

White Hills Weekly

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Week 31
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Jeudi 6 Octobre

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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.

Calendar of Events

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

Week 31

Wed 5th – Fri 7th October **Gr 3 & 4 Camps**

Week 32

Saturday 8th October Casey HPV Race
Monday 10th October Chinese Students Arrive today
Monday 10th October **Head Lice Check 9.30am after assembly**
Monday 10th October **Prep Swimming**
Tuesday 11th October **Gr 6 Parent H&HR Session Form Due**
Tuesday 11th October **Prep Swimming**
Tuesday 11th October **Gr 3 Town Walk Payment Due 4.00pm**
Wednesday 12th October **Prep Incursion Due 4.00pm**
Thursday 13th October **Prep Swimming**
Thursday 13th October **Gr 4 CERES payment due by 4.00pm**
Thursday 13th October **Gr 6 Parent H&HR Session**

Week 33

Monday 17th October Head Lice follow up check 9.30am
Monday 17th October **Prep Incursion- The Zoo Comes to You**
Tuesday 18th October **Gr4 CERES Major Exc Melbourne**
Wednesday 19th October **Prep Swimming**
Wednesday 19th October **Gr 1/2 Sports Day**
Wednesday 19th October **Gr 6 H&HR Session**
Thursday 20th October **Pupil Free Day**
Friday 21st October **Prep Swimming**
Friday 21st October **School Fair Raffle Tickets & Donations Due 4.00pm**

Week 34

Tuesday 25th October **Gr 3 Bendigo Town Walk**
Wednesday 26th October **Gr 1-2 Swimming Payment due**
Wednesday 26th October **Bendigo Cup Day Holiday**

Week 35

Monday 31st October **Gr 1/2 Swimming**
Tuesday 1st November **Gr 1/2 Swimming**
Wednesday 2nd November **Gr 1/2 Swimming**
Wednesday 2nd November **Gr 6 H&HR Session**
Thursday 3rd November **Gr 1/2 Swimming**
Thursday 3rd November **Music Count Us In 11.00am**
Friday 4th November **Gr 1/2 Swimming**
Friday 4th November **School Fair**

Week 36

Tuesday 8th November **Prep Familiarisation Day 9.45 – 11.45am**
Wednesday 9th November **Prep Familiarisation Day 9.45 – 11.45am**
Wednesday 9th November **Gr 6 Camp Payment due 4.00pm**
Wednesday 9th November **Gr 6 H&HR Session**

Week 37

Mon 14th – Fri 18th Nov **Book Fair Round 2**
Thurs 17th – Sat 19th Nov **Energy Breakthrough Maryborough**

Week 38

Tuesday 22nd November **Prep Familiarisation Day 9.45 – 11.45am**
Tuesday 22nd November **Gr 5 Camp Payment due today 4.00pm**
Wednesday 23rd November **Prep Familiarisation Day 9.45 – 11.45am**
Wed 23rd – Fri 25th Nov **Gr 6 Camp**
Tuesday 6th December **Orientation Day**
Wed 7th – Fri 9th December **Gr 5 Camp**
Wednesday 14th December **Carols/Presentation Night**

Principal's News

Thank You

Thanks to the donations from the out of uniform day on the last day of Term 3 we have donated \$495 to support the State Schools Relief Fund.

Chinese Students arrive next Week

Next **Monday 10th October**, we will welcome... *Becky Cherry, Matthew, Suri and Elaine.*

Students will stay with White Hills PS host families for 8 weeks and will attend school each day with their Aussie buddies. We thank the *McDonald, Childs, Franklin, Filbey, Parsons, Kempster, Bourke, Worme and Costigan* families for welcoming these students into their home.

Thank you also to *Julie & Peter* who will be hosting our Chinese Teacher... *Rylee.*

Headlice Checks

Our next headlice checks will take place next **Monday 10th October** 9.30am after assembly. We thank parents in advance for their understanding if students need to be collected from school for treatment next Monday.

School Payment Policies

A reminder to parents about our Camps and Excursions payment policies, as is clearly stated within these policies payments are due 2 weeks prior to a camp and 2 school days prior to a performance or excursion. Many reminders are provided and we appreciate parents working hard to have payments finalised by the due date.

New Playground

As part of our ongoing ground works the school have engaged Imagination Play to build a new playground next to the new shed. This new playground should be installed shortly. The opportunity to develop this playground is the direct result of the fantastic fundraising that is conducted from within the school community (Including the upcoming Fair).

