Vision and Values
At White Hills Primary School we are committed to providing students with tools for lifelong learning. We foster a climate which enables students to be adaptable learners and contribute productively in our constantly changing society.

Calendar of Events

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**Christmas Raffle:**
Raffle books and Money Due Tomorrow
Please return your books and money tomorrow.
Thank you for your donations.
We have lots and lots of prizes to be drawn on Carols night!!

**Principal’s News**

**Grades 2014: Notification Sent Home Today**

2014 grade allocation letters for all students have been sent home today - Thursday, 12th December. Included with the letter is a map of classrooms, outlining the location of teachers and classes for the beginning of the 2014 school year. **Due to the complexity in establishing grades, students cannot be moved.**

Opportunity for written parental input closed many weeks ago. Naming of a preferred class teacher was **not** part of this process. The process of allocating children to grades is very complex, with teachers and coordinators spending many days developing class groups based on sound educational factors. Class teachers have worked with children to nominate five (5) of their friends and we have placed them with at least one (1) of their nominated friends.

We consider the following factors when determining grades: even distribution of academic ability within grades, separation of children who do not work well together, gender balance, interpersonal development, friendship groups, attitude, maturity, individual needs and behaviour.

**Classes for 2014 are as follows:**

**P/E** Jan Ellis

**P/I** Jeanine Fitzgerald

**P/F** Dinah Freeman

**P/S** Anne Serjeant

**I/P** Kylie Pitt

**I/M** Sam Mumford (Knudsen)

**I/T** Jaclyn Tanner (Smith)

**1/CK** Sally Coburn & Lauren Kilcullen

**2/W** Kristy Williams

**2/R** Lauren Ray

**2/B** Sue Baker

**2/S** Alison Sartori

**3/N** Karen Netherway

**3/TH** Jolene Travaglia & Kate Hardinge

**3/W** Jann Watson

**4/G** Alan Gillies

**4/K** Kaitlyn Gedye

**4/CR** Chris Connaughton & Meagan Rosa

**5/P** Elaine Price

**5/T** Trevor Trewartha

**5/K** Hayley Kirk

**6/B** Roger Byron

**6/R** Scott Ross

**6/M** Gayle Millard

**6/G** Jaime Gray

We welcome back Mrs Christine Connaughton, Mrs Kate Hardinge and Mrs Meagan Rosa. All are looking forward to their new teaching roles at White Hills.

**Specialist teachers for 2014 are – Mr Stewart Scoble (Physical Education, 4 days), Mr Gerry Tyndall (Phys. Ed, 1 day), Mrs Monique White & Mrs Cadi Watchman (Art), Mr Vern Wall (Music & Drama), Ms Sue Briggs (Reading Recovery & Prep support), Mrs Christine Alexander (Reading Recovery & English as an Additional Language), Mrs Jane Leahy & Mrs Heather White (French).**
**For Sale: Surplus Netbooks Only $50 Each**

We are offering 5 more Samsung N150 Plus netbooks for sale at $50.00 each. Contact the school asap on 54430799 if you are interested in purchasing one.

The specifications are as follows:
- Windows XP (base install, no extra software)
- Intel Atom N450 1.6ghz single core
- 2GB of Memory
- 160GB Hard Drive
- 3 x USB ports
- 1 x VGA port
- 100mb Ethernet port
- Webcam

**School Banking Now Closed for 2013**

School Banking is closed for 2013. We thank Michelle, who has coordinated our school banking for this year. We really appreciate your efforts.

**Student Reports: Distributed Next Wednesday**

End of year student reports and Learning Portfolios will be distributed on Wednesday, 18th December.

**Whole School Carols Night: Next Wednesday**

Our school Carols Night will be held on **Wednesday, 18th December** in our school grounds. The night will commence with families bringing their own basket tea at 6.00pm, the school band will commence playing at 6:15pm, followed at 6.30pm by class performances. It is expected that the night will conclude before 8.00pm.

