Templestowe Valley Primary School

Valley Views

FROM THE PRINCIPAL'S DESK – ALISON REES

Welcome

Welcome to the 2022 school year – especially to our new Prep students and their family, as well as to all new students and staff. The year has been very much a start of mixed emotions for our community. We have the excitement that comes with the beginning of any new school year – meeting new teachers, seeing old friends and anticipating new learning and special events.

We have had a tremendous start to the year and the children have settled into their new classes extremely well. The Preps and their beaming smiles are lighting up the school, (as are the twinkle lights hanging in their passageway!). They had their first "Big Friend, Little Friend" session today, and I don't know who was more excited – the Preps or their Yr 6 big buddy. At the beginning of this week, staff members were involved in the start of the year professional learning program and embraced this with enthusiasm. It was wonderful to work alongside one another and set the direction for 2022. I would also like to acknowledge and thank the staff for the days they spent at school preparing for the new school year.

In thinking on what will be our key foci for this year, it can be summed up in the following diagram. We want everyone in our community – staff, parents, carers, and particularly our students – to have an opportunity to SHINE this year.



Our Vision:

Templestowe Valley Primary School strives to provide an innovative and engaging learning experience, which promotes individual excellence and develops social responsibility. We aim to instil a lifelong love of learning through meaningful and challenging activities, within a safe and caring environment. TVPS endeavours to deliver best practice teaching methods, empowering student learning through programs that encourage our students to become self-motivated, successful and active global citizens.



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Calendar

FEBRUARY			
Mon 7 th	TVPS Swim Trial (Yr3-Yr6)		
Wed 9th	No School for Preps		
Week 4 Mon 14 th	Meet & Greet Convers'n – held over week		
Mon 14 th	School Council Meet		
Wed 16 th	No School for Preps		
Thur 17 th	District Swim (Yr 3-Yr 6)		
Thur 17 th	SC Elections - Open		
Sat 19 th	Working Bee		
Mon 21	Division Swim (Yr 3-Yr 6)		
Wed 23 rd	No School for Preps		
Thu 24 th	SC Elections - Close		
Mon 28 th	Preps – 1 st full week of school Student Leadership Conf.		

2022 Term Dates

28 January to 8 April 2022 26 April to 24 June 2022 11 July to 16 September 2022 3 October to 20 December 2022

FROM THE PRINCIPAL'S DESK – ALISON REES cont.

Our Values:

Templestowe Valley's philosophy reflects the values of **Honesty, Acceptance, Responsibility and Respect**. Our shared values and common language set out expectations for all stakeholders in our school community.

Our school Motto is: Aim High.

As many of you know, when reflecting on the education that we provide at Templestowe Valley, I find inspiration from many sources. I found this beautiful quote in my readings and thought that it fit beautifully with what we aspire to do at TVPS.

Speak to your children as if they are the wisest, kindest, most beautiful and magical humans on earth, for what they believe is what they will become.

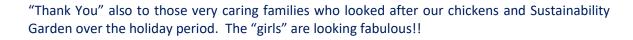
- Brooke Hampton

START OF THE YEAR DATES FOR THE DIARY:

- Week beginning Monday February 14
 - Meet & Greet Conversations (Bookings through Compass)
- Saturday February 19th & March 19th
 - Working Bees 9:00am 12:00pm
 - o ALL welcome parents & children (Sausage sizzle for workers at 12:00pm)
- Friday March 11th
 - PUPIL FREE DAYS Curriculum Days for teachers
 - No students at school
- Tuesday March 15th School Photo Day
- Saturday March 26th
 - A Taste of TVPS Open Morning 9:00am 12:00pm
 - School tours, open classrooms, Book Fair, Sausage Sizzle, Cake Stall & lots more
 - ALL welcome parents & children

Thank You

A very big THANK YOU is extended to the families who did voluntary grounds patrol over the holidays. I know of a number of families who cleaned up rubbish for us – particularly in the undercover area that is used by quite a keen basketballers. Thanks also to those who let us know about the broken window.



Lastly, a special "THANK YOU" to the Fraser Family. During last year's lockdown they offered to maintain our Sustainability Garden. They diligently weeded, planted, grew, cleaned and kept that garden thriving, (as well as checking on our chooks!) We cannot thank them enough for their efforts and enthusiasm.



