### Calendar of Events

**Term 3: Monday 11th July - Friday 16th September**

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### Principal’s News

**Multi-age Day, 11th August - Olympics**

Our Semester 2 multi-age day is being held on **Thursday 11th August**. Activities will revolve around the Olympics with students being grouped into countries for the sessions. Activities are scheduled to start with a 9.00am parade and then conclude before lunch at 1.30pm.

Students will be allocated to a country and encouraged to dress up for the day. Parents are welcome to attend and be involved in activities during the day.

**Energy Breakthrough Pizza Fundraiser**

As part of Multi-Age Day the Energy Breakthrough team are having a Pizza fundraiser. Please read the details regarding the event on the next page.

**Parent Opinion Survey**

Each year the Department of Education complete surveys of parents designed to provide feedback to schools regarding their performance. The survey has been handed out this week to 15% of families, randomly selected by DET.

If your child has delivered a Parent Opinion Survey home, please complete it carefully and return it to school, as the information is valuable to continue school improvement.

**Due back Wednesday 3rd August**

**Building Works**

During August we will have some temporary fencing and a new shed being installed near the back gate of the school. We thank parents and students for their understanding and consideration while this school improvement takes place.

**School Fair**

Planning is underway in preparation for the WHPS fair. Stall holders and donations are being sought presently; see the Parents Club news for further details.

### 2017 Enrolments

Parents are reminded that children commencing school in 2017 were to be enrolled in their school by **30th June**, which allows your child to participate in all school transition programs and be visited in their pre-school setting by a Prep teacher during Terms 3 and 4. **We are still accepting enrolments, forms are available from the school office.**

### Getting Ready For School Nights

**Tuesday, 2nd August** (Math and Social) and **Tuesday, 9th August** (Language). These nights are designed to assist parents of children to start school next year in preparing their children for school. The nights run from 6.30-7.30pm in the Grade 6 rooms with childcare available both nights. Further information can be obtained from Mrs Ellis.

**Scott Ross**

**Acting Principal**

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**Purpose**

At White Hills Primary School we provide students with skills to be lifelong learners. We are a community which caters for academic, physical, social and emotional needs, preparing our students to contribute productively to an increasingly globalised world.
Keeping Kids Safe Part 3

Practising Skills with Role Play From an article from “Parenthood” by Robin Barker.
Safety skills can become part of your child's everyday life with a bit of practice. Whether it's checking first with a familiar adult, not giving away personal details, avoiding and getting out of risky situations or knowing what to do if he or she get lost, there are easy role-playing scenarios you can do in a non threatening way. This will make sure he or she really understands what to do and has the confidence to do it if the need arise. Outings to shopping centres or parks are good opportunities to reinforce safety skills, so they become second nature. At the same time reassure your child that you are there for him or her. The most crucial element to personal safety for our children is parental supervision and attention.

Energy Break Through Pizza Day Fundraiser

On our Multi Age Day, on Thursday 11th August, students have the chance to order pizza and a drink as part of the EBT team effort to raise funds for the upcoming events and the upkeep of the cars. The pizza fits in nicely as a small part of another country’s culture that will be represented at the day’s activities.
Write your order on the back of a canteen lunch order bag or plain paper bag clearly labelled with name, grade and order. Enclose money in an envelope in the bag. Orders can also be purchased through Qkr under school events.
Pizza toppings are Ham and Cheese or Ham and Pineapple, $2.50 per slice (multiple pieces can be ordered) A fruit juice is also available, $1.50. Orders are to be returned no later than Friday 5th August.
No late orders accepted.
Thank you in anticipation of your support for this fundraiser.

Mrs Price, Mr Byron and EBT Team

Parent Club News

Parent Club Link on Website
We now have a Parent Club link on our school website, which you will be able to go to for information about our club and what we do.

Outdoor Movie Night 2017
Outdoor Movie Night 2017 Expression of interest Survey forms, went home with your child last week.
We would love to hear your feedback.
Please return by Wednesday 8th August.