As all children at the school will be involved in this night we ask that parents keep this date free and we look forward to your attendance.

The format of the Carols Night is as follows:
- The **event is alcohol-free**. As the evening involves children, we ask that parents, friends and relatives **do not bring alcohol**.
- The **playground area is out of bounds during the performances**. We ask that parents supervise their children (of all ages) to ensure they are not on the playground during performance times.
- School buildings and grounds are **smoke-free**. **This is a state law**.
- School children are to be seated in their class groups in front of the stage area so they are ready to go on for their performance. They should not be sitting with their family.
- **Adults** should display **good audience behaviours** by facing towards the performers and limit their talk whilst performances are taking place.

**Grade 6 Graduation Evening: Next Thursday**

The Grade 6 Graduation Evening will be held at the Bendigo Baptist Church, 757 McIvor Hwy, Junortoun on **Thursday, 19th December**, commencing at 5.30pm for the Grade 6 students.

Parents are to arrive at the Baptist Church auditorium at 7.00pm for the formal part of the evening. Grade 6 families were sent a letter with all details several weeks ago.

**Step Up Sessions: Next Thursday & Friday**

‘Step Up’ transition sessions for our students in their 2014 grade groupings will take place next week.

These Step Up sessions will occur on:
- Thursday, 19th December from 11.30am-1.30pm
- Friday, 20th December from 9.00am-11.30am

Students will be involved in activities in their 2014 grade in their new classroom, and (if possible) with their 2014 teacher. Students who are new to White Hills in 2014 have also been invited to attend the Step Up sessions. We have received very positive feedback from parents about how these sessions prepare their child / children for transition into their new grade.

**End of Term Dismissal Next Friday: Early Finish at 1:30pm**

All students will be dismissed at 1:30pm on Friday, 20th December. Children will have their normal morning recess break at 11.00am and then have lunch at home after dismissal at 1:30pm.

**Canteen/Uniform Shop Closed**

The Canteen and Uniform Shop will be closed on Friday 20th December, last day of term.

**Lost Property**

There are many items in the lost property box, any unclaimed items will be donated to goodwill at the end of term.
2014 Educational Maintenance Allowance (EMA) & Schoolkids Bonus

Educational Maintenance Allowance:
Last year the Victorian State Government implemented significant changes to the EMA amount and how it was paid. This meant parents at White Hills PS were not able to put their EMA payment towards the cost of the school Bookpack, student photocopying and computer requisites charges (Part A).

School Council has again determined that if parents elect to sign over or direct their EMA payment to the school, these funds will be put towards the payment of Special Events, major excursions and camps.

Schoolkids Bonus:
The 'Schoolkids Bonus' was a payment introduced by the previous Commonwealth Government. It was paid by Centrelink in January and July each year to help families with school costs. Please note that the current Commonwealth Government has committed to abolishing the Schoolkids Bonus. Legislation to abolish the Schoolkids Bonus was introduced into Parliament on 13th November 2013. If the legislation is passed before the end of this year, the Schoolkids Bonus will not be paid from January 2014.

In short, parents should not rely on the Schoolkids Bonus to cover educational costs at the beginning of the 2014 school year.

An information sheet regarding the EMA and Schoolkids Bonus has been included in the 2014 Book Pack information.

It's very important that you read the information sheet as the changes outlined above will have a considerable impact upon your budgeting for educational costs. You can also call the school office on 54430799 for further details.

Book Pack Collection Days 2014

Book Pack collection and payment days are Thursday, 23rd and Friday, 24th January 2014 from 9.30am – 1.00pm.

To avoid a rush at the beginning of each day we ask that families consider doing the following:
- Families with surname A-H collect Book Packs between 9:30-11:30am
- Families with surname I-Z collect Book Packs between 11:30am-1pm

Minimum costs to be paid when collecting book packs are outlined in Section A of the Book Pack information (ie. the Book Pack, student photocopying and computer requisites charges). The Uniform Shop will be open for the payment and collection of orders.