Introducing our 2022 Teaching Teams & Locations

Welcome

We have a number of new staff members starting at Templestowe Valley Primary School this year, and two returning teachers. These staff members bring with them a wealth and range of experiences. I would like to acknowledge and welcome these new staff members to, or back to, Templestowe Valley for 2022:

Welcome to TVPS:

- Kate Rowe (Teacher 6AH)
- Jessica Tsolakis (ESO 1BD)
- Dima Syle (ESO 1NB & 2NC)

Welcome **back** to TVPS:

• Rebecca Fowler (4CF)

- Andrew Venables (Teacher 6AV)
- Steffany Mazloum (Teacher Visual Arts
- Gabby Haralambopoulos (ESO 0KS)
- Karen Gill (ESO 1NH)
- Jessica Smith (ESO 1BD)
- Haley Wilson (ESO 2GC)

Full page diagrams of the 2022 school map and table showing the classes, rooms and staff are on Page 4 and towards the back of this newsletter.

Congratulations

We had some wonderful news over the holidays to celebrate with you.

- Ms Sharon Cheung our Mandarin teacher was married. We wish her and her new husband all the very best for their life ahead.
- One of our staff members became engaged! I'll leave it to you and your children to discover who is beaming and has a sparkling new ring!

Farewells

Schools are places of constant change, and unfortunately, at the start and end of every year we have to say goodbye to some much-loved staff members. I know that you will join me in sending all of the following people your love and best wishes for their new adventures.

• *Marcus Embury* – has taken up a teaching role back at his old school. We thank him for the 12 months that he supported students at TVPS.

The following three (3) people have been long serving Education Support Officers (ESO) at TVPS. They have supported countless children, and their families, across their many years of service, and we sincerely thank each and every one of them for their commitment, passion for education and love of TVPS children. They will be sadly missed.

- **Tonia D'Amore** has resigned from the DET. Tonia is looking forward to time with her family and exploring new options for herself. We wish Tonia all the best for her new journey and challenges.
- **Bev Martin** has retired from the DET. Bev has made the move to Queensland and is very much looking forward to enjoying the weather and everything that that state offers. Apart from being jealous of Bev for living in the Sunshine State, I know that you will wish her and her family well for their new adventures.
- *Mary Roussidis* has also retired from the DET. Mary is looking forward to supporting her own children and being a grandmother. Her days are going to be filled with laughter and smiles, and we wish her joy.

On Leave

We will be seeing these people again!! Both are on Long Service Leave for Term 1 and we hope that they are loving every minute of it!

- Rob Cretney
- Anita Allen

2022 TVPS STAFFING STRUCTURE

Yr	Class 1 - PLC Leader	Class 2	Class 3
Prep	OKS Teacher: <i>Kim SHANNON</i> ESO: <i>Gabby HARALAMBOPOULOS</i> (M-F)	0EP Teacher: <i>Emma PETTOLINO</i>	
Yr 1	1NB Teacher: <i>Nicole BISAS</i> ESO: <i>Dima SYLE (M, T, Th, F)</i>	1BD Teacher: <i>Carly BERTELLI</i> (<i>Odd – M, T, W</i>) Teacher: <i>Alicia DREW</i> (<i>Even - W, Th, F</i>) ESO: <i>Jessica TSOLAKIS</i> (T, W) ESO: <i>Jessica SMITH</i> (Th)	1NH Teacher: <i>Nicole HUDSON</i> ESO: <i>Karen GILL (M, T, W)</i> ESO: <i>Kathy ANDRIOPOULOS (Th, F)</i>
Yr 2	2NC Teacher: <i>Maria NIKOLAKAKIS</i> (M, T, W, Th) Teacher: <i>Sam COULSON</i> (F) ESO: <i>Dima SYLE</i> (W) ESO: <i>Sharon GIOVANNINI</i> (Th)	2СР Teacher: <i>Caroline POLLARD</i> ESO: <i>Jacqui ST CLAIR (м, т, w)</i>	2GC Teacher: <i>Sonia GOUGH (M, W, Th, F)</i> Teacher: <i>Sam COULSON (T)</i>
Yr 3	3LR Teacher: <i>Linda ROSSI</i>	3GO Teacher: <i>Penny O'DONNELL</i> (Odd – <i>M</i> , <i>T</i> , <i>W</i>) Teacher: <i>Melissa GIROLAMI</i> (Even - <i>W</i> , <i>Th</i> , <i>F</i>)	
Yr 4	4CF Teacher: <i>Carly CLARK</i> (M, T, W) Teacher: <i>Rebecca FOWLER</i> (Th, F) ESO: <i>Sharon GIOVANNINI (M, W, F)</i>	4SM Teacher: <i>Sherie MATRAKIS</i>	
Yr 5	5ES Teacher: <i>Emilia SELWYN</i> ESO: <i>Vesna BASIC (Μ, τ, w)</i>	5JV Teacher: Jenny VASILIADIS	5JM Teacher: Julie MCLEAN
Yr 6	6AH Teacher: Anne HILLMAN Teacher: Kate Rowe (T1) ESO: Anna LAURIA (M, T, Th, F)	6AV Teacher: <i>Andrew VENABLES</i>	6EH Teacher: <i>Lizzie HENDERSON</i> ESO: <i>Cathy STEFANIDIS (T, W, F - TBC)</i>

