



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.

Calendar of Events

Term 3 2022: Monday 11 July – Friday 16 September

Week 2

Thursday 21 July

Student Led Conferences; 10am-6pm

Friday 22 July

Grade 3 Bendigo Excursion 9am-3.20pm

Week 3

Monday 25 July

Prep "Mini Beast" Incursion

Tuesday 26 July

Girls Division Football

Wednesday 27 July

Boys/Mixed Division Football

Thursday 28 July

ALPHA Production: Aladdin

Friday 29 July

MAV Games Day – Grade 5 Student Team

Ride/Scoot to School Day

Week 4

Wednesday 3 August

Cyber Safety Session Grade 5;

Students and Parents; 6.00pm-7.00pm

Wednesday 3 August

AMT Maths Competition –

Thursday 4 August

Selected Students Grades 3-6

Friday 5 August

MAV Games Day – Grade 3 Student Team

Week 5

Monday 8 August

Division Golf

Wednesday 10 August

Grade 4 Cyber Safety Session;

Students and Parents; 6.00pm-7.00pm

Thursday 11 August

Pupil Free Day

Week 6

Monday 15 August –

JETS Gymnastics Program Begins

Wednesday 17 August

Friday 19 August

MAV Games Day – Grade 4 Student Team

Week 7

Monday 22 August –

Book Week

Friday 26 August

Friday 26 August

The Blurbs Concert

Week 8

Friday 2 September

Division Basketball

Week 9

Friday 9 September

MAV Games Day – Grade 6 Student Team

Grade 2 Incursion

Week 10

Monday 12 September

Division Athletics

Friday 16 September

End of Term 3 – 2.30pm

Slight Price Increase in Lunch Order Items

As per the Dojo message last Friday, there has been some slight price increases with items on the menu at Peppergreen Farm Catering due to increased costs of ingredients generally. These prices are now active and will accommodate the lunch orders moving forward for Term 3 and for orders placed this week. The new menu was sent via Dojo and can be found on the school's website under the Parents tab - 'useful parent links' and has been added to QKR.

The other adjustment to the ordering system is that all orders are now required by 4:30pm the day before.

Peppergreen Farm catering apologise for this inconvenience.

Term 3 Planners available

Parents, please note that Term 3 planners are now available on the school's website under the Curriculum tab - 2022 Student Planners Term 3.

Principal's News

Hi everyone,

School Arrival

It has been observed by school staff that some students are being dropped off or arriving at school between 7:45am-8:00am in the morning! This is far too early for children to be wandering the school yard unsupervised. Staff are on duty from 8:30am, so students should arrive at school from 8:30am-8:50am when the music starts. If your child does need to arrive early due to work commitments, make use of the Before School Care facility available through Camp Australia. We offer this service to support our working families. Individual families will be contacted when we see students at school too early.

COVID 19 Guidelines and Recent Changes

- **Face masks** - It is strongly recommended by the Victorian Department of Health that face masks are worn in indoor settings, with face masks mandatory for those aged 8 and over who are household contacts and attending school. This is because the wearing of masks is effective in reducing the transmission of COVID-19. It is the department's expectation that, through to the end of winter, students aged 8 and over and staff will wear masks when in class, except where removing a mask is necessary for clear communication or when a particular activity requires the removal of a mask.
- **Exemptions for testing and isolation** - The period when someone is considered a recently confirmed case and therefore exempt from testing and isolation requirements has been reduced from the previous 12 weeks to 4 weeks. This means that staff and children who are household contacts of people with COVID-19 are now required to undertake the testing and isolation requirements from 4 weeks after completing isolation with COVID-19. Previously, this exemption period was 12 weeks.
- **Rapid Antigen Test kits (RATs)** will be made available to schools for the remainder of the year. It is recommended that rapid antigen tests are used by students and staff when symptomatic. Household contacts are required to test negative using a rapid antigen test on at least 5 out of 7 days if they are attending or working at a school onsite. Parents can access RAT kits from the office or email me at andrew.schaeche@education.vic.gov.au and I will give them to your child to bring home.
- **COVID 19 Parents - Getting kids to school** - Parents/carers are able to leave isolation if other arrangements cannot be made to transport their non-infectious child via private vehicle to and/or from school.

Ride/Scoot to School with some teachers

Following on from the success we experienced on the National Ride to School Day, our school has committed to a 'Ride to School Day' on the last Friday each month. **Our next planned ride will be next Friday, 29th July** and we are hoping to have many students (and their families) join us. Several staff members have committed to support this riding with students and parents along the creek-side track from both directions. Mr Scoble & Mr Byron will be starting at the bridge near Epsom Primary School at 8:15am riding slowly along the bike track. They will make another stop at the Scott Street bridge at 8:25am before finishing at school. Mr Schaeche, Miss Wang & Mrs Millard will be coming from the opposite direction starting a Weeroona Avenue at 8:15am. They will then make their way along the bike track stopping at the Bridge on Knight Street (behind Weeroona College) at 8:20am and then again near the playground just off The Boulevard in the Peppercorns Estate at 8:25am. They will then follow the bike track to school. We look forward to riding to school with many students next Friday.

