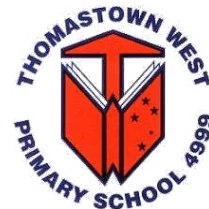


# Thomastown West Primary School Newsletter



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No. 15 Friday 1st November 2024

## 2024 IMPORTANT DATES:

|      |                                              |                                                                                                     |
|------|----------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Mon  | 11 Nov<br>18 Nov<br>25 Nov<br>2 Dec<br>9 Dec | P-4 Swimming Lessons Sessions                                                                       |
| Mon  | 4 Nov                                        | <b>Curriculum Day</b><br><i>Students do not attend school</i>                                       |
| Tue  | 5 Nov                                        | <b>Melbourne Cup Public Holiday</b><br><i>Students do not attend school</i>                         |
| Fri  | 8 Nov                                        | Prep Transition SESSION 2 (9.10am)                                                                  |
| Fri  | 15 Nov                                       | Prep Transition SESSION 3 (9.10am)                                                                  |
| Mon  | 18 Nov                                       | <b>Monday Muster: Writer's Festival</b><br>Parents please attend 3.15pm -4.30pm                     |
| Tue  | 19 Nov                                       | School Council Meeting 6.30pm                                                                       |
| Wed  | 27 Nov                                       | Whole School Colour Fun Run Fundraiser                                                              |
| Fri  | 29 Nov                                       | Grade 1/2 Dinner & Grade 2 Sleep over                                                               |
| Fri  | 6 Dec                                        | <b>Whole School Billycart Race 2.30pm</b><br><i>Parents and Carers are most welcome to attend.</i>  |
| Tue  | 10 Dec                                       | School Council Meeting 6.30pm                                                                       |
| Wed  | 11 Dec                                       | Grade 5/6 Celebration: Funfields                                                                    |
| Thur | 12 Dec                                       | P - 6 Class Parties                                                                                 |
| Mon  | 16 Dec                                       | Whole School Semester 2 Student Reports shared via Compass                                          |
| Tues | 17 Dec                                       | Grade 6 Graduation Ceremony                                                                         |
| Thur | 19 Dec                                       | Meet the Teacher for 2025                                                                           |
| Fri  | 20 Dec                                       | <b>12pm WHOLE SCHOOL ASSEMBLY</b><br>Last day of Term 4, 2024<br><i>Students dismissed at 1.15.</i> |

## From the Principal

### World Teacher's Day

Last week we celebrated **World Teachers' Day!** It was important to recognise the incredible dedication, passion and **impact that our teachers bring to the classroom every day.** Our educators go above and beyond to inspire curiosity, foster growth, and guide students toward their full potential. Mr. Crotti and I would like to express our appreciation for our teachers' unwavering commitment to shaping the future through education. The professionalism, dedication, and support of the TWPS team for our students deserve high commendation. Thank you from the TWPS Community.

### 2025 Prep Transition

Today we welcomed our 2025 Prep students, parents and carers to the first of our Prep transition sessions next term. During these sessions children met with the 2025 Foundation teachers, participated in some activities in the classrooms and meet some of their 2025 peers.

### School Uniform

We are proud to cultivate an environment that promotes both academic achievement and personal growth, whilst also fostering a strong sense of community and belonging. **By wearing a school uniform, students represent their school community and uphold its values, developing a sense of pride and responsibility. We appreciate your support in encouraging your child(ren) to wear the correct school uniform.** We also kindly request your support in reminding to your child(ren) the **importance of wearing their school hat.** This is essential for their safety and protection from the sun's harmful rays.

We have several uniform items in lost property, and I invite you to please come and have a look for anything that may belong to your child/ren.

### Emergency Contact Details

As we commence Term 4, it is timely to think about emergency contact information that is held by the school for your child/children. **Up to date information is vital for the school.** If you or your listed emergency contacts have recently changed contact details, can you please make sure that the office staff have been informed.