Costing for 2014 Book Packs (Part A) are:
- Preps - $107.00, Grade 1 - $103.00, Grade 2 - $104.00, Grade 3 - $100.00, Grade 4 - $79.00, Grade 5 - $193.00 and Grade 6 - $193.00 Payment is due on Book Pack collection days.

Please note that parents at White Hills PS will not be able to allocate their EMA payment towards the cost of the school Book Pack, student photocopying and computer requisites charges (Part A). However, you will be able to allocate your EMA payment towards prepayment of Special Events and any other expenses.

Traffic Safety at Front of School

Parents should note the following:
- It is illegal to perform a U-turn in front of the school, even down by the bridge.
- Parents are not to enter the staff car park during drop off and pick up times due to the heavy pedestrian traffic.
- Parents are urged to use the school crossing when crossing the road to collect their children. It is important that children have safe traffic behaviour modeled to them.
- The parking bays at the front of the school are for drop off and pick up only (2 minutes). They are not for longer-term parking.
- Park on the school-side only in Sharyn St. Parking on both sides of the street blocks access and residents unable to get out of their driveway.

Please note that the Highway Patrol conduct regular patrols in an unmarked vehicle. They warn that fines will be issued for illegal traffic behaviour. We appreciate your support in keeping our students and families safe.

2014 Term Dates

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Weeroona College Awards Night
On Tuesday evening I had the pleasure of attending the Weeroona College Awards Night. My congratulations to former students of White Hills PS who have excelled in their schooling across all Bendigo Secondary Schools. Many of our former students were members of the Weeroona College band and choir, who entertained the audience. These students included: Kathryn Hutchesson, Chloe Burton, Darcy Fletcher, Emily Logan, Georgia Coverdale, Hayden Deane, Isabella Pearce, Jack McEwan, Jaidyn Sheridan, Jasmine Wallis, Madeleine McGuinness, Tia Hendy, Eleisha Marshall, Tiarne Ferguson, Georgia McGuinness, Makayla McDonell and Tiffany Flanagan.

Congratulations to the following Weeroona College award recipients:

**Personal Endeavour Awards**
Year 7 – Jessica Brereton, Michael Collier-Clarke, Jackson Landry, Tah Eh P’Saw Paw, Dylan Robertson, Matthew Walker-York-Moore
Year 8 – Emma Davis, Emily Field, Tiffany Flanagan, Kyle Hilson, Lauren Moloney, Amber McConnell, Alanah Mitchell, Katrina Tanner
Year 9 – Caitlin Green, Lauren McArthur, Emily Thaxter
Year 10 – Liam Carter, Teagan Robertson, Joel Stratford

**Student Service Awards**
*Energy Vehicles* – Gabrielle Rusbridge, Matthew Walker-York-Moore, Lachlan Coverdale, Jack Bourke, Euan Petts, Georgia Coverdale
*House Captains* – Alanah Mitchell, Shaun Nicholls, Lynden Bullow, Samantha Irving, Brooke Engi
*SRC Members* – Chloe Sanders, Alec Fletcher, Bronte Pierce, Jake Rusbridge, Renee Ricardo

**Sports Awards**
*Parents Club Sports Awards*
Jarrett Miles, Tallis Miles
*One on One Cricket Award*
Brayden Stepien
*Bendigo YMCA Harriers Athletics Award*
Year 7/8 – Gabrielle Rusbridge
Year 9/10 – Karly Mitchell

**Special Significance Awards**
*Parents’ Club Citizenship Award*
Renee Ricardo
*Bendigo Northern District Enterprise Award*
Katrina Tanner