Next Meeting
Our next meeting will be held Monday 1st August in the staffroom after assembly. All newcomers are welcome to attend. You are most welcome to bring along younger siblings to our meetings, so come and enjoy a cuppa with us!

School Fair: Friday, 4th November 4.30pm-7.30pm
We have commenced working towards our School Fair and are currently asking for donations from local businesses for prizes and activities. If there are any families in our school community who have a business and can help out with donations of vouchers or items, can you please leave them at our school office. Your assistance is very much appreciated.

Stall Holders
Anyone wishing to hold a stall on the day, the cost is $20.00. Leave your contact details at the office. Please supply your own tables on the day.

Cadbury Chocolate Fundraiser Overdue
All money and unsold chocolates MUST be returned to school by tomorrow 4.00pm, Friday 29th July so that we can finalise this fundraiser. Payment can be made to the office or via QKR.
All money raised will go toward the school grounds upgrade.
Thank you for your continued support.

Parent Club / Fundraising Committee
**Prep News**

**Pupil of the Week**

*Congratulations to Kaylee E, Abella A, Ashley L, Jobe R and Riley N, our ‘Prep Pupils of the Week’ for this week.* These Preps are becoming confident and persistent in completing class activities. Well done!

**Hand Washing**

With some of our children having colds at the moment we are encouraging all children to carefully wash their hands with soap and ask that you encourage them to do the same. The critical moments for hand washing with soap are after using the toilet or cleaning a child and before handling food. Hand washing is a cornerstone of public Health. Hand washing with soap is among the most effective ways to prevent diarrhoeal diseases and pneumonia, which together are responsible for the majority of child illness and deaths. Hand washing can also prevent skin infections, eye infections, colds, flu and intestinal worms. Washing hands with water alone is significantly less effective than washing hands with soap. Proper hand washing requires soap, a small amount of water and washing hands for as long as it takes to sing Happy Birthday. Using soap works by breaking down the grease and dirt that carry most germs, facilitating the rubbing and friction that dislodge them and leaving hands smelling pleasant.

**Prep Incursion**

On **Monday, 1st August** Wild Action Productions will be bringing their Australian Animal workshop to WHPS. This incursion and another in Term 4 will replace the Prep excursion. *Please note that PMP will not be held on this day.*

**Shoes For Junior School Children**

With the wet weather, in an attempt to protect our carpets, children with muddy shoes have been removing their shoes when they come to school, after recess and lunch times and placing them on a trolley near the door. This requires teachers to tie children’s shoelaces several times a day.

**If your child is unable to tie their own laces and you need to buy them new shoes please consider purchasing pull on boots or shoes with Velcro that your child can put on and take off by him or herself. Please name all shoes.**

**Term 3 Integrated Unit**

Our Term 3 unit of work will focus on Indigenous Australians and the importance of Australian animals in their culture. You may like to look for books, pictures, DVDs or information on the Internet about Indigenous Australians and Australian animals and bring them along to school to share with us.

**Hint For The Week**

Read aloud to your children for at least 15 minutes every day, even if it is the same story three times over. Read with animation. Listen to your own voice and don’t be dull, flat or boring. Don’t rush when you read. Pause at the end of each page to give your child time to ask questions, talk about the story and characters and give his or her opinion. By talking through the story children develop important speaking and listening skills.

**School Uniform**

We have noticed over the past term that many children are not wearing the correct school uniform. As stated in our school policy correct school uniform is compulsory. This means children are to dress in only navy or pale blue shirts, navy pants without stripes and logos, and navy jumpers or jackets. The school uniform does **not** include coloured jackets, tights, leggings and skivvies that are not navy or pale blue. If your child attends school out of uniform they will be changed into the correct school uniform using clean, spare clothes or you will be contacted to bring up the correct uniform for your child.

**Grade 1 News**

**Students of the Week**

1P – Loieza L for working hard on her procedure writing.
1CK – Macee WC for awesome procedure writing.
1D – Ray A for his hard work during maths time.
1M – Lucius S for concentrating hard to improve his learning.