**Note:** This also relates to the most up to date medical information for your child/children.

# 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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## Parent Payments

I want to remind you about parent payments for the upcoming school year. **Parent contribution notices were sent home last term.** If you have misplaced your copy, you can request another hard copy from the office **or** find the online notices on our school website:

<https://www.thomwestps.vic.edu.au/page/143/PARENT-PAYMENT-ARRANGEMENTS-2025>

**Your contributions play a vital role in enhancing our educational programs and resources, ensuring that we can provide the best possible learning experiences for our students.** This year, just like last year... we are implementing the streamlined payment process to make it easier for families. We appreciate your understanding and prompt attention to these payments, as they directly support essential activities, materials, and facilities as well as providing devices that are now one to one. **If you have any questions or concerns regarding payments, please feel free to reach out to our administration team.** We are here to assist you and ensure that every child can access the resources they need to succeed.

### Payment methods

Payments can be made by direct debit to our school account, EFTPOS in the office (Visa and Mastercard accepted), or cash directly to the office.

**To enable us to have classroom supplies ready to start the school year, you may choose to make your School Contribution this term at our Office or during the first weeks of Term 1, 2025.**

### Educational items for the students to own:

Parents and carers may choose to purchase their child's educational items elsewhere **or, to ensure your MAXIM orders are delivered ready for the first week of school, orders are placed via the online portal this year.** Choose the time below that suits you best:

- ✓ **Before 8<sup>th</sup> November 2024:** Each 'EARLY BIRD' family who submits their online MAXIM order before 8/11/24 will receive a raffle ticket for each child enrolled at TWPS, for the chance to win UNIFORM SHOP VOUCHERS.
- ✓ **Before 22<sup>nd</sup> November 2024:** Each family who submits their online MAXIM order before 22/11/23 each child enrolled at TWPS will receive a raffle ticket from TWPS for a chance to win a FREE LUNCH!
- ✓ **Before 15<sup>th</sup> December 2024:** The 15<sup>th</sup> December is the **last day to order to guarantee student's pack is delivered to the school before Term 1 begins.**
- ✓ **Orders will be accepted over the December/January holidays HOWEVER, orders after 15/12/24, MAXIM will charge a LATE FEE of \$15.00** and items will be delivered during the first 2 weeks of Term 1 instead.
- ✓ **LAST CHANCE to order is the last day Term 1 Week 1 in 2025. Orders will not be accepted after 31<sup>st</sup> January 2025.**

## Start Dates for 2025

We know that some families might be planning summer holidays and will be keen to know school start dates for 2025. They are:

- Teachers are officially back at work on Tuesday 28th January
- Students in years 1-6 start back on 29th Wednesday, January 2025.
- Prep students begin Friday 31st January at 8:45am.

## Protecting against mosquito-borne diseases



Warm and wet weather can result in greater numbers of mosquitoes and increased risk of illnesses from mosquito bites. While the overall risk is low, some mosquitoes carry diseases that make people sick.

The best protection against mosquito-borne illness is to avoid mosquito bites.

Families can protect against mosquito bites by:

- ✓ covering up as much as possible with long, loose-fitting, light-coloured clothing
- ✓ applying insect repellent that contains picaridin or DEET on exposed skin when leaving home
- ✓ limiting outdoor activity if lots of mosquitoes are active.

Families with any health concerns should see their doctor or phone NURSE-ON-CALL: 1300 606 024 (available 24 hours).

### Find out more

For more information on protecting against mosquito-borne diseases, families can refer to the following *Better Health Channel* pages:

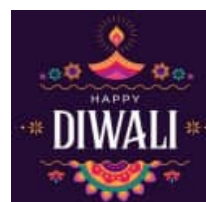
- Mosquitoes can carry diseases
- Protect yourself from mosquito-borne disease, including a handy checklist to help reduce mosquito breeding sites at home and resources translated into other languages.

