Templestowe Valley Primary School

Valley Views



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FROM THE PRINCIPAL'S DESK – ALISON REES

"Why TVPS?"

This is a question that I'm often asked by prospective parents, and even my own family and friends. Having worked at a number of different primary schools throughout my 35 years in education – big and small, rural and suburban - I can state, with absolutely no bias, we are doing wonderful things at TVPS. Our students, your children, are just fabulous people $^{\sim}$ caring, respectful, enthusiastic, excited about learning $^{\sim}$ and are our greatest ambassadors. Our aim to provide learning opportunities to support and develop the whole child, not just the academic child, is reflected through our programs and activities, and is a strength of our school.

One of the things that I love about TVPS is where we're situated. We have a beautiful property tucked away in quiet suburban streets. Our trees and gardens, (not to forget the hill!), shelter our buildings from the road and give us a haven; a little bit of peace in an otherwise very busy world. Not being seen is an <u>advantage</u> as we're a bit of a secret and our community can enjoy using the school grounds in the evening and on weekends.

Having said that, not being seen is also a <u>disadvantage</u> because prospective parents often don't know that we're here and we rely on our families promoting our school in order to get enrolments. Enrolments mean more money for the school, and more money benefits <u>ALL</u> our students through the provision of our specialist programs, the upkeep and development of our school facilities, and resourcing of materials, equipment and technology.

What this means is that in order to maintain and develop the learning environment and opportunities we're able to provide for our students, we need to maintain and grow our enrolments. To do this, we have to be creative in how we promote and market ourselves to the wider community. One special event that we hold annually is:

A Taste of TVPS Open Morning 9:00am to 12:00pm

This year it's being held on Saturday March 27th.

The primary goal of this event is to showcase our school to prospective families with the aim of boosting enrolments for the following year \sim 2022. However it's also a wonderful opportunity for our school to do a little bit of fundraising.

So let's talk fundraising. As our School Council members and staff are aware, our school has taken a significant financial hit over the last 12 months – specifically due to processes introduced during the COVID-19 period, so we need to work hard to put money back in our TVPS coffers. Regular fundraising and gaining sponsorship for this Open Morning event and our 2021 production of Aladdin Jnr are vital.

HELP PLEASE – In order for this event, and our school to be a success, and a wonderful place for your children, we really need support from TVPS parents and volunteers.

Calendar

MARCH

Mon 15th Whole School Assembly
Tue 16th SCHOOL PHOTO DAY
Thu 18th Y6 Interschool Sport

Fri 19th Celebrating Harmony Day

Sat 20th WORKING BEE

Mon 22nd Pupil Free Day #3

Mon 22nd Y5 & Y6 District Tennis

Sat 27th A Taste of TVPS

Wed 31st Chinese Cultural Day

APRIL

Thu 1st
Last Day of Term 1
2:30 Finish

Mon 19th First Day of Term 2

2021 Term Dates

28 January to 1 April 2021 19 April to 25 June 2021

12 July to 17 September 2021

4 October to 17 December 2021

I hear you ask, "What is it that I can do to help with this Open Morning event?"

Prior to the day:

1. Advertise

- this event, and our school, through all your channels social media, friends, work place, etc.
 - The flyer is attached to the Newsletter Compass post and to the SeeSaw post as both a PDF and PNG file.

2. Walk

- We will be doing a letter box flyer drop so are calling for volunteers to walk the area posting flyers in letterboxes during the week beginning Monday March 22.
 - This can be done in your own time. We do have a map of the area in the Office and allocate walking zones as walkers come in to collect flyers.

Please register as a walker via this link: https://forms.gle/ye3v4GMkAPGogWhf7

3. Cook

- There will be a Cake Stall being held on the Open Morning so we are calling for baked donations.
- We would prefer these to be delivered to school on the <u>afternoon of Friday</u>
 March 26th.
 - If not, then between 8:00 8:30am on the Saturday morning as they will need to be sorted and priced.