NB. ESO = Education Support Officer – someone who works within the class with an individual or group of students in collaboration with the class teacher

Specialist Programs

Lang – N	1andarin -	Performing Arts	Physical Education	Visual Arts	Learning Support
Sharon	Cheung	Lauren McCormack	Chris Eagleton	Jenni Bevacqua	Priscilla Campbell
(7	— F)			(T, W)	(W, Th, F)
				Stef Mazloum	Cathy Stefanidis
				(M, Th)	(T, W, Th, F)

Administration

Office Audrey Lynikas Marg Carolan	Finance Marika Smith (W, Th, F) Audrey Lynikas	First Aid Sam Smith	Canteen Andrea Duske (M, T, W) Adele Gribben (W, Th, F)	OSHC Andrea Duske Wendy Lincoln	Uniform Shop Sam Smith	Grounds & Maintenance Jordan Barker
Sam Smith	Lymkas					

Templestowe Valley PS – CONNECT – ENGAGE - CHALLENGE

As the old African proverb says, "It takes a village to raise a child." One could imagine then that it would take a community to raise a school. If there was ever any doubt about the importance of community, that changed with the spread of the new coronavirus across our world. Suddenly, the communities of people we are a part of became a lifeline — a way to stay informed, get help, and help others.

The start of 2022 is a great opportunity for us at TVPS to reconnect and celebrate surviving last year, as well as sharing ideas and making plans and working together to make our school even better.

There are lots of good reasons and benefits from being involved in your child's school.



- Getting involved is a great way to show your child/children that you take an interest in their education. It also sends a positive message that you consider school a worthwhile cause.
- Many schools now have to raise their own funds for activities and supplies that once were considered basic necessities. Parent volunteers are essential to organising and helping out at these fundraising events and at other school activities.
- Parent volunteers offer a huge resource and support base for the school community. They also show their kids the importance of participating in the larger community.
- Working with teachers, leaders, and other parents will help you understand your child's daily activities. You'll also tap into trends and fads of school life that can help you communicate with your kids as they grow and change — all without intruding on their privacy or personal space.

Even if you haven't been involved in the past, it's never too late to start. In fact, now more than ever, it's important to get involved before your child/children reaches secondary school.

"So how do I do this?" I hear you ask.

Over the next couple of weeks, there will be opportunities to join in activities at school; to meet your child's teacher, to meet other families and to help to make our school environment something special. Three of these events are outlined below. They are:

- "Meet & Greet" Parent & Teacher Conversations Week beginning Monday February 14
- Working Bee Saturday February 19
- Open Day Event Saturday March 26

We will be calling for volunteers to:

- Help in the canteen
- Be a part of fundraising activities and community events, e.g. the Sausage Sizzle and Open Day
- Help with the reading program in the junior years
- Join our TVPS Parents and Friends Association
- Stand for School Council
- Help with building/construction to enhance the school, e.g. building outdoor seating for creating additional learning areas, painting the Block A breezeway, etc.
- ... and the list goes on.