**Excursion**

Please continue to return notes to school for our Snugglepot and Cuddlepie excursion happening in September. See your child’s classroom teacher if you need more information.

**Learning Portfolios**

Please return these to school with the completed two stars and a wish form to your child’s classroom teacher as soon as possible.
Grade 2 News

Students of the Week
2G – Dylan S for his improve reading routine and fantastic spelling.
2H – Max L for making a great start to term 3.
2B – EJ for remembering his spelling book.
2F – Jorjiah S for her beautiful handwriting.

Winter Weather
We have noticed lots of students coming to school without jumpers. As the weather gets colder it is important to stay warm to avoid illness. Please make sure your child has appropriate clothing to wear.

Junior School Teachers

Grade 3 News

Students of the Week
3N - Jack L for his excellent spelling achievements this year and the practice he does at home.
3CT - Teilani B for her mature and sensible choices in class.
3RD - Taj R for working extra hard to improve his handwriting.
3B - Mikaila P for making a fantastic start at WHPS.

Bike Education- Botanical Gardens Ride- Thank you
Unfortunately due to the weather on Tuesday 26th July we had to cancel our bike ride to the Botanical Gardens. Thank you to all the parents who volunteered to assist on the bike ride and especially to the parents who volunteered each week to assist with the running of a small group. Your assistance is invaluable and without it, programs like Bike Education wouldn’t be able to be run.

Camp
Medical Notes
Camp medical forms are due to classroom teachers, tomorrow Friday 29th July.
Camp Payments
Camp payments can be made to the office or via Qkr at any time. You are more than welcome to pay a little bit at a time to save one bulk payment at the end which can be hard with such a large amount. Camp must be paid in full by Tuesday, 13th September.

Learning Portfolios
Please return Learning Portfolios to classrooms as soon as you have finished looking at students wonderful work samples.

Student Supplies
It’s come to that time of the year where many students have lost or misplaced some of their school supplies, making it very difficult for them to use their class time effectively. Please check with your child to see if they still have scissors, ruler, glue stick, eraser etc. and replace the items they may have lost.

Spelling Bee Grade 3N
Pictured right are the winners of last week’s Spelling Bee. Congratulations to Sophie, Sierra, Charlize and Mattia

Grade 4 News

Students of the week
Maddie M – for doing a fantastic job on her spelling test.
Jesse G – for his caring and supportive nature.
Kaiden B – for trying his best with all tasks.

Multi-age Day
Multi-age day will be held on Thursday, 11th August 9.00am-1.30pm. It will be an Olympic themed day and students will be allocated a country in which they can to dress in that county’s colours. Watch this space for more info.!

Jets Gym
Jets Gym will commence on Tuesday, 16th August and run each Tuesday for 4 weeks.
Bike Ed

Bike Ed will begin this Monday, 1st August and run every Monday and Tuesday for 5 weeks. Permission notes were sent home 2 weeks ago and we will require parent helpers to help with Bike Ed sessions. Sessions will be held between 10.00-11.00am & 12.30-1.30pm on Mondays and 12.30-1.30pm on Tuesdays.

Notes are now overdue!

Also a reminder that Cyclescope have kindly offered a gift voucher for those students who take their bikes in for a free safety check. This can be found at the end of the newsletter.

There are a limited number of bikes that can be borrowed from the bike ed trailer. If your child needs to borrow a bike they will need to have a note sent along stating that they do. If more students need to borrow bikes that are available then they will need to be shared.

Please note that due to circumstances beyond our control, we will not be able to conduct bike checks prior to starting the program on Monday. These will be carried out for 4M and 4T during the middle block on Tuesday 2nd August, and 4G, the following Monday 8th August.

Learning Portfolios

Hopefully you have had a chance to check out all the amazing work in student portfolios. Once portfolios have been finished with, we ask you make a positive comment and sign the bottom of the sheet and return the portfolio to school.

Reading Journal

Please make sure reading journals have been signed at least once a week.