\*\*\* Click HERE for the translated information. \*\*\*

## Upcoming Curriculum Day

Please do not forget that we have one Curriculum day in Term 4. **Students do not attend school on Monday 4th November 2024.**

## DIWALI



Today, many of our families are celebrating Diwali, the Festival of Light. Diwali symbolizes the triumph of light over darkness and is a time for families to come together, decorate their homes with lamps, enjoy sweets, and share joy. Fireworks and colourful decorations fill the night, bringing brightness and warmth to communities.

To everyone celebrating, **Happy Diwali!** May it bring light, happiness, and peace to all.

**Enjoy your extra-long weekend!** I hope you can squeeze in some family board game time. 😊 **See you all on Wednesday 6th November, ready for an 8:45am start!**

Sandi Young  
Principal

## 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 1<sup>st</sup> 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 1<sup>st</sup> 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/>



# 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.*

# Cybersafety

Well done and thank you to the students  
who participated in the  
TWPS Cybersafety competition.

Congratulations to our winners below!





# Stars of the Week



Term 4 - Week 3

|               |    |                                                                                                                                                          |
|---------------|----|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Nevaeh        | 2  | For writing a great narrative about a birthday party                                                                                                     |
| Lujane        | 3  | Great narrative writing about the birthday party.                                                                                                        |
| Aiyana        | 5  | For demonstrating respect when actively listening and respectfully contributing ideas to class discussions.                                              |
| Sarah         | 6  | For striving to be her best when working independently. Well done Sarah!                                                                                 |
| An            | 9  | For striving to be his best during Maths. He has combined his Maths knowledge to problem solve and come up with solutions to this week's learning tasks. |
| Bowie         | 10 | For writing a fantastic narrative about a Picnic gone wrong. You included all the elements to produce a great piece of writing.                          |
| Moayad        | 11 | For being engaged during class discussions, actively thinking and thoughtfully sharing opinions and insights.                                            |
| Cassie        | 12 | For demonstrating empathy and kindness to her classmates. Always lending a helping hand, so lovely to see.                                               |
| Olivia W      | 15 | For being responsible in engaging in classroom activities most of the time.                                                                              |
| Joyce         | 16 | For doing a fantastic job at finding different ways to count and combine coins to make an exact amount. You Superstar!                                   |
| Adem          | 17 | For consistently completing his homework. Well done!                                                                                                     |
| Marcus Room 9 |    | <b>Music:</b> For working hard in Music and achieving his performance goals. Well done Marcus!                                                           |
| Jaxon Room 6  |    | <b>STEM</b> For participating meaningfully to classroom discussions about living and nonliving things!                                                   |
| Cyrus Room 12 |    | <b>ART</b> By excelling in a sewing activity, challenging himself to problem-solve and stitch his own name! A sensational effort Cyrus!                  |

# Stars of the Week

Term 4 - Week 3



Term 4 - Week 4





# Stars of the Week



## Term 4 - Week 4

|                |                                                                                                                                                            |                                                                                                                                 |
|----------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Zara           | 2                                                                                                                                                          | For using great problem solving skills during Maths                                                                             |
| Adam           | 3                                                                                                                                                          | Impressive reading and reaching Level F in F&P's. Great work Adam!!                                                             |
| Mieke          | 5                                                                                                                                                          | For striving to be her best by using descriptive language when creating her narrative writing.                                  |
| Dian           | 6                                                                                                                                                          | Striving to be his best when using various Maths strategies. Keep up the great work Dian!                                       |
| Ahmed          | 9                                                                                                                                                          | For being a responsible and respectful learner and following all school values.                                                 |
| Philo          | 10                                                                                                                                                         | For striving to be his best during his latest reading tests and progressing 4 levels. Well done Philo. What a fantastic result! |
| Chloe          |                                                                                                                                                            | For striving to be her best during her latest reading tests and progressing 4 levels. Well done Chloe. What a fantastic result! |
| Lucas          | 11                                                                                                                                                         | For consistently completing his homework with dedication and a positive attitude .                                              |
| Attila         | 12                                                                                                                                                         | For demonstrating resilience and persevering when things become challenging. So proud of your efforts!!                         |
| Haneen         | 15                                                                                                                                                         | For applying herself in all areas of her learning and being a great helper to her fellow class members.                         |
| Musa           | 16                                                                                                                                                         | For accurately solving the money problem and providing a clear explanation of how you calculated the change.                    |
| Sairon         | 17                                                                                                                                                         | For trying hard with his reading and having a go! Keep it up.                                                                   |
| Murad Room 2   | <b>Music:</b> For trying his best, being a great listener and showing understanding in Music. Well done Murad!                                             |                                                                                                                                 |
| An Room 9      | <b>STEM:</b> For taking leadership and working collaboratively in a group to design his team Billy Cart Logo!                                              |                                                                                                                                 |
| Elissa Room 17 | <b>ART:</b> By being a totally dedicated art student, working with care and determination to master skills in modelling with clay. A superb effort Elissa! |                                                                                                                                 |