•At the end of the day, the most overwhelming key to a child's success is the positive involvement of parents. **99** - Jane D. Hull

"Meet & Greet" Parent & Teacher Conversation

Week beginning Monday February 14

At the beginning of each school year it is important that our staff and parents develop a trusting and supportive relationship where open communication and dialogue is fostered. In order to best support your child this year, it is really helpful for our teachers to understand how you see your child at home and school. With this in mind, the first of our Parent Partnership activities is happening across the week beginning <u>Monday February 14</u>.

Parents of students in Prep – Year 6 are given the opportunity to arrange a "Meet & Greet"; a time for parents and their child's new teacher to meet and discuss their child's strengths and areas of growth for the year. These meetings are designed for the *parents to tell the teacher* about their child in order to best support him/her with his/her learning in 2022. It is a chance for both parents and teachers to "put a face to a name" and begin to form a strong relationship to benefit the child.

As part of this, all parents are asked to complete a questionnaire for their child's 2022 teacher that involves making brief notes about your child's social and academic development, interests, attitudes, strengths and special needs. These questionnaires look a little different across the school, but we do ask ALL parents to complete the survey regardless of whether they book a meeting with the teacher.

At this first meeting, our teachers want information from you, and, as it's early into the new year, they won't have developed a clear picture of the specific learning needs of your child. Whilst this year's class teacher has read your child's previous reports and engaged in conversation with last year's teacher, for the most part they won't be discussing specific learning outcomes or goals. It is about YOU sharing and discussing information with your child's teacher/s.

With the current COVID-19 situation in our city, and being mindful of individual teacher and family concerns and situations, we are trying to arrange these conversations in a manner that caters for all. Teachers will be offering the conversations in one of three (3) modes:

- All conversations to be held face-to-face on-site at TVPS (in your child's classroom)
- All conversations to be held via WebEx
- A combination of face-to-face & WebEx meetings depending on the needs of the families

Please see the table below to determine the mode and the major date/days of your child/ren's "Meet and Greet" Conversations. (Some teachers are offering before and after school times on alternate days to the ones listed below. These can be seen when booking on Compass.) More information will be sent out on Monday Feb 14.

Class	Teacher/s	Mode	Days
OKS	Kim Shannon	In person - face-to-face on-site	Tuesday & Wednesday February 15/16
0EP	Emma Pettolino	In person - face-to-face on-site	Tuesday & Wednesday February 15/16
1BD	Carly Bertelli & Alicia Drew In person - face-to-face on-site Tuesday & Wednesday Febru		Tuesday & Wednesday February 15/16
1NH	Nicole Hudson	In person - face-to-face on-site	Monday & Tuesday February 14/15
1NB	Nicole Bisas	Combination of on-site and WebEx	Monday, Tuesday & Wednesday February 14/15/16
2CP	Caroline Pollard	All interviews via WebEx	Monday & Tuesday February 14/15
2GC	Sonia Gough & Samantha Coulson	All interviews via WebEx	Monday & Tuesday February 14/15

2NC	Maria Nikolakakis & Samantha Coulson	All interviews via WebEx Monday & Tuesday February 14/	
3LR	Linda Rossi	All interviews via WebEx	Monday & Wednesday February 14/16
3GO	Penny O'Donnell & Melissa Girolami	All interviews via WebEx	Tuesday & Wednesday February 15/16
4CF	Carly Clark & Rebecca Fowler	All interviews via WebEx	Monday & Thursday February 14/17
4SM	Sherie Matrakis	erie Matrakis All interviews via WebEx Monday & Tuesday February 14	
5ES	Emilia Selwyn	Combination of on-site and WebEx	Monday, Tuesday & Wednesday February 14/15/16
5JM	Julie McLean	Combination of on-site and WebEx	Monday & Tuesday February 14/15
5JV	Jenny Vasiliadis	Combination of on-site and WebEx	Tuesday & Wednesday February 15/16
6AH	Anne Hillman & Kate Rowe	Combination of on-site and WebEx	Tuesday & Wednesday February 15/16
6EH	Lizzie Henderson	Combination of on-site and WebEx	Tuesday & Wednesday February 15/16
6AV	Andrew Venables	ТВС	Tuesday & Wednesday February 15/16

Important safety requirements for 'Meet & Greet' Conversations:

- Up to two (2) parents/guardians can attend the "Meet & Greet"
- Separated families can still book individual times.
- Everyone involved teachers & parents/guardians will be required to wear a face mask for the duration of the meeting (unless a medical exemption applies)
- Parents/Guardians MUST be double vaccinated and sign in using the Service Vic QR Code, available on building doors and in the classroom. Proof of vaccination, or exemption, needed
- Students are not required at this "Meet & Greet".
- Parents/Guardians are asked to NOT arrive or enter buildings early, and must immediately exit the building upon interview completion.
- Bookings close @ 6:00pm Sunday February 13th. After that time bookings will only be able to be made with the individual teacher.