**Academic Excellence**
*Year 7* - Jack Bourke, Hayley Dunne, Kathryn Hutchesson, Jarrett Miles, Sam Mogyorossy, Isabella Pearce, James Robinson, Gabrielle Rusbridge, Jessica Safron, Xavier Salm, Blair Street
*Year 8* - Tess Carter, Lachlan Coverdale, Bailey Goodwin, Mitchell Hammer, Alysha Handley-Bramley, Georgia McGuinness, Thomas McKerrow, Junjira Wallis
*Year 9* - Georgia Coverdale, Samantha Green, Matthew Green, Bridie Kent, Brandon McInnes, Tallis Miles, Catelyn Savanah, Alannah Sheridan, Sarah Thompson
*Year 10* - Dana Harris, Jake Rusbridge

**Curriculum Awards**
*English* – Brandon McInnes (Year 9)
*Health & PE* – Gabrielle Rusbridge (Year 7), Mitch Hammer (Year 8)
*Humanities* – Brandon McInnes (Year 9)
*LOTE* – Brandon McInnes (Year 9)
*Mathematics* – Jack Bourke (Year 7), Tom McKerrow (Year 8), Tallis Miles (Year 9)
*Science* – Jack Bourke (Year 7), Tom McKerrow (Year 8)
*Technology* – Tah Eh P’Saw (Year 7)

**LaTrobe Infinity Awards**
Tallis Miles, Brandon McInnes, Samantha Green

**Year Level Dux**
*Year 7* – Jack Bourke
*Year 8* – Tom McKerrow, Georgia McGuinness
*Year 9* – Tallis Miles and Samantha Green

**Academic Excellence – Year 10**
*Health & Physical Education* – Jake Rusbridge
*Work Experience Award* – Bridget Sens

Congratulations as well to former WHPS student Matthew Wilson, from Girton Grammar, who received an award for academic excellence, a citizenship award and the University of Melbourne Kwong Lee Dow Young Scholars Program in extension Japanese. I’m always keen to hear from parents about the success of our former students.

Mr Damien Jenkyn
Principal
FIRST AID

Collect Your Child's Medications
Could all parents please remember to collect all medications (Ventolin, Epipens, Hay fever medicine, etc.) from the sickbay on the last day of school. Over the holidays, parents are advised to obtain a new Anaphylaxis plan (signed by your child’s doctor) as it is a requirement that this be done every 12 months. Allergy and asthma plans should also be updated.

Have a safe and happy Christmas 😊
Sabina and Trudy

SOCIAL SERVICE

Thank you to everyone who participated last Friday to raise funds to assist the people of the Philippines with their recovery efforts after the devastating typhoon.
We raised $594.00 which will go directly to the SHARE Philippines Typhoon Appeal (Uniting World).

Mrs Sue Baker
Social Service Coordinator

Donations of Second Hand Uniforms Required
This is just a short note to ask if anyone has any second hand school uniform items that they would be willing to donate. We particularly need summer uniform items, but will accept any uniform items that are in a reusable condition.
Any donations can be left for me at the office for collection.
Thank you,
Michael Monaghan.
School Chaplain

PARENTS CLUB/FUNDRAISING NEWS

2013 Christmas Hampers Raffle
All books and money or any unsold tickets need to be returned to the office no later than tomorrow, Friday, 13th December. The raffle will be drawn at the Annual White Hills Primary School Carol’s evening on Wednesday, 18th December.

Parent’s Club Meeting
Our next Parents Club meeting will be held in the staffroom on Wednesday, 5th February at 9.00am. We welcome all parents.

Your continued support of our fundraising efforts is greatly appreciated. All money raised will go towards the Grounds Master Plan landscaping upgrade to commence in 2014.

Parents Club / Fundraising Committee

MUSIC/DRAMA NEWS

Music Lessons with Drew Thorpe
If your child is interested in learning keyboard, please fill out the attached enrolment form for Term 1, 2014 and return to the school.

White Hills Idol
A reminder that the final will be held next Wednesday, 18th December at 11.30am in the sports shed. All family, friends and visitors are most welcome to attend. We wish all the finalists the best.

