Calendar of Events

**Term 2: Monday 11th April - Friday 24th June**

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Principal’s News

**ANZAC Day Service: Tomorrow**

Parents are welcome to come along to our ANZAC Day ceremony on Friday 22nd April from 2.30pm outside the Peter Davey building facing the oval, weather permitting.

**ANZAC Day Public Holiday**

Monday 25th April is a public holiday for ANZAC Day. Students are not required at school on this day.

**Head Lice Follow up Checks**

Head lice follow up checks are next Tuesday, 26th April.

**Mothers/Special Person Day Breakfast**

Mothers and special people are invited to our special breakfast on Wednesday 4th May from 7.30am – 8.30am. This event is scheduled to be held in the brick area near the Prep sandpit.

**Hats Off: As of Monday, 2nd May**

Children may leave their broad-brimmed hats off when outside as of Monday 2nd May. Our school policy is in line with Cancer Council recommendations.

**School Review**

School reviews occur every four years. 2016 is a year of review for White Hills PS, during this term several opportunities for parents to contribute to the review of the school will be offered. We will be conducting online surveys and offering face to face feedback sessions. Keep an eye on the newsletter for further details.

**Maths Multi-age Day**

Next Thursday 28th April the whole school will be involved in our semester one multi-age day. This time we are focussing on Mathematics and solving problems. Students will participate in Prep-6 mixed ability groups to explore the many tasks during the day. Some exciting activities are being provided by World of Maths and the school is covering the entire cost of engaging this company.

**NAPLAN Testing**

NAPLAN testing is scheduled for Grade 3 and 5 students on 10th, 11th and 12th May. Parents please make every effort to ensure your students are in attendance on these days so they don’t have to catch up by doing them all in one day.
Congratulations to our Birthday children

Education Week: 16 - 20 May
Open Day & Information Sessions (Morning & Evening)

Open Day and Information Morning and Night at White Hills Primary School will be held during Education Week. **Open Day, on Tuesday 17\textsuperscript{th} May from 9.00am – 3.30pm, is an opportunity for parents, grandparents and friends to visit their child’s class. It is also a great time for new parents to see our school in action and speak to Prep teachers about the terrific programs available at our school.**

**A morning Information Session will be held in the school hall on Tuesday 17\textsuperscript{th} May at 10.00-11.00am, and an evening session at 7.00pm –8.15pm. These information sessions are especially designed for Year 2017 Prep parents interested in choosing a school for their child who have already chosen White Hills Primary.**

Childcare is available at both these sessions.

Prep Toy Unit of Work

As part of our Term 2 unit of work on Toys the Preps will be making their own toys using a variety of materials. If you have any materials at home that might be useful please bring them to the classroom over the next few weeks where teachers will store them until they are needed. Useful materials might include cardboard tubes from alfoil, paper towel and glad wrap, small boxes, string, straws, sticks, skewers, milk/juice cartons – well rinsed, bottle tops, ping pong balls, wool, material scraps or anything else you think might be useful!

Please note: Due to allergies and in the interest of health and safety, we are **NOT able to accept EGG CARTONS OR TOILET PAPER ROLLS.**

Teach Your Child To Bounce Back From Life’s Uncertainties, Part 4:

*Find Optimistic Explanations*

Mastery skills involve the way the child thinks, particularly when he has failed. The child questions, “Why did I fail?” or “Why did I succeed?” Optimistic explanations are the basis of seeing failures as challenges with associated activity and hope. Train your child to think of optimistic explanations for events. Watch the way you describe events-both for yourself and for your child: For example:

*Do you tend to use terms like "always" and "never" when things go wrong… “You never tidy your toys” or do you focus on the actual event? “You forgot to tidy your toys. You’ll have to finish before you watch TV.”*

*Do you describe setbacks as permanent catastrophes… “I’m useless at cooking.” or as incidents that can be acted upon? “This cake didn’t turn out very well. I’ll try a different recipe next time.”*

*When things go well do you call them “flukes”… “You were lucky your teacher was in a good mood” or do you give your child the credit? “Your teacher gave you the job because you are reliable.”*

Scott Ross
Acting Principal

Mobile Muster – Closes Tomorrow

White Hills Primary School has agreed to participate in the Mobile Muster which is a campaign run by the Jane Goodall Institute Australia. The Grade 6 students are asking for donations of your old mobile phone/s, that we all have lying around, batteries, charges, accessories and mobile wireless broadband devices that can be recycled. The recycling collections will help conserve the chimpanzee and great ape forest habitats in Africa. There is a collection box set up behind the glass window at the Office if you can help this campaign by recycling any of these devices.