Homework

Homework will be coming home on Friday. Students are expected to return their homework every Thursday or they will attend homework club.

Camp Payments

Camp payments can be made to the office or via Qkr at any time. You are more than welcome to pay a little bit at a time to save one bulk payment at the end which can be hard with such a large amount. The amount owing after your $40.00 deposit is $170.00. You have until Tuesday 13th September to finalise payment (7 weeks).

Middle School Teachers

Upper School News

Grade 5 News

Students of the Week

5K - Mason L for making great choices and trying hard in all lessons.
5O - Caden W for making an enthusiastic start to the term.
5W - Lily K for her improved self-confidence and her effort in our multiplication math work.

Parent Helpers Wanted

If you are at all interested in being a parent helper for our three day camp in December, please see Mrs Rebecca Woods by the end of this week. Also, we put out a call for parent helpers for our Science sessions at Weeroona College on Tuesday, 16th August and Friday, 19th August. Please write a note in your child’s diary if you are able to help out on one or both of those days. Thank you.

Diary

Diary notes are constantly being written in your child’s diary for reminders for homework, special events or for communication between you and your child’s teacher. Please check diaries regularly so that you are kept up to date and aware of any important reminders.

Laptop Charging

Many students are coming to school with their laptops not charged properly.

Please remind your child to be charging their laptop overnight. Students are not to use their computers before the beginning of school for gaming. Please check in with your child to ensure that they using their laptop appropriately.

Lit Circles

Students in 5K and 5W have their Lit Circles reading up to the second tab and their math homework due this Friday.
Dental health screening
Dental health screening was conducted this week at school for students/families who elected to take part in the free program. If you were given a referral form, please be sure to follow up for your child.

Multi-age Day
The Olympics themed Multi-age Day will be held on Thursday, 11th August. More information surrounding the day will be sent out in the next fortnight. We would love to see as many parents and family members there to support and cheer on our students!

Grade 6 News
Students of the Week
6B - Sher C for her beautiful lit circle activities.
6G - Lily P for a fantastic effort at the Girls Football carnival, even with a broken thumb!
6P - Destiny C for an improved effort and attitude toward her work. Well done!

Community Connections
As well as working mosaicing in Community Connections, we will also be sewing teddy bears and other toys which will be used as ‘therapy bears’ and will be donated to a charity or organisation. We are looking for anyone who is a proficient sewer who would be available on Friday’s from 2.30-3.30pm to help our students with sewing. If you are interested please contact Jaime Gray.

Homework
This week’s homework will be an ICT task and was handed out today. This is expected to be submitted by next Thursday, 4th August. We appreciate parents’ continuing to support and emphasise the importance of adhering to a regular homework routine.

Lit Circles
Lit Circles books were chosen on Monday and we will continue to have our session on Fridays. It is expected that students read this book at home during the week, completing the allocated pages chosen by the group by Friday. Please continue to encourage your child to complete this reading.

Major Excursion: Werribee Open Range Zoo- Monday, 1st August
Our major excursion to the Werribee Zoo is taking place on Monday 1st August. Students will need to arrive at school by 7.30am as we will be departing by 7.45am sharp. Students will need to bring a snack, lunch, drink bottle, a small backpack and wear warm clothing. We are expected to arrive back at WHPS at approximately 5.00pm.

Upper School Teachers
After School Care Program
Since we have been back from holidays we have welcomed many new children into OSHC and the staff would like to welcome all those children and their families.

Activities – This week has been Ice Age week, suggested by Blair and Dr Who week suggested by Jordan. We will be doing Art & Craft and plenty of colouring in pages for these themes this week.

Fab Legend of the Week - Each week we announce on the Monday a Fab Legend of the Week for children who have been great leadership at OSHC. This week our Fab Legend is Sophie. Congratulations to Sophie who continues to help look after our new children and our first year preps. Sophie is always willing to lead by example and loves getting in helping staff and children.