Carols Night
Both the school Choir and the Junior and Senior MI bands are practising hard for the Carols Night at the end of the year. The Carols night is Wednesday, 18th December.
As in previous years the Junior and Senior bands will play some music prior to the start of the evening. The Junior Instrumental Band will start playing at 6.00pm and the Senior Instrumental band at 6.15pm. The carols night then officially starts at 6.30pm.
The school choir will perform as a part of the evening’s entertainment.

Mr Vern Wall, Music / Drama Teacher

Congratulations to our Birthday children
Preps

Pupils of the Week
Congratulations to our Prep ‘Pupils of the Week’ who are participating well in class activities and are working hard to develop their resilience skills. Well done to Ashlen R, Poppi K, Caitlyn L-N and Oliver L.

Prep Tea And Games
As part of the school camping program the Prep children will be having tea and games together on Friday, 13th December. The night will begin at 5.00pm on the school playground for play and tea and then move into the school hall for musical games and dancing until 7.00pm. Parents are asked to pick up their child/children from the sports shed and make sure a teacher has been told that your child is leaving.

Sink To Swim Visit
On Tuesday, 17th December, the Preps will attend a beach water safety session from Victorian Lifesavers. There is no charge for this important presentation, which will be held at the school.

Prep Break-Up Party
The Prep grades will have a special break-up party in the Prep play area at school on Tuesday, 17th December beginning at 1.00pm. We ask that each Prep family brings a small disposable plate or container of party food for us to share. Please no food containing nuts. The children will still need to bring their playlunch and a drink on this day. Parents are welcome to join us for lunch.

Prep Excursion To Kyabram Fauna Park
The Preps had a wonderful day at the Kyabram Fauna Park on Monday, looking at all the Australian animals. We saw kangaroos, koalas, wombats, eagles and swamp birds, Tassie devils, crocodiles and lots of other reptiles. We ate our lunch in the playground and had a great time playing before we got back on the bus. We had a lot of fun on the bus talking with each other and singing. Thank you to Ash Mc, Neil Mc, Merdeen L, Nicole D, Natalie A, Michelle N and Haylee, who helped us on our excursion.

Prep Reading And Writing
The Prep children will bring home their word and spelling lists next week. We ask that parents revise these lists every couple of days and use every opportunity for their child to read and write over the holidays, to help maintain the high standard they have reached this year.

Hint For The Week
Research shows children who read and write in their holidays retain and improve skills taught in school. Over the holidays spend some time visiting the local Library. Look at and borrow books to read together. Keep reading and writing each day to maintain the great standard our children have reached this year. Just because the school year is ending, doesn’t mean the learning has to stop!

Reader Bags And Library Bags
Reader and Library bags and smocks will be sent home next week. We ask that parents wash these and store them ready to bring to Grade 1 next year.

Booklists for Grade 1 in 2014
Parents are asked to note that the whiteboard, duster and reader and library bags purchased in the Prep Booklist at the start of 2013 will be passed on to your child's Grade 1 teacher at the end of this year for use in 2014.

Thank You
Thank you to all the Junior School parents who have assisted in any way this year. Without your support we would not be able to provide the quality programs available at our school.
Grade 1/2

Students of the Week
1A - Ruby M: for being such a great help in the classroom.
1 CW - Bailey S: for his excellent maths work.
1P - Sorcha Mc: for always doing her best.
1S - Chilli S: for being responsible and confident when wearing her glasses.
2R - Matthew S: for being the best sleeper at the Grade 2 Sleepover.
2W - J’Kobee S: for brave and resilient choices at the Grade 2 Sleepover.
2BK - Seth G: for sensible and responsible choices at the Grade 2 Sleepover.

Christmas Concert
Our School carols night will be held on Wednesday 18th December. Please don’t go to any trouble with a Christmas costume. Students can wear a Christmas hat, tinsel in their hair or Christmas t-shirt.

1/2 Christmas Party
A pink note went home today about the Grade 1/2 end of year celebration.