Thank you
Grade 6 students

Book Fair

The annual Book Fair is fast approaching so start saving up to purchase some great reading material to add to your personal library. Students will be able to view the books during their library sessions from **Tuesday 26\textsuperscript{th} April.** The Book Fair will be open to purchase books for a week commencing **Monday 2\textsuperscript{nd} May,** before school from 8.30am to 9.00am and then straight after school from 3.30pm - 4.00pm. I wonder who the book character is that will be visiting this year?
Next Meeting
Our next meeting will be held on Monday 2nd May 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!

Mother’s / Special Person Day Stall – Donations of Gifts Please
Our Mother’s / Special Person Day stall will be held on Friday 6th May.
Every child is asked to please donate a gift to the value of $2.00. (Please ensure all gifts are new). Helpers will be needed on the day, please let the office know if you are able to assist.

Thank you for your continued support.

Parent Club / Fundraising Committee

Junior School News

Prep News
Pupil of the Week
Congratulations to Sam C, Kenlee S, Bonham, Caleb and Nathyn T, our Prep ‘Pupils of the Week’ for this week. These Preps are organised, enthusiastic and helpful in class. Well done!

Grandparent’s Morning
As part of Education Week the Prep grades will hold a special morning for Grandparents or older friend on Friday, 20th May, from 9:00am to 11.00am. Parents are asked to mention this date to grandparents / friends so they can be available for this special time. Invitations for grandparents / special friends will be sent home closer to the event.

Prep Perceptual Motor Program (PMP)
PMP will not be held next week due to Monday being ANZAC Day.

Language Hint For The Week
When reading with your child, choose the time that suits your family best.- After school, before school, before going to bed, etc. The important thing is that your child reads each day.
This week our sounds are n and o.

Grade 1 News
Students of the Week
1P – Levi D for improved attendance, a great start to Term 2!
1CK – Archie H for fabulous work using tens frames in Maths.
1D – Alice C for always completing her work and being a helpful class member.
1M – Leatisha S for making positive choices with her learning.

Kids Help Line
This week the Grade one students participated in a video call session with the Kids Help Line. The session focussed on resilience and the different strategies to try if things get tough. Ask your child to tell you about some of the ideas we discussed.

How Does Your Garden Grow?
We are currently investigating living things in a garden. If you have any books at home that might be of interest, please send them along to school.

Reading
We still need lots of assistance with classroom reading. If you are able to help out, even for a short time, please see your child’s classroom teacher.
Mini-beast Incursion
Payment and permission notes need to be returned to school no later than Wednesday, 27th April.

Grade 2 News
Student of the week
2G – Jack T, for making a great start to the term and always working hard.
2H – Dustin M, for his improved confidence in maths.
2B – Kai N, for great improvements in speaking and listening.
2F – Lilly M, for helping others and always being kind.

Jurassic World
The Grade 2 students had a fantastic time exploring the Jurassic World exhibition and visiting the IMAX. Everyone was well behaved and we had other adults remark on how well behaved the students were. Well done to everyone, what a great start to learning about the ‘Lost World’ inquiry.

Learning Portfolios
Please take the time to look at your child’s work from Term 1 and comment using the two stars and a wish. Once complete please return the portfolio to your child’s classroom teacher, ready for Term 2.

Spelling Books
Spelling books were sent home last week. Please make sure you are practicing your spelling words throughout the week and returning the spelling book each Monday.

Junior School Teachers

Middle School News

Grade 3 News
Grade 3 Camp: 5th - 7th October
The total cost will be $206.00. A deposit of $40.00 and permission notes are due back by Friday, 20th May. If you have misplaced your note and need another one, please see your class teacher. (Please note that CSEF will not cover the cost of camp deposits).