If you are keen to join the fun each night but would like to know more information, then we are always happy to help! Anyone interested in joining is always welcome to come along and say hi and see what kind of games and activities we get up to. We also have an OSHC journal that we complete daily so you can see what we have been doing. We encourage everyone to read this as we love to share all the fun we have been having.

After School Care Team: Jamie, Eilish, Tracy, Jenna, Jake, Josh and Jorgia.
White Hills OSHC phone: 0402 590 272
Camp Australia Customer Care: Phone: 1300 105 343   Email: oshc@campaustralia.com.au

Physical Education News
On Sunday 24th July Round 1 of the VSCC was held at Dromana College. It was a cold and wet day but the enthusiasm of over 220 entrants across all levels could not be stifled.
White Hills PS student Liam M-M, competed in the U13 Racing category and was leading going into the 3rd and final lap. A minor crash on the final lap put him back to 2nd by the finish. The next round is Sunday 21st August at the You Yangs State Park.
**Community News**

**DTM Student Gig 2016**
A performance aimed at giving students a real life musicians experience
Saturday 27 August 2016, Salvation Army Hall, Mundy St Bendigo
Gig 1: School Groups Performance 11.00am, Gig 2: Choir, Band & Orchestra Performance 2.00pm
Students due 1 hour before commencement time. Entry $5 Adults, kids under 16 free.
Contact Drew Thorpe for more information 0407502438

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All abilities catered for
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**UNIFORM SHOP**
Friday 29 July  
Kate Duncan

Tuesday 2 August  
Heather Veitch

Friday 5 August  
Kelly Adcock

**Opening Times 2016**
Tuesday 3.30pm – 4.00pm and Friday 3.30pm–4.00pm

**SICKBAY ROSTER**
Friday 29 July  
Sherryn Taylor

Friday 5 August  
Marianna Bertani

Please collect from the office at the end of the day

**CANTEEN ROSTER**
Friday 29 July  
Dianne Egan

Fiona Robinson

Deb Button

Wednesday 3 August  
Carolyn Wilson

Jane Norton

Friday 5 August  
Kelly Adcock

Heather Veitch

Sam Franklin

Helpers to arrive at 12.30pm
Orders are to be written on a large paper lunch bag unless ordered through Qkr. (NO ENVELOPES), one per child.
Lunch bags are available for 10 for 60c or 10c each, with lunch orders and will be sent home.

**Urgent Reminder**: If you are unable to assist with canteen duty, please arrange a swap or inform the office so that a replacement helper can be arranged.

Mrs Helen Williams, Canteen Manager

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**NEWSLETTER ROSTER**
Thursday 04 August  
Kate Nichols

Thursday 11 August  
Nat Schroeter

Please collect from the office at the end of the day

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Sherryn Taylor

Friday 5 August  
Marianna Bertani

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**COMMUNITY NEWS**

**Run for Dad fun run**
Father’s Day, Sunday, September 4, 2016
Bendigo Racecourse

Run 7.5km starting at 10am
Run/walk 3.75km starting at 10am

DRESS UP AS YOUR FAVOURITE SUPERHERO
Sashes for all sections
Free breakfast provided for all participants

**ENTER AT: www.bchs.com.au**

Email: mcdonaldsnursery@impulse.net.au
Enquiries: Keith 5443 4644 (BH)

All proceeds to the Prostate Cancer Foundation

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Bendigo MTB Women's Challenge
Where: Spring Gully Trail Network Wattle Drive, Spring Gully, Bendigo
When: Sunday 21 August 10.00am – 2.00pm, racing 11.00am – 1.00pm (BBQ provided after race)
Who: Beginners/Novice, Junior, Intermediate & Advanced
Categories: Solo, pairs, triples, junior 13-18yrs, Novice (Solo 1hr race on shorter loop)
Details: 5km Green Loop, cruise it or race it, it’s your challenge, just come ‘n’ try complete as many laps as possible in the 2 hours
Entry: www.entryzone.com.au $20 per rider, $10 junior. MTBA & Non-MTBA Members Invited, no Day Licence required as this event is proudly supported by Mountain Bike Australia.