Middle School News

Students of the Week
3/4 G – Alisha T – for taking pride in the work she produces and her willingness to learn.
3/4W – Alex Y – for continuing to work really hard with his work and keep going until the task is done. Keep up the great effort Alex.
3/4N – Hope M – for excellent getting along skills, fantastic work and that beautiful smile.
3/4 H – Milli W – for writing against the margin.

Readers
Could all students ensure that classroom readers are returned to class by Monday 16th December as we need to allocate them to grades for 2014. Children are asked to bring a book from home for independent reading during the last week of school.

Library Books
Just a reminder that all library books need to be returned to the library by tomorrow.

Class materials
Both Grade 3 and Grade 4 students will need to take their headphones and whiteboards with them as part of their Step Up session next week. If they have been misplaced, they will need to be replaced as required before the beginning of next year.

Learning Portfolios
These will be sent home next Wednesday with your child’s end of year report. Please take the time to sit and reflect on your child’s learning throughout this term.

Carols night
The students have been practicing very hard over recent weeks with our two carols. Children are asked to dress appropriately for the evening.

Class Party
These will be held towards the end of next week. Individual classroom teachers will send a note home explaining in more detail.

ENERGY BREAKTHROUGH THANK YOU
Thank you to the families of our Energy Breakthrough teams. We were overwhelmed by your generosity as gratitude for our work with the 3 teams. It is many months of hard work but we do it because we love and believe in the event. We are rewarded by all the positives that the kids get out of participating. They were so committed to the 9 months of training and the way that they worked together, improved their fitness level and continued to have fun throughout the training program made our involvement enjoyable and so much easier. As always we couldn’t do it without fantastic parent support.

Elaine Price and Roger Byron
Students of the Week
Congratulations to these students of the week:
5B Matt T for completing his maths investigation to such a high standard.
5S Hser N-S for getting more involved in class discussions and offering answers and opinions during class.
5T Blair B for a consistent effort in class
5P Emma B for the quiet way she gets on with her work and keeps it up to date.
6M Jemma O for volunteering her time to complete extra class tasks
6R Ta Na M for his fun loving approach to class tasks.
6G Ally F for being a kind and helpful class member and a pleasure to have in the class.

Grade 5 Phillip Island Camp
We hope the Grade 5’s are having a great time on camp and enjoying all the experiences that are on offer. We look forward to seeing the photos and hearing all about it. Campers will return tomorrow, Friday, 13th December at approximately 4.30pm.

Learning Portfolios
Learning Portfolios will be sent home next week. All classes have prepared work samples to go in them, so if your child has not returned their learning portfolio to school please can you ensure it is returned as soon as possible.

Graduation
Grade 6 graduation payments are due on Monday 16th December. Please finalise the $35.00 payment by Monday and return the form advising us of how many people will be attending the ceremony. We look forward to spending the evening celebrating your child’s time at White Hills Primary School.

Pool Party: Tuesday 17th December 10.00am-3.00pm
A pink note was sent home last week with information regarding the pool break up party. The due date for the $3.00 payment is Monday 16th December. Please ensure the money and permission form are returned to the office by the due date. As stated on the note your child is required to wear a rashie or t-shirt in the pool in line with our sunsmart policy. Snacks, lunch and a drink bottle are also needed for the day.

Weeroona College Bendigo – Year 7, 2014
We hope Grade 6’s are getting excited about starting Secondary School in 2014!
ORIENTATION DAY on Tuesday, 3rd December. Meet in the College Gym.
START UP DAY will be held on Wednesday, 29th and Thursday, 30th January. Packs will be sent out to families in early January with details of how to make your appointment with your child’s Advisor.
LOCKERS – All students at WCB receive a locker (free of charge) in their Learning Community. Make sure you purchase a lock for this on the booklist or elsewhere if you are not submitting a booklist.
OFFICE – Our College Office will be closed from the (afternoon) of Friday, 20th December and will re-open on Thursday, 23rd January 2014.
FIRST DAY OF CLASSES will be Friday, 31st January 2014.