On the actual day – Saturday March 27th:

4. Volunteer

We need people to help with the:

- Sausage Sizzle (Bread very kindly donated by Bakers Delight)
 - Cooking or Selling
- Drinks & Icy Pole Stall
 - **Selling** (Hopefully some of our Yr 5 and 6 students might be available to help with this.)
- Cake Stall
 - Sorting and Pricing or Selling (Not to forget eating!)
- Sustainability Garden
 - Planting, Weeding, etc. (Weather permitting)

Please register as a volunteer via this link: https://forms.gle/ye3v4GMkAPGogWhf7



JOIN US ON SATURDAY MARCH 27TH

ATASTE OF TVPS

OPEN MORNING 9:00AM TO 12:00PM
TEMPLESTOWE VALLEY PRIMARY SCHOOL



NOW TAKING ENROLMENTS FOR 2022

For further information or to arrange a tour with the Principal Alison Rees Please contact us on (03) 8850 5777



A TASTE OF TVPS

SATURDAY 27TH MARCH 9:00AM TO 12:00PM

A taste of TVPS Open Morning provides families with an opportunity to see the school in action. Visitors can view classrooms and learning spaces, chat with some of our students, staff and other TVPS parents, and learn about our curricular and co-curricular offerings. Guided tours are offered throughout the morning by our School Leaders and Staff.

Other activities on the morning include:

- Sausage Sizzle
- Morning Tea
- Coffee Van
- Sustainability Garden
- Art & Craft activities
- STEM demonstrations

IMPORTANT UPCOMING EVENTS ~ DATES FOR THE DIARY

- Tuesday March 16th- School Photo Day
- Friday March 19 Celebrating Harmony Day
 - Bullying "No Way" JSC Dress Up Event
- Saturday March 20th
 - *Working Bees 9:00am 12:00pm*
 - o ALL welcome parents & children (Sausage sizzle at 12:00pm)
- Monday March 22nd
 - PUPIL FREE DAY Curriculum Day for teachers
 - No students at school
- Saturday March 27th ~ A Taste of TVPS Open Morning
 - 9:00am 12:00pm
- Wednesday March 31st ~ Chinese Cultural Day
 - Special assembly & dress up event
- Thursday April 1st ~ Last Day of Term 1
 - Easter Bonnet Parade & Easter Raffle Draw
 - o 2:30pm Dismissal



TVPS SCHOOL COUNCIL ELECTIONS



"Everybody can be great...because anybody can serve. You don't have to have a college degree to serve. You don't have to make your subject and verb agree to serve. You only need a heart full of grace. A soul generated by love." — Martin Luther King Jr

As with any organisation, there are times of change which bring sorrow and sadness, whilst at the same time providing opportunities. School Council elections are one of those times.

At the start of each year we farewell and thank serving members who have contributed much to the operational side of our school. Some of these parents and teachers have been on SC for a number of years and have provided a huge wealth of experience and support, not only to myself as Principal, but to our community and for our students.

Before announcing the results of the SC elections, I would like to sincerely than the following people for their commitment and service to our school. They will be sadly missed. Thank you to:

- Cassian James
- Kate Tota
- Anthony Toscano
- Christine Gouramanis

- Faith Toy
- David Cursio
- Jenni Bevacqua

With these members stepping down, or in some cases "retirement" as their children have now left our school, it provides an opportunity to bring new members on board; all of whom have their own experiences, skills and areas of expertise to share with SC and our community.

We have now completed the election process for both the DET Members and the Parent Category Members. It is with great pleasure that I announce the newly elected School Council members.

Parent Category Members		DET Members	
Standing	Newly Elected	Standing	Newly Elected
Eva Wong (President)Daniel EsslingerVeridiana VeridianaJohn Chu	Vanessa AllegrettoWarda YasirHesam Zamani	Alison ReesAnne HillmanNicole Bisas	 Elizabeth Henderson Robert Cretney

Unfortunately though our School Council is <u>not yet complete</u>. We have had two (2) currently serving parent members step down, and so **we need to recruit** ~ second two (2) parent members to School Council. These positions are only for a one (1) year as a member finished mid-term.

If you might be interested in being seconded onto the TVPS School Council for one (1) year, please email me – Alison Rees on <u>Alison.Rees@education.vic.gov.au</u> to register your interest.

Our first meeting of the new TVPS School Council is scheduled for Monday March 29 at 7:00pm and I look forward to working with such a wonderful group of committed and energised members of our school community.

2021 Student Leadership Celebrations – Junior School Council Reps

Templestowe Valley's Junior School Council (JSC) is a student group that aims to understand the issues impacting on the students around the school, to problem solve solutions and act on them to improve the school. At Templestowe Valley, the JSC is made up of an elected representative from each class in Years 3-6.

