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: Monday 11th July - Friday 16th September

Week 26
Friday 19th August
Gr 2&3 Jets Gym
Friday 19th August
Gr5 Science@ Weeroona 9.10am-12.15pm
Friday 19th August
Gr 6 Transition Visit – Eaglehawk SC

Week 27
Monday 22nd August
Grade 4 Bike Ed
Monday 22nd August
Prep/Gr 1 Jets Gym
Mon 22nd – Fri 26th August
Book Week
Tuesday 23rd August
Gr 4, 5 & 6 Jets Gym
Tuesday 23rd August
Grade 4 Bike Ed

Week 28
Mon 29th – Friday 2nd Sept
Friday 30th August
Literacy & Numeracy Week
Tuesday 30th August
Grade 4 Bike Ed
Wednesday 30th August
Grade 4 Bike Ed
Friday 2nd September
Gr 4, 5 & 6 Jets Gym
Friday 2nd September
Father’s/Special Person Breaky 7.30am
Monday 5th September
Prep/Gr 1 Jets Gym
Monday 5th September
Grade 4 Bike Ed
Monday 5th September
Grade 1 Excursion Payment Due 4pm
Tuesday 6th September
Gr 4, 5 & 6 Jets Gym
Wednesday 7th September
WCB Football/Netball Day
Thursday 8th September
Gr 1 Excursion to Ulumbra Theatre
Friday 9th September
Payment Due for Little Mermaid 4.00pm
Monday 12th September
Prep/Gr 1 Jets Gym
Tuesday 13th September
P-6 Little Mermaid Performance
Wednesday 14th September
Gr 3&4 Camp Final Payment Due 4pm
Friday 16th September
Gr 2&3 Jets Gym
Friday 16th September
Canteen & Uniform Shop Closed
Friday 16th September
Last Day of Term 3 – 2.30pm dismissal

Term 4: Monday 3rd October – Wednesday 21st December

Wed 5th – Fri 7th October
Gr 3 Camp
Monday 10th October
Head Lice Check 9.30am after assembly
Monday 10th October
Prep Swimming
Tuesday 11th October
Prep Swimming
Thursday 13th October
Prep Swimming
Monday 17th October
Head Lice follow up check 9.30am
Monday 17th October
Prep Incursion- The Zoo Comes to You
Wednesday 19th October
Prep Swimming
Thursday 20th October
Pupil Free Day
Friday 21st October
Gr 3 Central Goldmine Major Excursion
Tuesday 25th October
Bendigo Cup Day Holiday
Wednesday 26th October
Gr 1/2 Swimming
Monday 31st October
Gr 1/2 Swimming
Tuesday 1st November
Gr 1/2 Swimming
Wednesday 2nd November
Gr 1/2 Swimming
Thursday 3rd November
Music Count Us In 11.00am
Friday 4th November
Gr 1/2 Swimming
EBT Pizza Day Fundraiser Thank You

Thanks to the students and staff who supported our fundraiser. We appreciate Epsom Woolworths and Eagle Boys Pizza for their discounts and the parents who assisted with the preparation on the day.

Mrs Price & Mr Byron

Student Banking

Phasing out of the Commonwealth Student Banking System

As previously advertised in 2016 Newsletters the WHPS School Council has approved the phasing out of the Commonwealth Student Banking Program.

Therefore the school will not be taking on any new Commonwealth Bank Accounts as part of our student banking program.

We will gradually phase out this provider in 2017. We now encourage students to be involved in our student banking program through the Bendigo Bank. Our local Bendigo Bank branch support the school in a variety of ways, including the School Fair and the bank will be present at our Fair on Friday 4th November to assist interested students.

“Piggy Bank” application forms are available at the school office. Please return these to White Hills Bendigo Bank Branch for processing. Children with existing Bendigo Bank Accounts are also welcome to use this service. Please bring Birth Certificate and Medicare Card of child along with parent’s driver’s licence for identification purposes.

Catch the savings bug

Bendigo Student Banking

Whether it’s for the latest craze in computer games, for a new bike or just for a rainy day, we all know it’s never too early for our kids to start learning about budgeting and saving.

That’s why at Bendigo Bank we’ve introduced our Student Banking Program and Bendigo Piggy Saver Account – perfect for primary school aged savers. Post your deposits into the Payment Post Box at the school office every Tuesday before 9.00am. Every 5th deposit gets a REWARD GIFT from Piggy.