Walk to School in October

Our school is participating in Vic Health's Walk to School program, a month long activity that encourages children to walk, ride or scoot to and from school every day. Visit www.walktoschool.vic.gov.au for further information.

Uniform

Parents please check the name labels on your children's clothing; the lost property box is full.

Scott Ross
Acting Principal

Five Ways To Survive Your Child's Teenage Years

*Remember what it was like when you were a teenager. Allow your child to make mistakes and grow. *You can't fight over every little thing they do, so pick your battles. *Give them space. A little time alone can be a blessing in disguise for your child. *Remain aware. Know what your child is watching, reading and looking at online. * You're the boss. Set rules. Have a curfew for your child and stick to it.

Prep Familiarisation Days

Our first Prep Familiarisation Days for children commencing school in 2017 will be held on **Tuesday, 8th November** and **Wednesday, 9th November** from 9.45am to 11.45am. These visits will consist of stories, making activities and play sessions both inside the classrooms and in the outside play area. Children will be allocated **one** of these days to attend school so they can spend some time practising being Preps in readiness for next year. Remember to bring a hat because if the weather is fine we will be spending some time outside.

Our second Familiarisation Days will be held on **Tuesday, 22nd November** and **Wednesday, 23rd November**, from 9.45am to 11.45am. Notices with full details of our first Familiarisation Day will be distributed in Pre-schools or sent to parents by the start of next term. If you do not receive a note please contact Jan Ellis.

We ask that your child attends school on the allocated Familiarisation Day they receive, as children enrolled at White Hills Primary, will attend in smaller groups over the two days to help them feel comfortable in their new school environment. Please do not change your day to another session as this results in an imbalance of student numbers.

Parent Club News

Next Meeting

Our next General Meeting will be held **Monday 7th November** in the staffroom after assembly.

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.

Wanted

We are seeking a volunteer face painter for our fair, someone starting out or a semi-professional. Please contact a parent club member or leave your details and a description of your capabilities at the school office.

Raffle Tickets

Raffle books for the school fair raffle have been sent home last term. They are due back on Friday 21st October 4.00pm.

Grade Donations Required

A school donations flyer will be sent home this Friday with your child. *Please look out for this information.*

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.

Thank you to the following Sponsors of our 2016 School Fair

@Home, Allara Motor Lodge, Anytime Fitness, Apco, Balgownie Estate Winery, Beechworth Bakery, Bendigo Heritage Attractions (Central Deborah Gold Mines, Bendigo Tramways and Bendigo Joss House Temple), Bendigo Art Gallery, Bendigo Bank White Hills, Bendigo Central Pharmacy, Bendigo Dyno Tuning, Bendigo Food Store, Bendigo Mower Service, Bendigo Pottery, Bendigo U.F.S Pharmacy, Body Shop, Cake Walk, Chef's Toolbox, Clark Rubber, Cute and Cosy, De'Lish Cafe, Discovery Centre, Doctor On The Way, Domino's, Eaglehawk U.F.S Pharmacy, Epsom Cafe, Epsom Dental, Falcon's Basketball Club, Games World, Get Wrapped, Golden Dragon Museum, High on Pastry, Hip Pocket, J's Music, Jamerry, Kmart, Kyani, Marong Garage, Mary Kaye, McDonald's, Mr. Good Times, Mulligrubs, My Hair, Newmarket Bakery, North Bendigo Junior Football Club, Nutrametics, Premix King, Ray's Tent City, Rebel Sport, Repco, Reservoir Hotel, Rising Sun, Scentsy, Skin Ski and Surf, Small Things by Jess, Sportpower, Sports Co., Spotlight, Strath Village Flowers, Strath Village IGA, Subway Epsom, The Lakeview Hotel, The Light Switch, The Wellington at Botanical Gardens, The Zone, Total Tools, Toyworld, Tyrepower, White Hills Butcher, White Hills Primary Pool, Your Inspiration at Home,

First Aid

First Aid

Spring has sprung and so has hay fever. We have already had several cases of hay fever at the school with children coming to the sick bay with swollen, red eyes.

Some of the symptoms include:

- sneezing
- a runny or stuffy nose
- itchy ears, nose and throat
- red, itchy or watery eyes
- headaches

In some cases, the symptoms of hay fever can be so severe that a person can't sleep or concentrate, and may feel tired or unwell.

If your child suffers from hay fever, please bring some Antihistamine to the school, clearly labelled with your child's name, grade and dosage required. A permission note should also be attached. All medication is to be handed in to the office, NOT kept in school bags.