Upcoming Cyber Safety Sessions

Notes were distributed earlier last week regarding upcoming cyber safety sessions for parents and children in Grades 4 & 5. Please note: An adult **MUST** be accompanied by their child. Please return the slip to attend ASAP.

- Grade 5 - Wednesday 3rd August from 6:00pm - 7:00pm
- Grade 4 - Wednesday 10th August from 6:00pm - 7:00pm

These sessions will focus on the following:

1. Our Digital Footprint
2. Looking Forward
3. Sharing Settings
4. Staying Safe

Parents will leave with some tips, some understanding of online activities and behaviour, as well as enjoy some conversations with your child that you may never have had before!

From the Fathering Project - Separation and staying connected

This week the focus is on staying connected to your children after a separation.

If you have decided to part ways with your ex-partner, please know that although the decision is tough, it's in the best interest for all involved.

Ensuring your children know that they are in no way responsible, and that their dad will continue to be there for them and love them no matter what, is fundamental.

Although you might not be able to see them every day, it doesn't mean it should impact your relationship with them.

Top Tips

1. Routines. Try to keep a routine in each household. Kids like rules and structure, it creates a predictable environment and will help to support the new living arrangements.
2. Give your time. You don't need to overcompensate with gifts, holidays, or expensive outings. What kids need is your time and undivided attention.
3. Stay organised. Ensure you have key dates marked in your calendar. Keep to your arrangements and inform the other parent if you are unable to do so. Children can feel easily rejected by unexplained failure to arrive at the expected time.

Repeat Messages

Berry Street Pupil Free Day - Thursday 11th August

A reminder that Thursday 11th August is a pupil free day for staff's last professional learning training day about the Berry Street Educational Model. The Berry Street Education Model (BSEM) provides strategies for teaching and learning that enables teachers to increase engagement of students with complex, unmet learning needs and to successfully improve all students' self-regulation, relationships, wellbeing, growth and academic achievement. Our pedagogical strategies incorporate trauma-informed teaching, positive education, and wellbeing practices.

Enrolments for 2023

Currently, there are 62 enrolments for Foundation (Prep) for 2023. If you have a sibling of a current student at our school who will be starting next year, please collect a full enrolment form, complete and return as soon as possible. So far there are 29 sibling enrolments, this time last year there were 38.

Individual tours are available by contacting the school office.

Instrumental Music Lessons at White Hills PS

As you will already be aware, DTM have finished up, so moving forward the following options are available for families:

- Singing - Louise MacGregor (0431 599 044) littlelungsmusic@gmail.com
- Guitar/bass/ukulele - Billy Volkofsky (0458 463 194) billy.volkofsky.tutoring@gmail.com
- Piano/keyboards - Madelyn Kidd (0467 869 726) madelyn.mgkmusic@gmail.com

Please contact them directly to access lessons for your child during school hours.

Please let us know if there's anything further that we can do to support you here at WHPS.