Father’s and Special Person’s Breakfast

Date, Wednesday 31st August

Where, White Hills Primary School

Time, from 7.30am–8.30am

(Free to go from 8.00am if needed)

Menu, Cereal, toast, yoghurt and fruit

(Tea, coffee and juice will be available)

We look forward to seeing you there.
Congratulations to our
Birthday children

Parent Club News

**Fathers/Special Person Day Stall: Friday, 2nd September**
Father’s Day is fast approaching and we are seeking donations. All families are asked to please donate a gift to the value of $2.00 per child, and drop them into the office ready for our stall. Some gift ideas could be: chocolates, socks, hankies, pens, notepads, mugs, tools, plants/gardening, fishing tackle, sporting goods, car accessories, toiletries and novelties, etc. **Items must be new.** Please note that all gifts will be sold at $2.00. **If you are able to help on the day of the stall, please contact the office.**

**Next Meeting**
Our next meeting will be held **Monday 5th September** 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. Please note that we don’t permit you to sell drinks of any kind. Leave your contact details at the office. Please supply your own tables on the day.

**Cadbury Chocolate Fundraiser Overdue**
All money and unsold chocolates are now overdue and **MUST be returned to school by tomorrow, so that we can finalise this fundraiser.** Payment can be made to the office or via QKR.

**Letters have gone out to families this week**

*All money raised will go toward the school grounds upgrade. Thank you for your continued support.*

Parent Club / Fundraising Committee

Junior School News

**Prep News**

**Pupils of the Week**
*Congratulations to Zane S, Chase E, Riley B, Sophie Mc and Levi R, our ‘Prep Pupils of the Week’ for this week.* These Preps are becoming confident and persistent in completing class activities. Well done!

**Prep Gym**
We had a great time at our first gym session learning lots of new gymnastic skills. The Prep children will continue at Jet’s Gym on **Monday, 22nd August, 5th and 12th September.** Can girls please have their hair tied back on these days? Please no dresses. If possible can children wear shoes without laces.

**Hint For The Week**
Read and write yourself at home. Let your child see that you value these activities.

**PMP**
As the Preps will be at Gym on Mondays, **PMP will not be held for the rest of Term 3.**
Grade 1 News

Students of the Week
1P – Luke for his enthusiasm towards multi-age day and his kindness towards others.
1CK – Blake for his honesty and following instructions carefully.
1D – Mitchell for his excellent procedure on how to make fairy bread.
1M – Deon for using great problem solving strategies in maths.

Excursion
Please continue to return notes to school for our Snugglepot and Cuddlepie excursion. We are really looking forward to this and have begun reading about their adventures! See your child’s classroom teacher if you need more information.

Multi-Age Day
We all had a fabulous day last Thursday and some very tired students by the end of the day! It was great to see so many students dressed in their countries colours.

Jets Gym
Our gym program began on Monday. Some changes may be made to recess and lunch times on Mondays to work around our gym sessions.

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 – Isabeau A for always working hard in class and doing it with a smile on her face.
2H – Claire B for her improved behaviour in the yard.
2B – Liam C for being a friendly and helpful class member.
2F – Kobie N for working hard with his writing.

School Supplies
Please ask your child if any of their stationary needs to be replaced as we are finding that many students are missing or have run out of items such as glue sticks, whiteboard markers and rulers. These items are essential for many of the learning activities at school so please replace them if required.

Junior School Teachers

Grade 3 News

Students of the Week
3N - Teagan T for making Mr Dyett’s week in the class enjoyable.
3CT - Jessica for her beautiful handwriting.
3RD - Eliza N for working through problems in a logical way and being resilient.
3B - Jasmine D for being a resilient class member.

Multi-Age Day
We all had a fabulous day last Thursday and it was great to see all the students and teachers dressed in their country colours. The student’s behaviour and enthusiasm on the day was exceptional.

Virtual Authors Project
On Monday 22nd August (3RD and 3B) and on Friday 25th (3N and 3CT), we will be connecting with other schools and authors Alison Lester and Tony Wilson via video link to discuss their picture story books ‘My Dog Bigsy’ and ‘The Cow Tripped Over the Moon.’ We are all very excited and looking forward to this activity.

