



Valley Views

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Dear Parents and Guardians,

Cybersafety

Cybersafety is an important part of our teaching program at Templestowe Valley. At school, we teach students about how to stay safe online and what to do if they come across something online that they are unsure about. As part of our program, we have organised for a 'Think u Know' presentation for parents on Wednesday 4 March at 5:30pm. This is a great way for parents to find out more about how to protect your children online.

NAPLAN

The NAPLAN testing for Year 3&5 students is scheduled to take place from Wednesday 11 March to Monday 23 March.

The National Assessment Program – Literacy and Numeracy (NAPLAN) is a literacy and numeracy assessment that students in Years 3, 5, 7 and 9 sit each year. It is the only national assessment all Australian students have the opportunity to undertake.

As students' progress through their school years, it is important to check how well they are learning the essential skills of reading, writing and numeracy.

NAPLAN assesses the literacy and numeracy skills that students are learning through the school curriculum and allows parents/carers to see how their child is progressing against national proficiency standards.

School Photos

Our School Photos are being taken on **Wednesday 18 March**. Please ensure your child is dressed in full school uniform on the day. Orders can now be made through your Compass Portal via your email link or under the COMMUNITY tab in Compass.

5/6 Interschool Sport

Next week, our 5/6 students will be participating in the first Interschool Sports day of the year. The students will be competing against other schools in Manningham in Cricket, Basketball, Rounders, Tennis and Softball. We wish them all the best for Thursday.

Happy Retirement Audrey

Audrey's last day at TVPS was yesterday. Audrey has been a huge support at our school to parents, students and staff. We wish her all the best in her retirement. Samantha Smith will be taking on her roles in the office as well as First Aid and Uniform.



Calendar

March	
2/3	Division Swimming
4/3	Think u Know parent session 5:30pm
5/3	Yr 5/6 Interschool Sport
9/3	Labour Day Public Holiday
11/3 - 23/3	Yr 3&5 NAPLAN
12/3	Big Friends Little Friends BBQ
18/3	School Photos
20/3	Manningham Youth Parent Forum at TVPS 9am
21/3	Harmony Day
23 - 27/3	Yrs 3-6 Swimming Lessons School Council 6:30pm
30/3	District Tennis No Assembly

April	
1/4	5/6 Interschool Sport
2/4	Easter Bonnet Parade Students finish at 2:30pm

2026 Term Dates

27 January to 2 April

20 April to 26 June

13 July to 18 September

5 October to 18 December

School Leaders

On Monday, we presented the badge to our Student Voice and Sustainability leaders from Prep to Year 5. Congratulations to the following students:

Student Voice Leaders

Grade	Student Voice Leader - Wellbeing	Student Voice Leader - JSC
2ES	Sena J	Hannah W
3LR	Clara R	Jake V
3CS	Olivia L	Viva B R
4OL	Penny T	Henderson L
4MS	Hannah C-L	Peyton V D R
5FG	Miranda K	Giselle T
5AV	Audrey L	Ivy S
5JV	Jaden C	Dylan B

Sustainability Leaders

OCD	Noah L
OGD	Samantha S
1MN	Avelina B
1BL	Luca P
2ES	Isla V
3LR	Roselan D
3CS	Isidora H S
4OL	Amla M
4MS	Baran M
5FG	Abi C, Theodore W
5AV	Vivienne W, Nika Z
5JV	Ariz A, Pelayia P

First Aid Training

Each year our staff undertake First Aid training to update our skills to look after the students at TVPS. The staff are currently completing their online modules in preparation for their practical assessments next week after school.

District Swimming

At the District Swimming last Monday, we had two of our students make it through to the Division Competition. Mitchell in the Butterfly and Will in both the Freestyle and Backstroke. We wish them all the best at the Division final on Monday 2 March.



Uniform

It is important that all students wear the correct uniform each day.

If you need to purchase new uniform, you can attend the uniform shop next to the canteen on a Monday from 9:30-10:30. If you need to order at any other time, please contact Sam Smith who looks after all uniform requirements. Order forms are available at the office and on the website.

Second Hand uniform is available for purchase from the Hall with Donna and Dora on a Monday morning 9:30-10:30.