We know that students have a positive contribution to make within the decision-making processes of our school. When students are actively involved in these processes, they have an enhanced sense of commitment to the school and its programs. At Templestowe Valley, our Junior School Council aims to:

- o provide students with a sense of pride and achievement
- o develop caring and responsible attitudes within the children
- o provide an avenue for the development of 'student voice' within the school,



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raise student awareness of local and global issues and associated support options.

Our elected representatives commit for a year of service to our school community. They meet regularly with our JSC Coordinators – Carly Bertelli and Julie McLean are able led by our JSC Leader – *Holly M.*

Templestowe Valley's JSC is responsible for:

- discussing issues raised by students and teachers,
- reporting back to their own class, and for some, another junior school class,
- o making recommendations to Leadership on aspects of school life, and
- o supporting those who are less fortunate by providing services or by contributing to fundraising activities arranged within the school community or by outside agencies.

Badge Presentation – Monday March 15

At <u>NEXT</u> Monday's assembly – Monday March 15, we will congratulate the following students on their commitment and service to Templestowe Valley and present them with their Junior School Council badge. We know that they will wear it with pride.

Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6
Laura M – 3LRElizabeth A – 3GO	 Jayden PV – 4CC Amara N – 4GC Matthew W – 4EH 	 Aliyah E-A – 5AH Alicia W – 5JV Hirad J – 5ME 	Zara N – 6KSHarley LG - 6NB

2021 Student Leadership Celebrations – Sustainability Captains

At TVPS, two (2) Sustainability Captains are chosen from each class Prep – Yr 6. Our TVPS Sustainability Captains are students who are interested in improving our school environment through different actions and initiatives. These students work under the guidance of a Sustainable Coordinator and meet on a regular basis to monitor and undertake environmental initiatives around the school. They speak regularly at whole school assemblies, monitor and encourage their peers to bring rubbish free lunches, as well as help hand out awards to students that are demonstrating good environmental practices.

Our Sustainability Team works towards reducing our ecological footprint through establishing and maintaining sustainable practices. This year we are working on making use of our sustainability resources. We are looking forward to getting the vegetable patch back up and running, and creating a system where the produce harvested will be used within the school community.

2021 Student Leadership Celebrations – Sustainability Captains

The Sustainability Captains are involved in tasks such as:

- taking part in school audits and reporting about them at school assemblies.
- thinking of ways to improve school environmental actions.
- writing articles for the school newsletters.
- looking after our chickens
- doing gardening activities around our school grounds.
- meeting visitors who come to the school to see our Sustainability Garden

Our Sustainability Team members are passionate about improving their school environment and making it as beautiful and sustainable as possible! We look forward to involving our captains in more school initiatives this year, giving them a sense of responsibility to look after their school environment as well as their future environment. It is because of their passion that we look forward to a sustainable future at TVPS.

Badge Presentation – Monday March 15

At <u>NEXT</u> Monday's assembly – Monday March 15, we will also congratulate the following students on their commitment and service to Templestowe Valley and present them with their Sustainability Captain's badge. We know that they will wear it with pride.

2021 CLASS	CAPTAIN	CAPTAIN
Prep CP	Amelia S	Sean R
Prep EP	Milena T	Dante DL
Prep NH	Jasmine S	Tom S
1BD	Coni N	Alex B
1ES	Ariana B	Olivia B
1JM	Gabi P	Senna M
2NC	Aria W	Dempsey D
2SM	Lachie B	Tyler H
3GO	Charlotte T	Joshua K
3LR	Owen F	Kenji C
4CC	Maia F	Jimmy T
4EH	Dion M	Isabella A
4GC	Vivienne P	Giovanni B
5AH	Aidan G	Ella C
5JV	Yasmin A	
5ME	Chloe B	
6KS	Callum LG	Zoe R
6NB	Lucas H	Nicola B-T

WELL DONE CARLA P

Carla participated in the Little Athletics Eastern Metro Regionals on the weekend. She represented Doncaster Athletics Club in 4 events. The four events were shotput, long jump, 200m, and the 400m.

She came 4th in the region for shotput, 1^{st} in long jump, 2^{nd} in the 200m and 3^{rd} in 400m. She has qualified in all events for the State Championships on the 13^{th} and 14^{th} March.