Camp Payments
Camp payments can be made to the office 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
There are still a number of portfolios that have not been returned to school. We have already begun placing in work samples from this term. If you still have one at home, please return it as soon as possible.

Jets Gym
Grade 3 students will start Gym tomorrow Friday 19th August, and continue on 2nd, 9th and 16th of September.
Grade 4 News

Students of the Week
4G - Hannah C for the dedication to her learning and always seeking ways to extend her understanding.
4M - Jemma N for being a helpful and caring class member.
4T - Ryan H for sharing his wonderful Maths thinking and trying challenging things.

Super Scientist
This week as part of our inquiry lessons the students are beginning to design their own experiment. In the coming weeks they will be coming home with a list of materials they need to conduct their experiment. All experiments will be conducted at school so students can see the results and write them up. Thanks for your support with this activity.

Jets Gym
Jets Gym started this week and the students have revisited and learnt many different gym skills that will help improve their upper body and core strength. We may have some Olympic champions in the making!!

Bike Ed
Bike Ed continued for the 3rd week. Students continue to show improvement in the skills they have been taught. This week was a rotation of activities including a chance to ride on the road with supervision. The activities your child has been practicing include… Slow riding, braking, turning, weaving, scanning and signalling, partner riding and scooting. It is important they continue to practise these skills at any opportunity so they become confident, skilled riders ready for camp next term. Next week will see the last of the rotations before our ride to the Botanical gardens the following week.

Bike Ed Helpers
A MASSIVE THANK YOU to all the parent helpers we have had over the last few weeks, very much appreciated as we wouldn’t be able to do many of the rotations without them. If you are available on a Tuesday at 12:30 we could use a few more helpers to assist the students. We will also be looking for helpers to ride/walk to the Botanical Gardens….more info to follow.

Camp
Not long to go now…….Medical Notes, Camp Agreements and Payment reminder notes (all bright yellow) were sent home last Monday (8th August) please return these as soon as possible and continue to make regular payments as per our camp policy if full payment is not made 2 weeks prior (Tuesday 13th September 4.00pm) your child will not be able to attend.

Other Reminders
Learning Portfolios need to be returned, we appreciate a positive comment about your child’s work. Continue to support your child to read on a regular basis, complete their reading journal and homework.

Middle School Teachers

Upper School News

Grade 5 News

Students of the Week
5K - Ebony W for helping others in the classroom.
5O - Heaven for his fantastic work on his information report.
5W - Siobhan A for her excellent information brochure on Thailand.

Camp
Students have recently written camp repayment reminders in their diaries. Please ensure that you check to see what you have left owing and continue to make regular payments over the term. Thank you.
Science Week
This week we venture to Weeroona College for Science Week. Our first session was Tuesday and our last session will be tomorrow, Friday. Thank you to those parents who offered to help out for those sessions and walk to the college with our group.

Gym
Gym sessions for Grade 5 students started on Tuesday. These sessions will continue each Tuesday until the end of term. Please ensure that your child isn’t wearing any jewellery on these days, and that their hair is tied back. This will ensure that they can participate fully in each activity.

Integrated Projects
Integrated projects were given out last week. A copy will be pasted in your child’s diary. This work will predominantly be done in class time; however there may be time where your child will need to complete a good copy of the tasks at home. Please speak with your child’s classroom teacher if you have any questions.

Father’s / Special Person Day Stall
A note was sent home last week to each family kindly asking for you all to donate an item to the value of $2.00 to the Father’s Day/Special Person stall on Friday, 2nd September. Any donated goods can be left at the office. Thank you in advance.

Grade 6 News
Students of the Week
6B- Coupe M for achieving his attendance goal this term.
6G- Riley B for demonstrating excellent leadership skills and initiative on Multi-Age day.
6P- Liam M for making an improved effort in the classroom to ensure excellent results.

Homework
This week’s homework will be an ICT task and was handed out today. This is expected to be submitted by next Thursday, 25th August. We appreciate parents’ continuing to support and emphasise the importance of adhering to a regular homework routine.

Writer’s Festival
Last Friday, 12th August, 16 Grade 6 students, along with Mrs Price attended the annual Bendigo Writers Festival at the Capital Theatre. They got to listen to some authors talk about their books and what inspired them to write what they do. The students got the opportunity to listen to Judith Russell, an illustrator who showed them how to draw pictures using just two simple shapes. It was a fantastic opportunity for students to listen to a range of authors, poets and illustrators talk about their love of reading and writing.