Students of the Week
3N - Riley R for a brilliant start to term 2! Congratulations on a fantastic effort.
3CT - Tarkyn B for his persistence and resilience in class.
3RD - Hayden F for his organisation in the classroom when getting ready for learning.
3B - Brodi D for making a great start to Term 2.

Cross Country
Students have been training hard for our school cross country, which is being held on Wednesday 27th April. Please make sure your child is wearing appropriate footwear on the day.

Learning Portfolios
Learning Portfolios went home during the last week of term 1. Please read, sign and write a positive comment about your child’s learning before returning to school as soon as possible.

No Hat, No Play
Just a reminder that the school’s Sun Smart Policy is in place until the 1st May. Students are required to have their hats at school until then.

3N Spelling Bee
Grade 3N held their first Spelling Bee last week. Congratulations to all children for their efforts in learning their words. These are last week’s spelling bee winners:
Pictured right - Jack L, Keeley A, Ashlen R and Jayden W-C.
Grade 4 News

Camp

Students of the week
4T Xion Stevenson – For taking a leadership role in maths this week and getting all his work completed.
4G Abbey Climas - For her wonderful imagination and editing skills during writing.
4M Tahlia Cain - For always coming up with fantastic vocabulary during spelling investigations.

Homework
Homework will come home tomorrow, Friday 22nd April, and should be returned the following Thursday. Students who forget their homework will complete it in homework club held at lunchtime.

ANZAC Day Service Tomorrow
An ANZAC service will be held outside the Peter Davey building facing the oval (weather permitting) on Friday 22nd April 2.30pm. Badges are available for purchase from the office and when student leaders bring them around to classes.

Cross Country
School cross country will be held on Wednesday, 27th April. 2.30pm-3.30pm. In the lead up to this we will be practising each Wednesday and Friday, please ensure students are wearing appropriate footwear and clothing for this. We will continue training after school cross country in readiness for division cross country on Friday, 13th May.

Clothing
As we have been having some chilli mornings and some warm afternoons we have been finding a lot of jumpers without names. Please ensure all items of clothing are named clearly.

Learning Portfolios
Learning Portfolios need to start being returned to school. Please ensure you have signed and written a positive comment in your child’s portfolio before returning it.

Multi-Age Day
Next Thursday (28th April) will be a whole school multi-age day. The day will have a mathematics focus and we look forward to completing a variety of problem solving activities.

Hats off
Sunday, 1st May is hats off day. Students will no longer need to wear hats outside after this date.

Mother’s Day stall
Please continue to send a small gift donation to the office for our mother’s day stall to be held on Friday, 6th May.

Book Fair
Our annual Scholastic Book Fair will run from the 2nd - 6th May. The book fair will be open before and after school for purchases. Your child may bring home a wish list of some of the books they are interested in at the fair.

Middle School Teachers

Upper School News

Grade 5 News

Students of the Week
5K - Holly H for her excellent work with multiples and factors
5O - Hayden S for his persistence in achieving good results as well as always displaying a friendly attitude
5W - Aidan PH for his persistence and effort when converting time in math lessons

Camp Deposit Due Tomorrow
Grade 5 Camp forms and $40 deposit are due tomorrow Friday, 22nd April at 4.00pm. Please ensure that you have made the payment by this date to secure your child a spot for the Phillip Island Adventure Camp. Please do not forget to send back to school the form as well. Thank you.

Learning Portfolios
Learning Portfolios are now OVERDUE. Please ensure that these are returned to school this week.

Homework
Grade 5K and 5W Week 1 Maths homework is due tomorrow Friday 22nd April. Students in these grades should also be half way through their Lit Circles book.
ANZAC Day Ceremony Tomorrow

Our ANZAC Day ceremony will be held tomorrow **Friday 22\(^{nd}\) April** at 2:30pm outside the Peter Davey building facing the oval (weather permitting, otherwise the ceremony will be held in the shed). ANZAC badges are for sale at school over the next 2 weeks for your child to purchase, should they choose to do so. We would love to have as many parents and family members there to commemorate this important event.