Photographing of Students

As a parent myself, it is important to take photos of your child and share them with your family. They are really special moments, especially when receiving an award at assembly etc. It is also important that we protect all our students and families. At school, we have strict guidelines from the Department of Education that we follow to protect students and families.

Just a reminder to all our families that if you are taking a photo of your child at school, please don't take photos of other students without permission from their parents.

Drop off and Pick up

Just a reminder to parents to check the signs carefully when parking around our school. Please don't park in driveways or in No Standing zones. The local laws officers are patrolling to check the parking. Please also remind your children to use the school crossing and look both ways when crossing any roads.

School Crossings

We have a school crossing operated by the Manningham Council on Airds Road and Birchwood Avenue. Please use these crossings when crossing the road for the safety of your child.

Hats

Just a reminder that all students are required to wear their hats at school, especially Term 1 & 4 and on days when the UV level is 3 or above. Hats are available from the Uniform Shop. A **'No Hat, No Play'** policy applies. Students without hats will stay in the undercover areas during recess and lunch times.

Carparks

Just a reminder that the carparks inside the school grounds are for staff only, deliveries and emergency vehicles. Please don't park in these carparks. Please use the drop off zones or parking bays around the school.

Communication with Staff

Templestowe Valley Primary School understands the importance of providing helpful and timely responses to common enquiries from parents and carers. To ensure that members of our school community are directed to the most appropriate person to assist them, the information below outlines key contacts for common queries:

- To report a student absence, please complete the absence on Compass
- To report any urgent issues relating to a student on a particular day, please contact the school office by phone
- For Before/After School Care bookings, please use Xplor. For any last-minute changes, please contact the Before/After Care coordinator 0148505526. Please let the school office know by phone if you would like a staff member to let your child know they need to go to After Care
- For any formal communication such as a discussion about a student's academic progress, health or wellbeing, please contact your classroom teacher by email/Seesaw. The teacher will then follow up with a phone call, face to face/Online meeting or a return email
- For any informal communication such as finding out about what's happening in the classroom etc, please contact your classroom teacher via Seesaw
- For enquiries regarding camps and excursions, please contact the Camp Coordinator or your classroom teacher via email
- To make a complaint, please contact the Principal/Assistant Principal. Please also refer to our Complaints policy, available on our school website
- To report a potential hazard or incident on the school site, please contact the school office
- For parent payments, please contact the school office
- For all other enquiries, please contact our school office on 88505777

We will do our best to respond to general queries as soon as possible. The right to disconnect legislation makes explicit that all employees have the right to refuse to monitor, read, listen to or respond to contact that occurs outside their working hours from their employer or a third party (such as a student or a parent), unless that refusal is unreasonable. We ask that you allow us 2 – 3 working days to provide you with a response to general queries. We will endeavour to respond to urgent matters within 24 hours where possible.

Interpreting Services

We can arrange for interpreting support if you are from a language background other than English and need help with understanding important educational information about your child. Contact the school office for more information.

Wellbeing Reminders

School Attendance- Everyday Matters

Why going to school is important

Going to school every day is an important part of your child's education. Children and young people learn new things at school every day, connect with friends, have fun and develop good habits that help them to succeed. Attending and participating in school will help your child:

- develop important skills and knowledge to help them learn
- develop social and emotional skills such as good communication, resilience and team-work
- establish friendships with peers which help develop self-esteem and a sense of belonging

There is no good number of days for missing school. Being away from school for 1 day a fortnight adds up to missing 4 whole weeks of school a year. Where possible, you should avoid your child missing school, for example, make appointments for your child outside of school hours and keep family holidays to outside term time.

Please talk to your child's classroom teacher, Anne Hillman Wellbeing Learning Specialist or Robert Cretney Assistant Principal if you have any concerns.

Coming up

Manningham Youth Services Forum for parents

Friday 20th March

9.00am in the main staffroom.

Come along and have a tea/coffee and chat with member of the Youth Services team



FREE PARENT
SESSION
THINK YOU KNOW
CYBER SAFETY

All TVPS Parents/Carers are invited to attend this session.

When: Wednesday March 4th 5.30pm

Where: Block C Year 5 end enter via Birchwood Ave

Childcare will be available:

Please contact Anne Hillman if you require childcare
anne.hillman@education.vic.gov.au

Happy
Weekend
Everyone

*Take the time to do what you
love to do this weekend.*