlesea



Please note:
All our
activities
are
FREE!



TUESDAYS

All Seasons

Nature craft for all abilities
10am- 12pm

English Class

Presented in partnership
with PRACE
10am- 1pm
To book call: 03 9462 6077



FOOD RELIEF WITH PROJECT US

Halal Fresh Food Box

Every second Thursday @ TRAC
10.30am- 11.30am
Registrations essential via QR code



WELLNESS WEDNESDAYS

Mindful Meditation

Gentle guided meditation
10am- 11am

Friendship Cafe

Make new friends over a cuppa
11am- 12pm

THURSDAYS

Promisestown Playgroup

For 0- 5 yr olds
10am- 12pm

Little Diggers

Family Fun Club
3.30pm- 5.00pm



FRIDAYS

Women's Painting Circle

(Children welcome)
11.00am - 12.30pm

Please note: Activities
do not take place during
school holidays

FIRST SUNDAY OF THE MONTH

Thomastown Community Bush Playgroup

@on Edgars Creek, Thomas St
Reserve

Join the FB Group for more details:



All Thomastown Neighbourhood House activities will continue throughout the Library renovations.

Whilst we cannot enter the library (where the books are located), we do have access to the foyer, our TNH room and the Library Lounge.

If you are attending: Community Craft Connections, All Seasons, English Class, Mindful Meditation or Women's Painting Circle- please come to the front door of the Library and our TNH team will open the doors for you. Please note, these areas are closed to the general public but TNH can provide access to our participants.

If you are attending: Promisestown Playgroup or Little Diggers, please go to TRAC (next door) and these activities will continue to take place in the TRAC creche. BIG thanks to TRAC for providing their beautiful space for our child focused activities.