BOOKINGS OPEN ON COMPASS ON MONDAY FEBRUARY 7 – 4:00PM

From Monday February 7 at 4:00pm, parents will be able to book their "Meet & Greet" 10-minute session with their child's classroom teacher/s on the Compass system. If you have any difficulties in booking meetings, please don't hesitate to contact our school Office after that time.

COVID-19 Protocols – Entry & Exit Process continued

For Prep Students

For Term 1 only, Prep parents will be able to walk their child to and from their drop-off and pick-up point on the Basketball Court.

Last year our students and families proved that they were very comfortable with these arrangements. The teachers were also incredibly impressed by the growth in independence and resilience that was shown by our students using this system.

I hope that you can understand why we need to continue with these restrictions and support us with our processes.

Working Bee - Saturday February 19th between 9:00am and 12:00pm

The first working bee for the year will be held on **Saturday February 19**th commencing at 9:00am. We have a number of major projects and a wish list item!

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

Our major projects are:

- Asian Garden clearing, tidying, weeding, etc.
- General pruning, weeding & tidy up
- Junior sand pit restocking with sand
- Painting the breezeway in Building A (whitewash)
- Creating outdoor seating from pallets

And the list goes on . . .



If <u>families are able to attend</u>, even for an hour, it would be most appreciated. Morning tea refreshments and a "Sausage Sizzle" lunch will be served.

2022 School Council

WE NEED SOME NEW SCHOOL COUNCIL MEMBERS – PARENT REPRESENTATIVES

During Term 1 of each year, elections are held to replace retiring members of School Council. Over the next week I will be in contact with all 2021 School Council members asking if they are continuing in the role or nominating for reelection. Once I have that information and know how many positions are vacant, I will call for nominations and we will commence the election process.

We do need to have a School Council meeting in February. This is comprised of the "old" 2021 members. The dates for the election process, have also been included.

Updated School Council Meeting Schedule

Term 1, 2022

Date	Time	Event	
Monday February 14	7:00pm	School Council Meeting – 2021 members	
Thursday February 17	9:00am	2022 School Council Elections – Official call for nominations opens	
Friday February 25	4:00pm	2022 School Council Elections – Nominations close	
Thursday March 4 ***	4:00pm	2022 School Council Elections – Ballot papers distributed	
Thursday March 10 **	4:00pm	2022 School Council Elections – Ballot closed	
Tuesday March 15 ***	4:00pm	School Council Elections – Results announced. (Candidates contacted in previous week once counting of ballots is finished & checked.)	
Monday March 28	7:00pm	 First meeting of new School Council Election of 2022 Office Bearers 2022 March Meeting 	

*** Only if needed

2022 School Fees – Thank You

A note of thanks is extended to all parents for the prompt payment of the school fees for 2022. It is gratifying to be able to pay our suppliers straight away for the books and stationery that we have ordered for the students.

The <u>Voluntary Contributions</u> that have been paid also provide TVPS with funds to be able to purchase additional resources for the teaching & learning in the classrooms. These contributions are very much appreciated and enable us to continue to develop wonderful learning programs and facilities for the children in our care.

- The <u>Grounds Maintenance</u> contribution assists with purchasing sand [sand pit], under-surface for playgrounds, shade sails, painting, carpeting and many other school improvements.
- The *First Aid* contribution helps us to pay for a dedicated, trained First Aid Officer.
- The <u>Library</u> contribution enables us to keep our libraries stocked with fabulous texts to engage and excite our children.

School Crossings

Murphy's Law - It will always rain at drop off and pick-up times on school days!

For the safety of our students:

- Only cross at our School Crossings.
- Respect the two (2) minute "Kiss and Go" Zones
- No **Parking** in the Staff Carparks Birchwood or Cavendish between 8:30am and 4:00pm.