Well done Carla!



YEAR 1 BUNDOORA PARK EXCURSION

On Tuesday I was so excited because I was going on my first excursion. I went on a bus to Bundoora Park with 1ES and my mum. It was so much fun. We got to see kangaroos. We all visited an olden day school. We all wrote with our right hands and Leith got slapped. Hayden got the Dunce hat!

By Zara N (student)



On the excursion everybody was excited!!! We had to bring a tiny bag. My most favourite part was seeing the kangaroos, joeys, and emus. My second favourite part was the school. My third favourite part was the house chores. It had been the best day ever!

By Ariana B (student)





ALADDIN JNR CAST ANNOUNCED!

ALADDIN	Anthony C
JASMINE	Jodi G
GENIE	William T
JAFAR	Raph DJ
SULTAN	James A
IAGO	Lucy T
ВАВКАК	James M
OMAR	Aidan G
KASSIM	Lewis R
ISAL	Jaimee S
MANAL	Teora K
RAJAH	Tugce M
RAZOUL	Cooper I
PRINCE ABDULLAH	Callum L
PRINCE ABDULLAH Attendant 1	Ameer M
PRINCE ABDULLAH Attendant 2	Hannah T
SHOP OWNER	Bastien F
APPLE VENDOR	Harley L
FORTUNE TELLER	Yara L
SPOOKY VOICE	Lucas H
CAVE OF WONDERS VOICE	Liam C







AGRABAHN'S CAST		
Massih A	Samuel H	Julian P
Yasmin A	Thomas H	Sienna PG
Krissy A	Hirad J	Georgia P
Chloe B	Lucas K	Angelique P
Willow B	Rafay K	Mike P
Nicola BT	Jana L	Ava R
Ella C	Hannah L	Ayman S
Joshua C	Aidan L	Jannah S
Zara C	Izzy M	Aisha S
Lucy C	Alex M	Max S
Liam C	Chloe M	Mitchell S
Nikki F	Arya M	Alicia W
James F	Nasia N	Keira W
Josh G	Dean P	Aliyah Y
Samuel H		

GENIE CAST		
Jeremy A	Erin C	Yara L
George A	Aliyah E	Jared M
Immy B	Jacinta F	Zoe R
Lucy B	Isabella G	Chiara S
Jana B	Zoe K	Roman T
	Angelina K	

JAFARS' GUARDS		
Amelia A	Ben G	Zara N
Lucy Booth	Alexandros K	Andy R
Nevie C	Felix K	Pippa W
	Jack M	

PARENTS & FRIENDS ASSOCIATION (P&F) NEWS

P&F Raffle ~ Term 1, 2021

The TVPS Parents and Friends Association (P&F) is once again organising an Easter Raffle to raise much needed funds for our school.

Easter

This will be drawn at the Term 1 Final Assembly on Thursday, April 1st.

In order to make it a fantastic school fundraising event, we ask <u>each</u> <u>family</u> to generously donate **one (1)** item to the raffle prizes. It can be Easter themed or an item of your choice. You may like to contribute Easter eggs, a soft bunny/toy, story book or even some kind of craft pack, or something else appropriate for a school raffle.



All items need to be <u>NEW</u> and we ask that you spend **no more** than \$5 on your purchase.

Please place all donations in the baskets/boxes outside of Mr Cretney's Office by <u>Friday, March 26th</u>. This will enable P&F to have enough time to put the hampers together.

We are also asking each family to buy or sell raffle tickets at \$2.00 a ticket, or 6 for \$10.00. Raffle tickets and information sheet will be sent home next week.

Upcoming Events ~ Term 2 and Beyond (These are only the things that we've thought of so far!!)

Term 2

- Family Movie Night Friday April 28th (Write it in your calendar today)
- Mother's Day Stall
- Tree Planting
- Parent Social Event

Term 3

- Student Disco
- Father's Day Stall
- Helping with School Production

Term 4

- Family BBQ
- Christmas Hamper

Would you like to know more about what the TVPS Parents & Friends Association does?

- Are you looking for ways that you can support your child's school?
- Are you a parent new to the TVPS community ~ someone who would like to meet and get to know other parents and families?
- Do you like to volunteer and help out, rather than wait for someone else to ask you?
- Have you got great ideas about how this group could help fundraise for TVPS and your child's benefit?

