



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 2017: Monday 9 October – Friday 22 December

Week 34

Thursday 2 November

Friday 3 November

Gr 6 Camp payment due 4.00pm

Prep Swimming

Gr 3 Town Walk 9.00am – 4.00pm

Week 35

Wednesday 8 November

Thursday 9 November

P&F Meeting 9.10am in staffroom

Gr 2 Sleepover

EBT Pizza Orders Due today

Gr 5 Tennis 9.00am-12.30pm

Friday 10 November

Week 36

Monday 13 November

Prep Familiarisation Day 9.45-11.45am

EBT Pizza Day

Prep Tea Payment Due 4.00pm

Prep Familiarisation Day 9.45-11.45am

Gr 6 Camp

Tuesday 14 November

Wed 15 - Fri 17 Nov

Wednesday 15 November

Thursday 16 November

Friday 17 November

Christmas Raffle Books to families

Prep Tea 5.00-7.00pm

2018 Gr 1-6 Book Packs go out

Week 37

Mon 13 – Fri 17 Nov

Monday 20 November

Wednesday 22 November

Thursday 23 November

Book Fair

Gr 4 Botanical Garden Walk 2.30-3.30

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Gr 1 Tea Payment due 4.00pm

Parent H&H Gr 6 Session 5.00-5.30pm

Energy Breakthrough Experience @

Maryborough

Thurs 23 – Sat 25 Nov

Week 38

Monday 27 November

Tuesday 28 November

Prep Familiarisation Day 9.30-11.45am

1st Group Prep Book Packs go out

Prep Familiarisation Day 9.30-11.45am

2nd Group Prep Book Packs go out

Gr 5 Camp Payment due 4.00pm

Wednesday 29 November

Gr 6 H&H Session

Thursday 30 November

Friday 3 November

Thursday 7 September

Friday 8 December

Tuesday 12 December

Gr 1 Tea 5.00-7.30pm

Gr 5 Camp Medical Notes due today

Gr 6 H&H Session

2018 Gr 1-6 Book Packs due

Orientation Day

2018 Preps 10.30am – 1.30pm

2018 Gr 1-5 11.30am – 1.30pm

Gr 6 H&H Session

Gr 5 Phillip Island Camp

Christmas Raffle Books due

Gr 5/6 Pool Party

Wednesday 13 December

Wed 13- Fri 15 Dec

Friday 15 December

Tuesday 19 December

Wednesday 20 December

Gr 5 Celebration Day

Carols / Presentation Night

Christmas Raffle Books drawn tonight

Gr 6 Graduation Night

Thursday 21 December

Friday 22 December

Last Day Term 4, 1.30pm Dismissal

Term 1 2018: Monday 29 January – Thursday 29 March

Principal's News

Possible Uniform Change

Thanks to the parents who took the time to make a comment about the possible replacement of the current school dress with the new design. After considering the parents comments, School Council have decided not to endorse the change to the new dress.

Let Us Know If You Are Moving

If your child / children will not be attending White Hills PS in 2018 due to your family moving, please advise the school now, as this information is crucial for planning.

Parent 2018 Student Placement Request:

Closes 4.00pm Thursday 16th November

The process of allocating children to grades is very complex, with teachers and coordinators spending many days developing class groups based upon sound educational factors.

Class teachers have already worked with children to nominate five (5) of their friends who they believe they would work well with. We endeavour to place 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.

Parents are invited to put in writing a placement request based upon educational and social factors only.

Naming of a preferred class teacher is NOT part of this process. Written requests are to be addressed to Andrew Schaeche, Principal, and forwarded by 4.00pm Thursday, 16th November. Verbal requests will NOT be considered.

Late written requests will NOT be considered.

Only this year's letters will be considered, so do not rely on previous letters (or conversations) with the Principal or Assistant Principal from past years.

Parents should be aware that requests can place significant limitations on options for placement and there is no guarantee that a request can be met.

You will be advised in writing of your child's allocated grade for 2018 on Thursday, 14th December.