Please let us know if your child has already had their medicine that morning.

Sabina RJordan
First Aid Coordinator



Congratulations to our Birthday children

Junior School News

Prep News

Prep 'INSECT-A-MANIA' Mini Beasts Incursion

On **Monday, 17th October**, Wild Action Productions will be bringing their 'Insect-A-Mania' Mini beast workshop to WHPS. The workshop is a safe, hands-on wildlife experience for Prep students only. Each grade will attend the workshop for an hour session. The cost of the session is \$11.00 per child. Payment is to be made to the office or on Qkr before 4.00pm **Wednesday, 12th October**.

NB: If you have applied and qualify for the Camps, Sport & Excursions Fund (CSEF), the cost of this incursion may be covered in full. Please check with the office if unsure.

A note with further details was sent home last term.

Prep Swimming Program

The Prep swimming program will be held on the **10th, 11th, 13th, 19th and 21st October**, at the Eaglehawk Leisure Centre, YMCA indoor heated pool. The program will consist of five 40 minute sessions based on the development of swimming and water safety skills and will be overseen by Aust Swim trained instructors. Students will work in graded ability groups to enable all skill levels to be specifically targeted. Payment was due yesterday.

No late payments will be accepted in accordance with WHPS policy.

Grade 1 News

Swimming

Swimming takes place for all students from **Monday 31st October** until **Friday 4th November**.

Grade 2 News

Learning Portfolios

Just a reminder to please ensure all learning portfolios are bought back to school as soon as possible. Classroom teachers need them back to start organising term 4 items to showcase.

Integrated topic

Grade 2 – Australia Diversity and Tolerance

This term grade 2 students will be learning about Australia. The topics change each term, this is to ensure students are exposed to a variety of topics throughout their schooling. The grade 2 topic will look closely at the features of Australia, the different cultures we have living here and comparing and contrasting living in different parts of Australia.

Spelling and maths homework

As you have probably noticed, homework is alternating between spelling words and maths sheets aligned with the topics taught at school. Please ensure that your child is completing their homework each night and handing it in every week on their classes chosen day. All Grade 2 students return their homework books on a Monday morning.

School Fair donations

To help with the organisation of our school fair, the fair committee are seeking donations from every grade level. Grade 2 families have been asked to donate lolly bags by Friday 21st October. Please bring your donations to your child's classroom teacher in the coming weeks.

Swimming notes

Parents you received a note this week outlining the details for the Grade 1/2 swimming program starting Monday 31st October and continuing through to Friday 4th November 2016. The permission and swimming assessment forms need to be returned to your child's classroom teacher as soon as possible. Payment must be made by 4pm, Wednesday 26th October as per the White Hills Primary School Excursion Policy the cost is \$53 if you haven't already pre-paid.

Grade 2 Sleepover

Just a reminder that the date of our sleepover is **Thursday 15th December**. More details to come.

Junior School Teachers

Middle School News

Grade 3 News

Camp

We are all having a wonderful time at camp. Estimated time due back to school tomorrow is 3.00pm

Grade 4 News

Camp

Our camp experience is going so fast, we are having a lot of fun. Estimated time due back to school tomorrow is 3.45pm

Excursion Tuesday 18th October- CERES Melbourne

Payment is **Thursday 13th October**. This excursion ties in with our Term 4 environment topic.

Middle School Teachers

Upper School News

Grade 5 News

Welcome back

We hope you all enjoyed the Term 3 break, and that you kept safe during our wild weather.

Hats on Term 4

Remember that hats are expected to be worn at school all this term. Broad brimmed hats must be clearly named. There is to be no borrowing of hats between children. Students without hats will need to sit under our shady hat tree at recess, lunchtimes and sport times if they do not have a broad brimmed hat.

Learning Portfolios

Learning Portfolios are all due back this week. Please ensure that they are back in the classroom before Friday. Thank you in advance.

Camp

Grade 5 Camp **payments** are due on **Tuesday 22nd November**. Please ensure that you are keeping up to date with payments each week or fortnight leading up to this date. Please see the ladies at the office for an up to date balance.

Grade 5 Camp **medical forms** were sent home on Monday. These are due back to your child's teacher no later than **Tuesday, 18th October**. Please ensure they are back by this date, so that we can finalise camp activities and dietary requirements. Thank you.

Chinese Students

Our sister school exchange students from Jinji Lake will be arriving at our school next **Monday, 10th October**. If you see our Chinese students around the school or socially outside of school, please make them feel very welcome.