Over the last week, our Gate Supervisors have unfortunately witnessed many incidents of students, and parents, not crossing at the supervised "flag" zone; all in an attempt to save time. Please set the example to our students by safely using our crossings.

The 2min 'Kiss and Go' zone on Cavendish is becoming a safety issue, with parents 'parking for extended periods. Please respect the signs and use only as a drop-off and pick-up zone.

No 3-point turns in Cavendish, as this not only blocks traffic and flow, but the visibility of our students accessing cars.

COMPASS - School Management System

Templestowe Valley uses the **Compass** school management system. As in previous years, we will be sending ALL important messages through the Compass system and once again student/parent/teacher meetings will be booked through this system. All financial invoices and payments will be distributed through this system as well.

It is CRITICAL that **the family username and password are stored in a secure place** and this is the responsibility of the family. **If you lose it and need to reset your password, please contact the school office.** If you have difficulty with this process, please don't hesitate to contact the Office for assistance.

A reminder: Please inform the School Office staff if there are any changes with your residential address and contact and child's medical (Asthma/Anaphylaxis) details. It is critical that the School Office has accurate and up to date information.

This is a Department of Education and Training requirement.

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.

Being SunSmart at TVPS

This week's varying weather conditions has provided us with a timely reminder as to why we need to constantly focus on being SunSmart both at home and at school. Please discuss and revisit this important issue with your family.

Excessive exposure to the sun's ultraviolet (UV) radiation can cause health problems including sunburn, damage to skin and eyes, and an increased risk of skin cancer. UV radiation:

- cannot be seen or felt
- can be reflected off surfaces such as buildings, asphalt, concrete, water, sand and snow
- can pass through light clouds
- varies in intensity across the year (highest in Victoria from mid-August end of April)
- peaks during school hours

Sun safety is a shared responsibility and staff, parents and students are encouraged to implement a combination of sun protection measures whenever UV levels reach 3 and above (typically from mid-August to the end of April in Victoria).

At Templestowe Valley PS:

- SunSmart behaviours are regularly reinforced in a positive way. This is achieved through student and teacher directed activities and the school newsletter.
- Children are required to wear the TVPS broad-brimmed or legionnaire sun protective hats when outside in Terms 1 and 4.
- Staff and parents are encouraged to act as role models by practising SunSmart behaviours.
- In Terms 1 and 4, children without an approved TVPS hat are required to play in a nominated covered area.
- Children are encouraged to apply their own sunscreen (SPF 30+) before arriving at school.
- Personal sunscreen kept by students is not to be shared with other students.
- Staff encourage children to play in shady areas whilst in the playground.
- Staff incorporate programs on skin cancer prevention into the Health component of the curriculum at all year levels.
- Curriculum materials relevant to SunSmart behaviours is used and reviewed regularly at all levels
- The TVPS Buildings and Grounds Sub-Committee strives to develop the number of shaded areas in the school grounds, as well as to make recommendations for additional sun-shelter in the playground.

We are SunSmart - a note for families





Too much UV can cause sunburn, skin and eye damage and skin cancer.

Overexposure to UV during childhood and adolescence is a major factor for future skin cancer risk.

You can't see or feel the sun's UV so don't be fooled. Whatever the weather, if the UV levels are three or more, it's important to *Slip*, *Slop*, *Slap*, *Seek* and *Slide*!

Our service aims to protect children and staff from too much UV to help minimise future skin cancer risk. We are a registered member of the Cancer Council Victoria's SunSmart Program. Please help support our SunSmart membership by ensuring your child follows the SunSmart measures encouraged by educators.

During the daily local sun protection times (issued whenever UV levels are three and above), use these 5 SunSmart steps – even if it's cool and cloudy.

- Slip on a shirt dress your child in clothing that covers as much skin as possible (e.g. elbow length tops with a higher neckline or collar and longer style shorts or skirts). Densely woven fabrics are best.
- Slop on SPF 30 (or higher) broad-spectrum, water-resistant sunscreen – apply a generous amount of sunscreen at the start of the day and provide permission for sunscreen to be reapplied to your child before they go outdoors. This should be applied every two hours. From 3 years of age, please help your child apply their own sunscreen so they can start to learn independent skills.
- Slap on a hat one that protects the face, neck and ears such as a broad brimmed, legionnaire or bucket style hat. Peak caps do not offer enough protection and are not recommended by SunSmart. Please help your child remember to bring and wear their approved sun hat.