IF you have any further questions, don’t hesitate to contact the General Office on 54432133.
**SICK BAY ROSTER**

**Friday, 13th December**  
Carolyn Wilson

**Friday, 20th December**  
Kerrie Newman

**Helper to arrive at 12.30pm**

All orders are to be written on a large paper lunch bag. **(NO ENVELOPES)**, one bag per child please.

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.

**Popcorn only available on lunch order days – order with lunch and collect from canteen**

**Lunch orders MUST be handed into the classroom or office no later than 10.30am.**

If your child is signed out of school between 10.30am and lunch time, (1.30pm) their lunch order cannot be refunded

Mrs Helen Williams  
Canteen Manager

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**COMMUNITY NEWS**

**Bendigo Regional YMCA**

The Bendigo Regional YMCA is a not for profit organisation who has been a part of the Greater Bendigo community for over 80 years. The YMCA supports a large number of local community groups and schools, through funding, and support. One of the program that the YMCA run’s for the local community is the School Holiday Program. For further information, please contact Eli Geary on 54458300 or visit [www.bendigo.ymca.org.au](http://www.bendigo.ymca.org.au)

**Falcons Netball Club Recruiting Players**

Falcons Netball Club is looking for Primary, 13/Under, 18/Under players to join the club in 2014. Teams will play in the Bendigo Strathdale Netball Association competition, held at the stadium/outdoor courts at Flora Hill. Contact Myrt on 54413589 for more information or to join, email falconsnetball@gmail.com

**2014 Term 1 Junior Lacrosse Competition**

Come and play Lacrosse, not just different, better. Grade 3, 4, 5, and 6 are welcome to participate. Term 1, 2014 minimum 8 weeks, Thursdays 4.30pm to 6.00pm, $60.00 per term

**Registration Night** - Thursday 30 January 2014  
Shadforth Park, Bendigo North Rec Res, Cnr Fenton and Anderson Sts Bendigo North, Opp St Peters Primary School  
For details call Gino Iuliano on 0409 970 767 or bendigolacrosseclub@gmail.com

**White Hills Swimming Pool: Free Entry on Opening Day**

White Hills Pool is opening this Saturday, 30th November. Are you interested in becoming a volunteer? White Hills Pool relies on the contribution of volunteers to help out in our kiosk and we welcome new recruits. For further details phone Rosie on 54483920 or 0417164973.

**Season tickets** are now available for the White Hills Swimming Pool by contacting Rosie Taylor on 0417164973 or 54483920. Please support your local pool as the money used to purchase your tickets stays and directly supports your local pool, however tickets can be used at any of the outdoor pools.

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**UNIFORM SHOP**

**Friday, 13th December**  
Katie Clark

**Tuesday, 17th December**  
Kate Nichols

**Friday, 20th December**  
Closed

**2013 Opening Times**

Tuesday 9.05am – 9.35am and Friday 9.05am – 9.35am

**Team Leaders**

Julie Sens, Leigh Taylor and Kim Engi

**2nd Hand Uniform Items**

If not sold within 3 months, uniform items will be passed on to the Chaplain for any children in need. Orders can be left at the office anytime

**NEWSLETTER ROSTER**

**Thursday, 19th December**  
Leanne O’Brien

Please arrive 2.30pm

**SICK BAY ROSTER**

**Friday, 13th December**  
Carolyn Wilson

**Friday, 20th December**  
Kerrie Newman

Please collect linen from the office

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MUSIC LESSONS ENROLMENT FORM TERM ONE 2014

Student’s name & grade: .................................................................

Instrument: .................................................................

Group ($20/lesson): ..................................................

Private ($35/lesson): ..................................................

Parent’s name & contact details: ..........................................................

Lessons do not commence until payment received.

Fees can be split into two payments per term; at the first class and half way through the term.

Missed lessons are non redeemable unless 24hrs notice is given.

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