# **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.

|                               |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              |
|-------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| <b><i>Chicken Pox</i></b>     | Until fully recovered. Please note some remaining scabs are not an indication for continued exclusion.                                                                                                                                       |
| <b><i>Conjunctivitis</i></b>  | Exclude until discharge from eyes has ceased.                                                                                                                                                                                                |
| <b><i>COVID-19</i></b>        | 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.                    |
| <b><i>Head Lice</i></b>       | Until treated with solution as recommended by the City of Whittlesea, Health Office.                                                                                                                                                         |
| <b><i>Impetigo</i></b>        | 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. |
| <b><i>Measles</i></b>         | For at least seven days from the appearance of the rash or until medical certificate of recovery is produced.                                                                                                                                |
| <b><i>Mumps</i></b>           | Until fully recovered                                                                                                                                                                                                                        |
| <b><i>Ringworm</i></b>        | Until appropriate treatment has commenced and is supported by a medical certificate.                                                                                                                                                         |
| <b><i>Rubella</i></b>         | Until fully recovered and at least 4 days from the onset of the rash.                                                                                                                                                                        |
| <b><i>Scarlet Fever</i></b>   | Until a medical certificate of recovery is produced.                                                                                                                                                                                         |
| <b><i>Viral Hepatitis</i></b> | Until a medical certificate of recovery is produced, or on subsidence of symptoms but not before seven days after onset of jaundice.                                                                                                         |
| <b><i>Whooping Cough</i></b>  | For four weeks or until a medical certificate of recovery is produced.                                                                                                                                                                       |

# Every day of Learning Counts

## Term 4 Week 4 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   | 87%             | 88%                   | Room 9   | 82%             | 86%                                                                                     |
| Room 3   | 83%             | 85%                   | Room 10  | 92%             |  93% |
| Year 1/2 | Last Week       | This Week             | Room 11  | 93%             | 88%                                                                                     |
| Room 5   | 84%             | 80%                   | Room 12  | 90%             | 91%                                                                                     |
| Room 6   | 88%             | 78%                   | Year 3/4 | Last Week       | This Week                                                                               |
|          |                 |                       | Room 15  | 89%             | 81%                                                                                     |
|          |                 |                       | Room 16  | 86%             | 84%                                                                                     |
|          |                 |                       | Room 17  | 85%             | 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 4 Week 4 is Room 10