Homework

Homework for Grade 5 students is due this Friday, 7th October. Students were handed their new homework sheet on Monday. As usual, your child will need to see their teacher with any questions about the homework at least 2 days before it is due. There are also some new diary notes in your child's diary, so please be sure to read through these together at home.

Good luck to our Energy Breakthrough students who are racing at Casey this weekend!

Grade 6 News

Health and Human Relations Sessions

As part of the Australian curriculum, Grade 6 students are required to participate in health and human development sessions. These sessions will go for one hour and be conducted by Leona Evans, our school nurse who has had many years' experience in delivering these sessions to Grade 6 students. These sessions will take place on **Wednesday, 19th October, Wednesday, 2nd November and Wednesday, 9th November.**

Health and Human Relations Parent Information Session

On **Thursday, 13th October** Leona Evans, our school nurse will hold a parent information session in the Grade 6 rooms about what information and topics she will cover in the upcoming Health and Human Relations sessions. If parents wish to attend this session, please fill in the form given to your child indicating your attendance by **Tuesday, 11th October.**

Camp

As parents are aware, our school camp is taking place from **Wednesday 23rd-25th November** at Burnside Camp in Anglesea. Although this is still a while away, we encourage parents and families to make regular payments to avoid paying a large sum by the due date. The final balance is due on **Wednesday 9th November by 4.00pm.**

After School Care Program

Welcome Back For Term 4

A big welcome back to all our OSHC children and families for Week One of Term 4. Hope you all had a great holiday and are excited for the last term of the year.

Hat Term

Just a reminder we need to be wearing our hats in OSHC for this Term otherwise no outside play. If parents would like to leave a second hat at OSHC you may.

Our Theme of the Week

Our Theme of the Week for first week back is Anything Week. Being first week back we have chosen the Theme Anything to allow the children to ease back in and reflect through their own Art and Craft designs about their Holiday fun.

Fab Legend of the Week

Our first Fab Legend of the Week for Term One is Chase. Chase is always really involved in both indoor and outdoor activities and is very kind towards other children and staff. Congratulations Chase.

Considering OSHC for your Child?

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, 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

UNIFORM SHOP

Friday 7 October **Heather Veitch**
Tuesday 11 October **Jody Austin**
Friday 14 October **Tammie Bourke**

Changed Price List A new price list will take place at the start of Term 4. Due to supply increases, some items have gone up \$1 or \$2.

Opening Times 2016

Tuesday 3.30pm – 4.00pm and Friday 3.30pm-4.00pm

Kim Engl, Terri Massese & Deb Button

SICKBAY ROSTER

Friday 7 October **Rebecca Kempster**
Friday 14 October **Catherine Hester**

Please collect from the office at the end of the day

NEWSLETTER ROSTER

Thursday 13 October **Kate Duncan**
Thursday 20 October **Kate Nichols**

Please collect from the office at the end of the day

CANTEEN ROSTER

Friday 7 October **Kelly Adcock**
 Heather Veitch
 Sam Franklin
Wednesday 12 October **Megan Darcy**
 Fiona Grant
Friday 14 October **Tammie Bourke**
 Dianne Egan
 Katie McEwen

Helpers Wanted We are in urgent need of more helpers for our Term 4 rosters. Please contact us if you can help.

Please note that there is no honeycomb milk available, vanilla is now available in its place.

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

Community News

Tribute To The Masters

A eulogy to legends recently passed

This year the band will pay tribute to many great entertainers who have recently passed away by presenting music from their lives. Come and enjoy music from Lawrence of Arabia, The Easybeats, David Bowie, Prince, M*A*S*H, Harry Potter and many more. Learn more of the lives of some of our greatest entertainers, and laugh along with special guest artists as we remember those who have enriched our lives with their talents.

Concert Details are:

Date: **Sunday 9th October.** Commencing 2.00pm.

Venue: The Capital, View St Bendigo.

Tickets: \$15.00 each available at the Capital Box Office (5434 6100), online at www.thecapital.com.au, or at the door although booking is recommended to avoid missing out!

Girls 5-a-side Soccer

Under 6's to 16's

Cost \$25.00 per player

Saturday mornings 9.00am to 12.00noon

Venue Spring Gully United Soccer Club

From 22 October to 26 November

And

Women's Rock-up-and Play

After the young ones finish playing, join our Women's Rock-up-and Play. Bring sneakers, rock up and play!

Register www.trybooking.com

More info www.facebook.com/BASLgirlssoccer