

Valley Views

FROM THE ACTING PRINCIPAL'S DESK – DAVID JENES

School Council President – Eva Wong

Dear Parents and Guardians,

Just a reminder that Monday 11 March is a Public Holiday.

Routines

Routines for children are very important and help them to build independence, responsibility and stamina. At school, students are taught routines from Prep and this helps them to organise themselves in the classroom and understand how and when to complete tasks. Often teachers will set morning routines such as changing their reader, checking their bags, organising their pencils etc for the day.

At home this is just as important, especially to develop good homework and play routines. Routines also help with predictability which helps with children's development.

Some routines you can adopt at home:

- Getting ready in the morning for school
- Completing homework
- Going to bed at night
- Completing chores – setting the table, doing the dishes, caring for pets etc

Division Swimming

Our Division Swimming Team competed at Aquanation on Wednesday 6 March. They all swam very well and represented Templestowe Valley Primary admirably. Thank you to Mrs Fitzgerald for attending the event and supporting our students.

The results were:

- Medley Relay, Eve, Casey, Kaitlyn, Erin – Fourth Place
- Freestyle Relay, Ava, Kaitlyn, Lucia, Erin – Third Place
- Butterfly, Mitchell – Third Place
- Butterfly, Erin – First Place
- Breaststroke, Erin – First Place



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Calendar

March

5-13/3	Somers Camp – selected students
11/3	Public Holiday Labour Day - No school
13/3-22/3	Yr 3&5 NAPLAN
18/3-27/3	P-Yr 4 Swimming Lessons
21/3	Harmony Day
27/3	Yr 5/6 Interschool Sport
28/3	Easter Bonnet Parade 9am Last Day of Term 1 2:30pm finish

April

15/4	First Day Term 2
15/4-24/4	5/6 Swimming Lessons
25/4	ANAZAC Day

2024 Term Dates

30 January to 28 March

15 April to 28 June

15 July to 20 September

7 October to 20 December

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5/6 Interschool Sport

On Thursday 7 March, the students in Years 5&6 participated in the District Interschool Sports. They played basketball, cricket, softball, rounders and tennis. These sports are all about students participating and enjoying sport. It was pleasing to hear the good sportsmanship shown by our players.

School Council AGM

At our next School Council meeting, we will be holding our Annual General Meeting. It will be held at 6pm on Monday 18 March in the Staffroom. At the AGM, we will present the Annual Report and discuss the 2023 year at TVPS. If you would like to attend the AGM, please let David Jenes, Acting Principal know by email David.jenes@education.vic.gov.au

NAPLAN

The NAPLAN testing for Year 3&5 students will take place next week.

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 standards.

NAPLAN is just one aspect of a school's assessment and reporting process. It does not replace ongoing assessments made by teachers about student performance, but it can provide teachers with additional information about students' educational progress.

The Year 3 students will sit the tests on Wednesday, Thursday and Friday.

The Year 5 students will sit the tests on Wednesday, Friday and Monday.

Easter Bonnet Parade and Easter Raffle

Our Easter Bonnet Parade will be held on Thursday 28 March at 9am. We are looking forward to seeing all our students showing off their bonnets and enjoying the last day of term. The tickets for the Easter Raffle have gone home this week and are due back on Monday 25 March. If you are able to donate an item for the Easter Hampers, please drop it off at the office in the basket provided. The Easter Raffle will be drawn at the Easter Bonnet Parade.

Kinder Visit

On Thursday 14 March, we have one of our local kinders visiting to participate in a sports morning. A big thank you to Priscilla for putting this together.

Uniform

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.

P&F

Just a reminder our next meeting will be held on Thursday 14 March at 2:45pm in the staffroom.

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.

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.

General Reminders

Icy Poles will be on sale after school on Friday outside at the undercover area in front of the office.