## TWPS CUP OF LIFE UPDATE

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

|         |                |                 |                 |                |                |                 |                |  |  |
|---------|----------------|-----------------|-----------------|----------------|----------------|-----------------|----------------|--|--|
| Room 2  | Term 1<br>Wk 4 | Term 1<br>Wk 5  | Term 4<br>Wk 1  |                |                |                 |                |  |  |
| Room 3  | Term 2<br>Wk 9 |                 |                 |                |                |                 |                |  |  |
|         |                |                 |                 |                |                |                 |                |  |  |
| Room 5  | Term 2<br>Wk 6 | Term 3<br>Wk 7  | Term 3<br>Wk 8  | Term 3<br>Wk 9 |                |                 |                |  |  |
| Room 6  |                |                 |                 |                |                |                 |                |  |  |
|         |                |                 |                 |                |                |                 |                |  |  |
| Room 9  | Term 3<br>Wk 1 |                 |                 |                |                |                 |                |  |  |
| Room 10 | Term 2<br>Wk 8 | Term 3<br>Wk 4  | Term 4<br>Wk 4  |                |                |                 |                |  |  |
| Room 11 | Term 2<br>Wk 5 | Term 3<br>Wk 2  | Term 3<br>Wk 6  |                |                |                 |                |  |  |
| Room 12 | Term 1<br>Wk 6 | Term 1<br>Wk 7  | Term 1<br>Wk 8  | Term 2<br>Wk 1 | Term 2<br>Wk 2 | Term 3<br>Wk 10 | Term 4<br>Wk 3 |  |  |
|         |                |                 |                 |                |                |                 |                |  |  |
| Room 15 |                |                 |                 |                |                |                 |                |  |  |
| Room 16 | Term 2<br>Wk 7 | Term 2<br>Wk 10 | Term 2<br>Wk 11 |                |                |                 |                |  |  |
| Room 17 | Term 2<br>Wk 3 | Term 2<br>Wk 4  | Term 3<br>Wk 3  | Term 3<br>Wk 5 | Term 4<br>Wk 2 |                 |                |  |  |

# Top Dojo Earners



**Congratulations to Room 12 with 625 Dojo Points**

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



|                                         | WEEK 3                     | WEEK 4                     |
|-----------------------------------------|----------------------------|----------------------------|
| Prep/1                                  | Brian L<br>5 Dojo Points   | Harley<br>13 Dojo Points   |
| Grade 1/2                               | Elina<br>18 Dojo Points    | Julian<br>20 Dojo Points   |
| Grade 3/4                               | Taliyah<br>24 Dojo Points  | Musa<br>17 Dojo Points     |
| Grade 5/6                               | Dakota<br>64 Dojo Points   | Eric<br>60 Dojo Points     |
| Most Dojo points Prep - 6               | Dakota<br>64 Dojo Points   | Eric<br>60 Points          |
| The classroom with the most Dojo points | Room 11<br>939 Dojo Points | Room 12<br>625 Dojo Points |

# Assemblies

| TEAM ASSEMBLY<br>In your child's building   | WHOLE SCHOOL ASSEMBLY<br>Multipurpose Room/ Basketball court |
|---------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------|
| Term 4 Week 1 Friday 11th October 2:30pm ✓  | Term 4 Week 2 Friday 18th October 2:30pm ✓                   |
| Term 4 Week 3 Friday 25th October 2:30pm ✓  | Term 4 Week 4 Friday 1st November 2:30pm ✓                   |
| Term 4 Week 5 Friday 8th November 2:30pm    | Term 4 Week 6 Friday 15th November 2:30pm                    |
| Term 4 Week 7 Friday 22nd November 2:30pm   | Term 4 Week 8 Friday 29th November 2.30pm                    |
| Term 4 Week 9 Friday 6th December 2:30pm    | Term 4 Week 10 Friday 13th December 2:30pm                   |
| Term 4 Week 11 Friday 20th December 12.00pm |                                                              |

# FUNDRAISING

## ➤ Incentive Prizes

Fundraising for our Colour Explosion School Run 4 Fun is entirely online. At the end of the fundraiser, student's incentive prizes are ordered automatically based on their fundraising total and Golden Coins. Students can win up to 15 unique incentive prizes!

You only need to raise \$10 to achieve your first incentive prize. From there, you will win more and more as your fundraising total soars! For example, if you raise \$100, you will win incentive prizes A, B, C, D & E!

## ➤ Monty the MonSTAR Prizes!

Monty the MonSTAR is giving away lots of extra prizes to help you reach for the fundraising STARS! Will you collect them all? Check out your sponsorship booklet to see what Monty has up for grabs.