Andrew Schaeche,
Principal

STUDENTS OF THE WEEK – Term 3, Week 1 Assembly (15 July 22) – ASPIRE



Students of the Week – Term 3, Week 1

CLASS	NAME	AWARDED FOR....	CLASS	NAME	AWARDED FOR....
PF	Japjit B	For working hard in writing and using strategies to support him with writing a sentence.	4SC	Kenzie J	For always aspiring to do her best and completing her work.
PP	Evelyn H	For aspiring to challenge herself this week during writing trying her very best.	4C	Jamaica G	For aspiring to do her best!
PE	Oliver G	For aspiring to do his best in writing by including finger spaces and a full stop.	5R	Abby F	For always working hard to reach her personal learning goals.
PR	Bradley S	For always aspiring to give his best effort as he settles into his new class.	5HB	Isabella P	For working hard and aspiring to complete high-quality work.
1AK	Ayra H	For aspiring to be her best by working hard at home and at school to improve her number facts.	5T	Brae V	For aspiring to do his best when writing a detailed paragraph about Asia.
1F	Logan T	For always aspiring to do his best!	5D	Tatelyn N	For aspiring to achieve in all subjects by consistently applying her best effort.
1S	Magnolia A	For aspiring to be an inclusive classmate by showing care and compassion for others.	5W	Alleria C	For aspiring to improve her reading by developing a consistent home reading routine.
2TD	Adrian G-T	For aspiring to be the best in all areas! A wonderful positive start to the term!	6LW	Ethan N	For aspiring to do his best in our maths lessons on shape this week, in particular his focus used when drawing nets of shapes.
2P	Jordyn W	For always working incredibly hard and aspiring to always complete her best work.	6B	Drew W	For aspiring to do his best in the classroom.
2M	Bill N	What an amazing start to Term 3 Bill, you have been aspiring to do your best in all tasks this week. Keep it up!	6S	Bonham H	For always aspiring to do his best and respecting others in the classroom.
2W	Cameron S	For such a great start at WHPS and aspiring to do his best at all times. 2W are so glad to have you, Cameron!	6J	Kreuzer S	For being respectful towards his peers and aspiring to complete all tasks.
3M	Muchovey T	For aspiring to complete his best work this week.	Sports Award (Mr Scoble)	Brynn T	For aspiring to do her best during our unit on AFL.
3V	Mu Tha H	For challenging herself and aspiring to do her best.	Chinese Award (Ms Hung)	Oliver B - 2W	For showing respect to the teacher, working hard in learning, and completing all required tasks.
3G	Dexter K	For a great start to the term and aspiring to complete his writing to a high level.	Art Award (Mrs White)	Koby Mc - 5W Pippa J - Prep P	Aspiring to do his best with his pet animal body – It was AMAZING! For being a very creative student making a POM POM with wool
4S	Taylor B	For aspiring to complete her best work when completing her reading goals.	Art Award (Mrs Watchman)	Landon P - 5D Ryan H - 6J Sonny T - 6J	For being resilient in art For aspiring to be his best in Art. For being focused and completing Artwork.
4O	Harrison R	For challenging himself and always aspiring to do his best!	Music Award (Mr Marsh)	Choir: Abby H - 5D	Abby is so dedicated to choir that she even practiced over the holidays. What a super star!

PARENTS AND FRIENDS GROUP NEWS

HELPERS NEEDED

WE ARE AFTER HELPERS TO DO HEAD LICE CHECKS THIS TERM. IF THIS IS SOMETHING YOU ARE WILLING TO ASSIST WITH, PLEASE EMAIL KATE ON [KATEKIM1@LIVE.COM](mailto:katekim1@live.com)

STAY CONNECTED

IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO BE UPDATED ABOUT EVENTS OR WHEN WE NEED VOLUNTEERS, PLEASE HEAD OVER TO OUR NEW FACEBOOK GROUP "WHITE HILLS PRIMARY PARENTS AND FRIENDS GROUP".

THANKS, FROM THE PFG!

COMMUNITY NEWS



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**FRIDAY NIGHT JUNIOR
COMPETITION/COACHING**

6:45-8:30PM

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SAVER PLUS INFORMATION SESSION FOR: PARENTS WITH PRIMARY & SECONDARY SCHOOL AGED CHILDREN (4YO KINDER TO YEAR 12 & HOMESCHOOLED)

A drop in session for parents with school aged children (4yo kinder - Yr 12 & homeschooled). Find out how you can build your financial resilience and get up to \$500 for education costs for your education or your child's with this free program. We will discuss how Saver Plus works, the eligibility criteria and how to sign up.



Meeting Details:

Date: Tuesday 26th July, 2022

Time: 12:30 - 1:30pm AEST (Drop in)

Zoom Meeting:

[https://bsl.zoom.us/j/66331238361?
pwd=Z0swYWYrb3pONHBOVXVlbHl3OU5TZz09](https://bsl.zoom.us/j/66331238361?pwd=Z0swYWYrb3pONHBOVXVlbHl3OU5TZz09)

Passcode: 536569

RSVP:

Click on the link below or scan the QR code to register for the session:

<https://forms.office.com/r/zPTAvyaP5e>



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SHARED PATHS KIDS DRAWING COMPETITION!



Enter for a chance to win one of three scooters!

Greater Bendigo's shared paths are used every day by people of all ages and abilities for a variety of uses including: walking, running, cycling, scooting, pushing a pram and dog walking so it's important for everyone to feel safe and comfortable.

Local kids from 5 to 12 years of age are invited to enter the competition by submitting a drawing of a symbol or character (human, animal or other) that best represents one of the following key safety messages:

- 1 Keep left, allow free movement on the path
- 2 Ring your bell or warn other path-users on approach
- 3 Slow down when passing someone

HOW TO ENTER:

Just take a clear photo of your drawing and upload it through the City's Let's Talk website <https://letstalkgreaterbendigo.com.au/shared-paths-competition> by Sunday August 14, 2022. Kids are encouraged to make multiple entries to cover the three different safety messages.

Winning entries will be notified by Friday September 9, 2022.

Entries could be used in future City of Greater Bendigo promotional material.



More information about shared paths is available at www.bendigo.vic.gov.au/sharedpaths





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