If you answered, "Yes!" to any of these questions, well you are just the sort of person that our TVPS P&F needs.

Please click on the link below to express your interest and join in the fun!

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WORKING BEE - SATURDAY MARCH 20TH BETWEEN 9:00AM AND 12:00PM

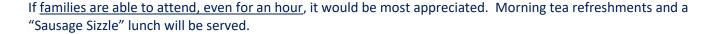
The first working bee for the year will now be held on **Saturday March 20**th commencing at 9:00am. We have a number of major projects and a wish list item! In particular, we'd really like to make our school sparkle for our "Taste of TVPS" Open Day to be held on the following Saturday.

WE ARE GOING TO NEED AS MANY HANDS AS WE CAN GET PLEASE!

Our major projects are:

- Sustainability garden clearing, tidying, weeding, etc.
- Junior sand pit restocking with sand
- Chipping and mulching tree debris
- Pruning of bushes and trees

And the list goes on . . .



If you are able to attend; adults and children, please click on the link below to register. This will help with our sign in and catering processes.

https://forms.gle/PE2dAvLuehVL5u5U6

Your help and efforts will be very much appreciated.

Sponsorship – Open Days and/or TVPS Production of Aladdin Jnr

- Do you own your own business? Would you like to sponsor an event?
- Do you work for someone who might be interested in sponsoring one or both of the events above?
- Do you know of an organisation who has sponsored other schools' events? Would you be able to broach sponsorship of us with them?

We would love to talk to any organisation or business about sponsorship and what they might gain from being associated with Templestowe Valley PS.

Please email me – Alison Rees on <u>Alison.Rees@education.vic.gov.au</u> to open the conversation.





On Friday the 19th of March, it will be Harmony Day and this year we have combined Harmony Day with Bullying No Way Day.

We would encourage you to wear a splash of **Orange** and bring a gold coin donation.

The money we raise is going towards our World Vision Sponsor student Lo Van Son.

Any photos from the day can be uploaded to the following

Dropbox: https://www.dropbox.com/request/BwAO71YKFK1FfYrPlzRM

We will be taking part in activities in our classes or year levels to celebrate Harmony Day and learn more about bullying.



STUDENTS OF THE WEEK ~ WEEK 5 and WEEK 6

ОСР	Angus F	Wonderful participation during WebEx
0EP	Dante	Making smart choices and excellent participation in the classroom
ONH	Kingsley Y	Enthusiastic participation during WebEx
1BD	Lachlan M	Creative and imaginary letter writing
1BD	Axel W	A detailed recount about the Year 1 excursion
1JM	Sienna M	Improved concentration
1JM	Sebastian S	Excellent show and tell of his Dice Game
1ES	Ariana B	Excellent letter writing
1ES	Ruby F	Excellent participation at Bundoora Park
2NC	Astrid	Great predicting strategies in the book 'Squeak Street'
2SM	Evan B	Great piece of writing on Beetles
3LR	Eva K	Conscientious student during Home Learning
3LR	James B	Being an outstanding iPad Monitor
3GO	Elizabeth A	Trying her best at all tasks
3GO	Mason M	Being an enthusiastic class member
4CC	Will K	Outstanding on seesaw over 3 day 'Circuit Breaker'
4EH	Olivia B	Producing beautiful neat handwriting
5JV	Jana	Always producing work of a high standard
5ME	Mackenzie C	Super effort in her math learning tasks
5AH	Lucy T	Outstanding effort with all work tasks
6NB	Angelina K	Excellent learning habits during Remote Learning
6KS	Tom A	Incredible helpful last Friday in handing out devices.