## ➤ \$10,000 Budget Booster Bonanza Shopping Spree!

What would your family buy with a \$10,000?! The highest fundraising student in our school will go into the draw to win: \$2,500 Coles Card, \$2,500 Woolworths Fuel Card, \$2,500 Harvey Norman Card and a \$2,500 Visa Card.

## ➤ Win a PlayStation 5 Gaming Bundle!

Do you have a need for speed? The highest fundraising student in Australia will take home an awesome PlayStation 5 gaming bundle, complete with a NEW PlayStation 5 Console, VR2 Headset and Sense Controllers!

You have to be in it to win it! If you haven't already, make sure you start fundraising online at [www.australianfundraising.com.au](http://www.australianfundraising.com.au). Happy fundraising!

**NOTE: How to create a profile page is on the following page.**



# HOW TO CREATE A MY PROFILE PAGE

1. Type <http://www.myprofilepage.com.au> into your internet URL search bar

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

**Tip:** Google Chrome is the preferred internet browser for the website.

2. Click **Register** to create a Parent log in

3. Create a Parent Log In

The parent/guardian sign up information to create a log into the website.

**Parent/Guardian Registration**

|                                                     |                                                             |
|-----------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------|
| <input type="text" value="Parent's First Name"/>    | <input type="text" value="Parent's Last Name"/>             |
| <input type="text" value="Parent's Email Address"/> | <input type="text" value="Confirm Parent's Email Address"/> |
| <input type="text" value="Password"/>               | <input type="text" value="Confirm Password"/>               |

☐ I agree to the My Profile Page's [Terms & Condition](#) and [Privacy Policy](#)

☐ I agree to GoFundraise [Terms and Condition](#), [Privacy Policy](#) and [Data Collection and Privacy](#)

☐ I would like to receive a monthly newsletter

**REGISTER**



4. Create a Profile Page

1. Enter First and Last Name

2. Search your Group!  
You will need to **type 4-5 letters** of the group's Name for the group to pop up for selection.

3. Select Class

4. Click Next Step

**Create a profile page for your child**

|                                                                |                                                |
|----------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------|
| <input type="text" value="Student First Name"/>                | <input type="text" value="Student Last Name"/> |
| <input type="text" value="Search by School Name - Type Here"/> |                                                |

**NEXT**

**5. Select** your fundraising goal by choosing the prize you wish to reach! You can aim high to collect all 15 or set it low and update throughout the fundraiser!

**CLICK CREATE PAGE** once goal is selected

## Congratulations!

Your Profile Page is now created for your group!  
Check out your profile and make additional edits!

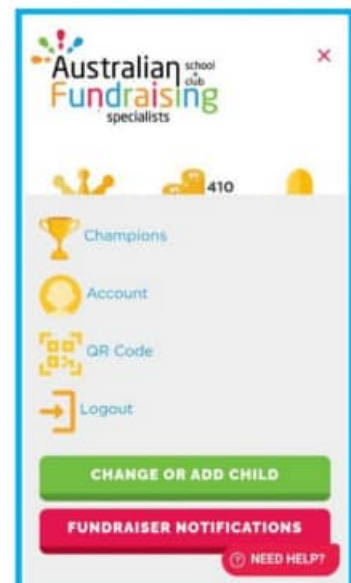
1. Create a Profile Avatar
2. Edit your fundraising story
3. Check out how you can earn bonus donations by clicking the coin chest
4. Share your page to friends and family! This is the only way to obtain donations for your group.
5. Self-Donate! This is submitting an online donation yourself to the profile



## Can I create more profile pages?

YES! If you have more than 1 child, you can create additional profiles on the same parent log in.

1. Simply click the 2 horizontal lines top right if using a mobile device.
2. Click the Change/Add Child Button
3. Complete the Create a Profile Page again



**Need Help?** The team at Australian Fundraising can help between Monday-Friday 8am-4pm aest.

Simply click the NEED HELP button and pop through a ticket for help.