Major Excursion

*Grade 5 Sovereign Hill excursion forms were sent home last week. These forms and the $50.00 payment are due by Monday, 6\(^{th}\) June.*

Activities Afternoon – Looking for Gr 5 parents with hobbies/talents

An information sheet for all parents of Grade 5 students was sent home last week in regards to an activities afternoon that we will be holding at school on **Thursday, 19\(^{th}\) May**. If you have a special talent or hobby that you might be able to show a small group of Grade 5 children, whether it be knitting, chinese checkers or teaching how to kick a football, please write a note to one of the Grade 5 teachers explaining what skill/hobby you are able to take and be sure to include your contact information. Activity sessions would only need to run for around 40 minutes, and if you would like, you might even wish to stay and have lunch with your child. We would love to see many parents involved in this afternoon to make it a success. We look forward to hearing from you all!

*There will be no school next Monday, 25\(^{th}\) April due to the ANZAC Day public holiday.*

Grade 6 News

**Students of the Week**

*Congratulations to the following students*

- Ella D J for the effort that she makes with all her learning.
- Riley C for his perseverance with cross country training.
- Jacob O for a great start to his cross country training.

*A lot of information went out last week as it was the beginning of Term 2 so this week will be more about reminders.*

**GRIP Workshop**

Our Grade 6 Student Leaders and House Captains attended the GRIP Leaders’ Conference at the Ulumburra Theatre last Friday. Through games and role plays the students learnt of different ways that they can grow as a leader. They will be presenting selected activities at the whole school and 5/6 assemblies.

**Lit Circles and Homework**

A reminder that homework is to be completed by Thursday each week. Well done to those students who get on to their homework promptly and hand it in early. We are hoping that those students who were not responsible with completing homework last term will be better organised this term.

**ANZAC Day Service Tomorrow**

The Student Leaders will be running the service at school tomorrow, **Friday 22\(^{nd}\) April**, commencing at 2.30pm. An invitation to attend this service is extended to parents and the wider community.

**Mobile Muster**

Please support this campaign to recycle your old phone, chargers etc. to support the saving of the habitat of the chimpanzees and gorillas. The collection box is at the Office. **The collection closes tomorrow, Friday, 22\(^{nd}\) April**

**Year 7 Secondary Applications**

The application for secondary college was sent home earlier in the week. Please return the filled in sheet no later than **Friday, 13\(^{th}\) May**.

**Camp Deposit**

Your child will have shown you a written reminder in their diary for the Grade 6 camp deposit. The non-refundable $40.00 deposit is due by 4.00pm **Friday 29\(^{th}\) April** for your child to secure a place at the camp. Costs are kept to a minimum for this fun filled camp with activities including professional instruction in body boarding and a full day at the Geelong Water Park. Payments can be made on QKR or sent to the Office in an envelope. **(Please note that CSEF will not cover the cost of camp deposits).**

_Upper School Teachers_
**Cross Country**
The school cross country is fast approaching on **Wednesday, 27th April** at 2.30pm will see the running of this event. A reminder that there will be a parent fun/walk run in the middle of this event. Please feel free to either attend or participate in this event. The students love the atmosphere that parents help to create in our finish line. The division cross country will be held on **Friday, 13th May** at the Epsom Race Course.

**District Athletics**
District Athletics notes go home today. The event is on **Friday, 6th May**. If your students have been selected in this event they will receive a notice. The timetable for this event is on the PE notice board in the main building.

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**Safe Parking Around Schools**

Parking and Animal Services from the City of Greater Bendigo have contacted our school and requested that the following information be conveyed to our school community.

The illegal parking of vehicles adjacent to our school poses a safety concern to children, pedestrians and other road users. Parents are reminded that it is essential to comply with parking restrictions when dropping off and collecting children from school.

Motorists must not stop in no stopping areas, even briefly, with or without the motor running. They must not stop next to a continuous yellow edge line, on nature strips, too close to school crossings, park over driveways or double park. A number of schools have short term time restricted areas, such as 2 minute pick up drop off. These parking areas are in place to allow for ease of access close to schools and these restrictions must be adhered to. Drivers should also be aware that they cannot perform a U-turn over an unbroken or continuous dividing line.

With regard to children’s crossings, the law requires that a driver approaching a children’s crossing must drive at a speed at which the driver can, if necessary stop safely before the crossing. Please slow down and take extra care when driving in school zones.

City of Greater Bendigo Parking Officers and Bendigo Police do conduct random patrols throughout the school year at various locations to ensure that motorists are adhering to the Road Rules.