Eaglehawk Secondary College Transition Activity
All Grade 6 students will be attending a transition activity at Eaglehawk Secondary College on Friday, 19th August. We will be picked up by bus at 9am and returning to school by recess. This is an excellent opportunity for those students who are attending ESC, as well as for all our grade 6 students to see how a secondary school operates.

Multi-Age Day
A huge congratulations to all our Grade 6 students who participated in the Olympics Multi-Age Day last Thursday. All of our students demonstrated excellent leadership qualities and lead the younger students throughout the day tremendously.

Upper School Teachers

After School Care Program

THEME – This week’s theme was Wild Animals, which was suggested by Blair. Some great activities have been completed.

FAB LEGEND – The Fab Legend this week was Tayden, a fantastic effort.

THINKING ABOUT ENROLLING IN OSHC? - We always encourage families to drop into OSHC and have a look to see what fun we get up to. In After School Care our children are always kept busy with indoor activities from art and craft to construction and we get outside for ball games and playground time. We also have Fruit snack and second snack. Come and have a chat with our friendly staff for more information.

After School Care Team: Jamie, Ellish, 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
**SICKBAY ROSTER**
Friday 19 August  Kate Duncan
Friday 26 August  Michelle Christian

Please collect from the office at the end of the day

**NEWSLETTER ROSTER**
Thursday 25 August  Sherryn Taylor
Thursday 01 September  Kelly Adcock

Please collect from the office at the end of the day

**UNIFORM SHOP**
Friday 19 August  Heather Veitch
Tuesday 23 August  Jody Austin
Friday 26 August  Kelly Adcock

Opening Times 2016
Tuesday 3.30pm – 4.00pm and Friday 3.30pm-4.00pm
Kim Engi, Terri Massese & Deb Button

**CANTEEN ROSTER**
Friday 19 August  Dianne Egan
Fiona Robinson
Heather Veitch
Wednesday 24 August  Catherine Hester
Carolyn Wilson
Friday 26 August  Katie McEwan
Kelly Adcock
Brent Munro

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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**Music & Drama Lessons**
We still have vacancies at the WHPS in the following:
♫ Piano and keyboards, ♫ Violin, Viola & Cello, ♫ Saxophone, Clarinet, Flute & Brass,
♫ Singing and Vocals , ♫ Electric, Acoustic & Bass Guitar, ♫ Ukulele & Banjo, ♫ Drums and Percussion, ♫ Drama Classes
For enquiries & bookings, please contact Drew - Ph. 0407 502 438
drewthorpemusic@gmail.com
Facebook page: Drew Thorpe Music

**Bendigo Chaplaincy Annual Dinner**
Bendigo Chaplaincy Committee invites you to meet and support your school’s Chaplain at the Annual Dinner on Monday 29th August at 6.00pm.
Venue: White Hills Wellington Hotel (formerly The Botanical)
Purchase your meal from 6pm. $10 booking/donation required by Sunday 21st August. Inquiries: 5442 1732; 5448 3912.
Cheque to: Bendigo Chaplaincy Committee, PO Box 663 Bendigo 3552, OR Direct Payment to:
Bank: Commonwealth, Bendigo Chaplaincy Committee, BSB 063 ACC 00904385 Ref: Your Name/Dinner.
Guest speaker: Bruce Claridge, Sports Chaplain. Panel with school chaplains.
Silent auction prior to 29th......for a chalet apartment for 5 at Mount Hotham, for two nights plus extras. Value $850.

**Bendigo Academy of Sport Volleyball Development Squad 2016-2017 Trials**
Strongly supported by the Bendigo Volleyball Association
Sunday 28th August 2016, 5.45pm – 7.30pm at the Bendigo Stadium Crt 7 for Boys and Girls aged 12-16
Successful candidates will be offered a nine month Academy Program beginning in October, which includes physical, skill and tournament sessions.
Training sessions are conducted on Sundays 4.00pm-6.00pm at the Bendigo Stadium
Players must be 17 years or under as at 31st Dec 2016 and must be 12 years old as of 1st Sep 2016

CONTACT DETAILS
Graham Gordon Ph: 03 5444 7700
www.bbas.org.au

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**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