- Seek shade choose shady spots for play whenever possible.
- Slide on some sunglasses if practical and approved by the service. Make sure they are labelled AS 1067 and cover as much of the eye area as possible.



Sun protection times

Don't just wait for hot and sunny days to use sun protection. Check the sun protection times each day so your family can be protected when they need to be.

Daily local sun protection times and weather details are available on the free SunSmart app or widget, in the weather section of the newspaper and on the SunSmart website at <u>sunsmart.com.au</u>. Sun protection times can also be found at <u>the Bureau of Meteorology</u> website and live UV levels are available from ARPANSA.



Further information contact SunSmart P: 03 9514 6419 E: sunsmart@cancervic.org.au

W: sunsmart.com.au



sunsmart.com.au

Source: <u>https://www.sunsmart.com.au/downloads/communities/early-childhood-primary-school/resources/family-notice-we-are-sunsmart-early-childhood.pdf</u>



Templestowe Valley Primary School ~ 4985 CHILD SAFETY COMMITMENT

RATIONALE OF THE TVPS COMMITMENT TO CHILD SAFETY

Standard 2: A statement of commitment to child safety

Templestowe Valley Primary School is **committed to child safety** and to the responsibility to keep children safe from harm. The school is committed to creating and maintaining a safe, supportive and enriching learning environment that promotes inclusion and empowers students. All actions and decisions are guided by the school values of *Honesty, Acceptance, Respect and Responsibility*.

The school has a **zero tolerance of child abuse**, and all allegations and safety concerns will be treated seriously and consistently in line with the school's robust policies and procedures*. The school conducts annual training of staff – including the <u>DET Mandatory Reporting module</u> – to meet its legal and moral obligation to protect all children from harm.

The school is steadfast in supporting and respecting all children in its community, inclusive of gender diversity, those with a disability, those from diverse cultural and linguistic backgrounds (including Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander).

The Assistant Principal – Mr Rob Cretney – is the appointed TVPS Child Safe Officer. (Anne Hillman – Term 1, 2022)

SUPPORTING POLICIES & DOCUMENTATION

- <u>TVPS Child Protection Reporting Policy</u>
- <u>Step-by-step Guide to Making a Report to Child Protection (DHHS) or Child First</u>

Annual Privacy Reminder For 2022

Our school collects, uses, discloses and stores student and parent personal information for standard school functions or where permitted by law, as stated in the DET <u>Schools' Privacy Policy</u> found at <u>https://www.education.vic.gov.au/Pages/schoolsprivacypolicy.aspx</u>

Please take time to remind yourself of our school's collection notice, found on our website [INSERT LINK to your school's collection notice]. For more information about privacy, refer to: <u>Schools' Privacy Policy — information for parents</u> found at <u>https://www.education.vic.gov.au/Pages/Schools-Privacy-Policy-information-for-parents.aspx</u>

This information is also available in ten community languages:

- * Amharic
- * Gujarati
 - * Mandarin
 - * Somali
- * Sudanese * Turkish

* Urdu

* Vietnamese.

- * Arabic
- * Dari



Templestowe Valley Primary School ~ 4985 DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION & TRAINING (DET) PRIVACY INFORMATION FOR PARENTS, GUARDIANS AND CARERS

During the ordinary course of your child's attendance at Templestowe Valley Primary School, school staff will collect your child's personal and health information when necessary to educate your child, or to support your child's social and emotional wellbeing or health in the school context. Such information will also be collected when required to fulfil a legal obligation, including duty of care, anti-discrimination law and occupational health and safety law. If that information is not collected, the school may be unable to provide optimal education or support to your child or fulfil those legal obligations.

For example, health information may be collected through the school nurse, primary welfare officer or wellbeing staff member. If your child is referred to a specific health service at school, such as a Student Support Services officer, the required consent will be obtained. Our school also collects information provided by parents, guardians and carers through the School Entrance Health Questionnaire (SEHQ) and the Early Childhood Intervention Service (ECIS) Transition Form.