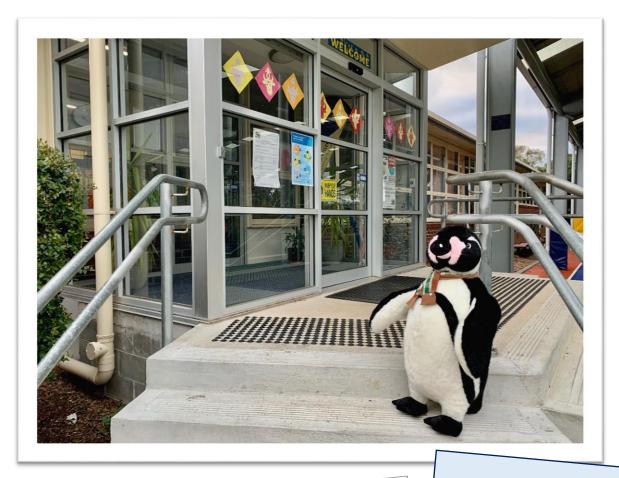
STUDENT ACCIDENT INSURANCE COVER

Parents and guardians are reminded that the Department of Education and Training and Templestowe Valley Primary School <u>do not provide accident insurance or ambulance cover</u> for students. Parents and guardians of students who do not have student accident insurance and/or ambulance cover are responsible for paying the cost of medical treatment for injured students, including the cost of ambulance attendance, transport and any other related medical costs.



Student accident insurance and ambulance cover policies are available from some commercial insurers and can be obtained by parents and guardians for individual students. For further information please check with your personal insurance company.

Private property brought to school by students, staff or visitors is not insured and the Department does not accept any responsibility for any loss or damage. This can include mobile phones, electronic devices, calculators, toys, sporting equipment and cars parked on school premises.





Who is Waddles?

Here's a mystery waiting to be solved ...

You might also like to answer the question, Where's Waddles?

Ordering Now Open!



Templestowe Valley PS Photo Day Tuesday 16th March 2021

Ordering can be made through
your Compass Portal,
via your email link
Alternatively log into your
Compass Portal and follow the link
under the 'Community' Section

Class Group Style



Place your order soon to ensure our best pricing!

Family/Sibling Photographs

Available for students with siblings at school

Family photo orders must be purchased by 11.59pm the day Before Photo Day.



If you require assistance please contact us; admin.nem@msp.com.au

Working with Children Checks

As part of the Templestowe Valley PS commitment to child safety, at their June 3, 2019 meeting, the TVPS School Council endorsed the <u>Child Safety Policy</u> which included the recommendation that all volunteers and visitors to TVPS be required to hold a current WWCC.



So, from the start of Term 3, 2019, <u>ALL</u> volunteers, contractors, visitors, etc. coming into TVPS during school hours, or helping/supervising with out-of-school hours events, such as the Disco, etc. will be required to hold a current <u>Working with Children Check</u> (WWCC).

This will include adults who are attending school to help in the classroom, at the canteen, during an excursion or in-school event, swimming or sport event, etc. — any event that might require them to be in contact with children or working within an area where children might be frequenting without supervision, e.g. the canteen/OSHC rooms.

The requirement does <u>not</u> apply to:

- parents/carers or their delegates involved in the pick-up or drop-off of students at school.
- adults who are registered teachers, police officers or part of an allied service. (Not required to hold a WWCC in addition to the associated Police Check if part of their professional registration.)

Obtaining a WWCC

- No cost when applied for in a volunteer capacity
- Online applications can be made at: https://www.workingwithchildren.vic.gov.au/individuals/applicants/how-to-apply
- Please nominate Templestowe Valley PS as the place where the volunteer work will occur and we
 will be sent through an official copy of your card.

TVPS WWCC Register

- A register of volunteers with a current WWCC will be maintained at TVPS
- Current WWCC registration please check at the TVPS Office to see if a copy is on file and you are on the register
- New applicants:
 - If volunteers nominate TVPS on their application form, TVPS will automatically receive a copy of their WWCC card when issued
 - If not, then volunteers are asked to take their valid WWCC card to the school Office where a copy will be made and included in the register

Questions:

- Answers to General and FAQ can be found at https://www.workingwithchildren.vic.gov.au/
- Relating specifically to Templestowe Valley PS, please contact the school Office: either by phone on #8850 5777 or email: templestowe.valley.ps@edumail.vic.gov.au



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NetSetGO NETBALL PROGRAM

learn new skills, make new friends, keep fit & become involved

East Doncaster Netball Club runs NetSetGO which is 10 week training program for children aged between 5 to 11 years of age.



WHEN: Autumn Season NetSetGO will commence Friday 12th March until Friday 4th June 2021

TIME: 4:30pm - 5:30pm

WHERE: Manningham Templestowe Leisure Centre, Outdoor Netball Courts (Cnr Foote Street & Anderson Street, Templestowe, VIC, 3106)

For more information please visit our website http://eastdoncasternc.com.au/