# HAPPY FUNDRAISING!

# WEEKLY RECAP



## Term 4 Week 3

This week at Thomastown West PS Theircare...

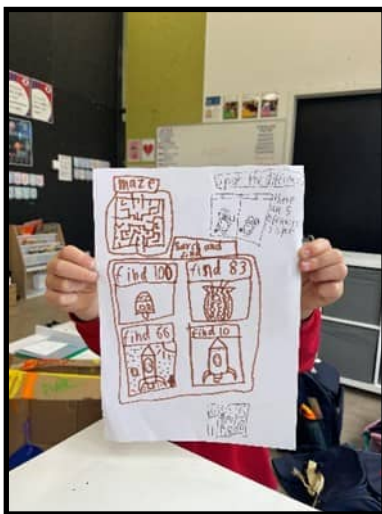
### PUZZLE WEEK

This week Thomastown West Theircare held a puzzle week where the children created their own puzzles and mazes. The children completed booklets filled with different mazes. The children have also been working on creating a puppet show as part of Theircare. They have built the stage and have made so many amazing puppet characters. Aside from the puzzle building and games we have played, we have also enjoyed our week with some outside play on the playground!

As the week comes to an end we are also saying goodbye to our current coordinator Ebony who will be finishing up on Friday. Ebony will be replaced by Annie who has been in the service for the past couple of days getting to know the children. Ebony will greatly miss the children however Annie is an amazing coordinator and a great addition to Theircare!

I hope everyone has a lovely weekend! 😊

### Photo highlights of the week!! .



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

Please ensure that you are cancelling your booking 24 hours prior to the session to avoid paying. Please ensure to add children in for a session or let us know beforehand to make necessary changes as early as possible.

Thank you! Thomastown West Coordinator

Ebony and Annie



# THOMASTOWN ON-CAMPUS STORE

## BELEZA TRADING HOURS



Dear School Community,

### Store Closure for Melbourne Cup Day Public Holiday

Please be advised that due to the Melbourne Cup Day public holiday, **your local Beleza store will be closed on Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> of November**. We'll reopen to our usual trading hours from Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> of November. Please note that for stores that are typically closed on Wednesdays, our next trading day will be Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> of November.

To confirm your local store's trading hours, please refer to our Google Business listing for your local store.

We'd like to apologise for any inconvenience that this closure may cause, and wish you all the best for the public holiday. We look forward to seeing you in-store again when we return!

All the best,

Beleza School Uniforms

| TERM 4 2024     |                        |                               |                        |                        |
|-----------------|------------------------|-------------------------------|------------------------|------------------------|
| <b>OCTOBER</b>  | Tues 8th<br>1pm - 4pm  | Tues 15th<br>1pm - 4pm        | Tues 22nd<br>1pm - 4pm | Tues 29th<br>1pm - 4pm |
| <b>NOVEMBER</b> | Tues 12th<br>1pm - 4pm | Tues 19th<br>1pm - 4pm        | Tues 26th<br>1pm - 4pm |                        |
| <b>DECEMBER</b> | Tues 3rd<br>1pm - 4pm  | Tues 10th<br>10.00am - 4.30pm | Tues 17th<br>1pm - 4pm |                        |



# **TNH AGM & Lunch**

## **Friday 8th November, 2024**

### **11am- 1pm**

Thomastown Library & Community Centre

52 Main St, Thomastown

**11am:** AGM in Courtyard

**12pm:** Light lunch in Library Lounge

+ TNH Volunteer Awards

**RSVP by Tue 5th Nov**

**[manager@tnh.org.au](mailto:manager@tnh.org.au)**

The meeting will include presentation of the  
TNH Annual Report & Financial Statements for the  
financial year ending June 30, 2024.

This will be followed by elections for the coming year.

# 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

**Promisetown 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 deals:



*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: Promisetown 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.