At Templestowe Valley PS, we use online tools, such as apps and other software, to effectively collect and manage information about your child for teaching and learning purposes, parent communication and engagement; student administration; and school management purposes. When our school uses these online tools, we take steps to ensure that your child's information is secure. If you have any concerns about the use of these online tools, please contact us.

School staff will only share your child's personal or health information with other staff who need to know to enable the school to educate or support your child or fulfil a legal obligation.

When our students transfer to another Victorian government school, personal and health information about that student will be transferred to that next school. Transferring this information is in the best interests of our students and assists that next school to provide optimal education and support to students.

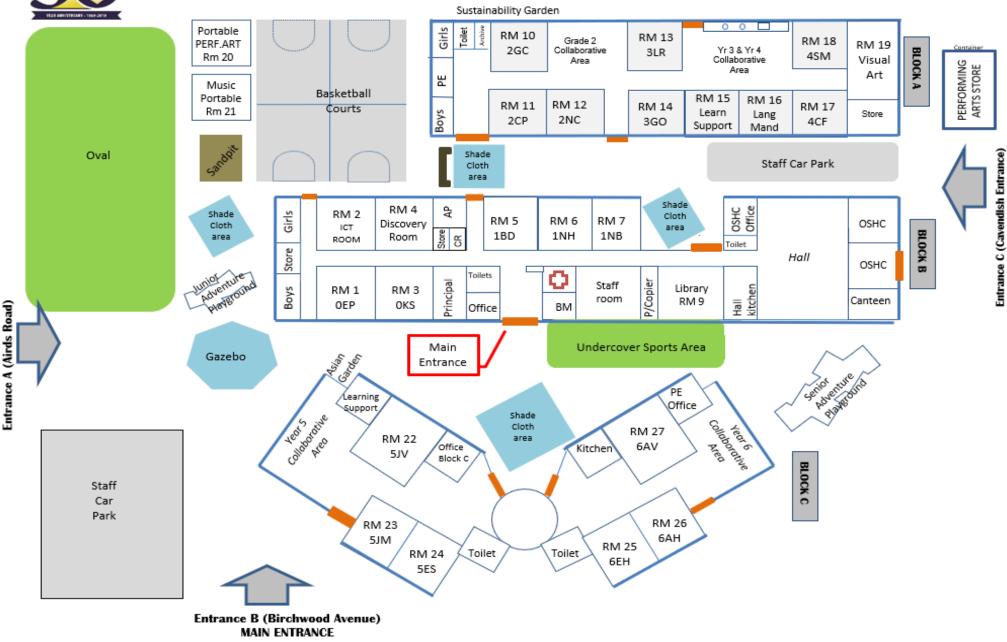
In some limited circumstances, information may be disclosed outside of the school (and outside of the Department of Education and Training). The school will seek your consent for such disclosures unless the disclosure is allowed or mandated by law.

Templestowe Valley PS values the privacy of every person. When collecting and managing personal and health information, all school staff must comply with Victorian privacy law. For more information about privacy including about how to access personal and health information held by the school about you or your child, see our school's privacy policy: <u>https://www.education.vic.gov.au/Pages/schoolsprivacypolicy.aspx</u>.

Throughout this notice, 'staff' includes principals, teachers, Student Support Service officers, youth workers, social workers, nurses and any other allied health practitioners and all other staff at our school. This includes employees, agents and service providers (contractors) of the Department, whether paid or unpaid.



2022 TEMPLESTOWE VALLEY PS - CLASS MAP



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Australian Girls Choir Open Day Look no further than the Australian Girls Choir (AGC) because we encourage, challenge and inspire girls as they learn to sing, dance and



School aged girls are invited to come along to our Open Day on Saturday February 19 or 26 to try our fun and inclusive classes and learn more about being part of the AGC!

Please visit our website to register to attend our free Open Day: https://ausgirlschoir.com.au/febopenday/





Learn music

here at school

Come and join in the fun of learning to play keyboard, piano, guitar, ukulele, violin or drums, here at Templestowe Valley Primary School.

Creative Music for Schools conducts a music program here at school each week.

Small group classes or one-to-one lessons of up to 30 minutes give children an excellent grounding in music where they will learn to read music and play their chosen instrument.

Enrolments are now being accepted for limited places in term 1, 2022.

Interested parents should call Swee during office hours on 9818 2333 or email swee@creativemusic.com.au

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