Prep Familiarisation Days

Our first Prep Familiarisation Day for children commencing school in 2018 will be held on **Monday, November 13th and Tuesday, November 14th from 9.45am-11.45am**. These visits will consist of stories, making activities and play sessions both inside the classrooms and in the outside play area. **Children have been 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 Monday, November 27th and Tuesday, November 28th, from 9.45 to 11.45am. Notices with full details of our first Familiarisation Day have been distributed in Pre-schools or sent to parents at the start of this term. If you do not receive a note please contact Jan Ellis.

Students of the Week

CLASS	NAME	AWARDED FOR....	CLASS	NAME	AWARDED FOR....
PM	Audrey	Always doing her best and being a great role model	3J	Ella F	Her results on typing tournament and practising touch typing all week
PW	Alex	Doing an amazing job of her writing and spelling words. Great job!	3B	Larni	A hard working and great attitude to school
PAS	Shakira	Fantastic counting and making numbers with MAB	3G	Nicole	Her wonderful work habits and willingness to try new things
PF	Ayden	Listening well at literacy time and staying focussed on his own work during this time	3C	Violet	Working incredibly hard on her Goldfields story
PT	Avah S	Being a great listener and showing confidence in maths group	4K	Lily L	Her exemplary classroom behaviour
PE	P'Thru	Always doing her best work	4D	Tyrone	Very positive start to his new school
1F	Deklan	Excellent effort with his narrative writing	4M	Zacch M	His focus and concentration during maths sessions this week
1B	Ava	Her interesting ending when rewriting a fairytale	4S	Georgia	Her persistence throughout literacy all last week
1D	Sophia	Making an excellent start to Term 4	5P	Jackson	Being friendly and funny and joining in so well with the WHPS students
1DW	Sheldon	Trying his best in all learning tasks	5W	Sarah M	Her improved results in mathematics
1P	Reid	Great creative skills in literacy tasks	5D	Beth S	Her improved effort and attitude towards all tasks
2CK	Jazmin	Working hard at telling the quarter past times	6G	Baileigh	Completing her spelling conventions activities efficiently
2M	Aaron A	His creative & interesting narrative	6B	Imogen	Great attendance this year which has resulted in great work being achieved
2B	Alishba	Making a great start on her narrative	6V	Georgia	Being a friendly class member and trying her hardest with her schoolwork
2F	Levi D	Being confident and focussed in maths!	Sport	Finnegan	Showing great skills during our lessons on cricket



Junior School News

Prep News

Return Portfolios

Please return your child's portfolio as soon as possible.

Swimming

The Prep swimming program will conclude tomorrow, 3rd November, at the Eaglehawk Leisure Centre, YMCA indoor heated pool. The students have learnt many new skills, with summer coming up it is a good time to continue with private lessons and providing your child with experiences involving water.

Prep Tea And Games

As part of the school camping program the Prep children will be having tea and games together on Thursday, November 16th. 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. All notes and payment needs to be returned to the office by Monday the 13th November.

Grade 1 News

Grade 1 Tea

Looking forward to **Grade 1 tea** (30th of November) – Keep the permission notes rolling in.

Learning Portfolios

A reminder to review your students' learning portfolio and return ready to add Term 4 work.

Integrated Studies Past, Present & Future

Grade 1B & 1D enjoyed some fun olden day games of Marbles, Elastics, Hopscotch, What's the time Mr Wolf, Orange Crush (oranges and lemons) and Pick up sticks with their student teacher Mr. Holding. Other grade can look forward to some fun games in the coming weeks!

Classroom Visit

If you come into the Grade 1 classes next Thursday 9th November between 9.00 and 11.00, you will find us working without pens, pencils and crayons. In fact, we won't be using anything that writes! We will still be learning, just in different ways. If you are interested feel free to pop into the classrooms or ask your child about their morning when they get home. I'm sure they will be able to tell you all about it! These activities are designed to highlight the importance of speaking and listening.

Grade 2 News

Congratulations to this week's Students of the Week

Junior School Teachers

Middle School News

Grade 3 News

Grade 3 Excursion Tomorrow

A part of our Inquiry Unit of Bendigo and beyond we will be going on our Bendigo Town Walk tomorrow. Activities will include a Central Deborah Goldmine Experience, a Talking Tram Tour, lunch in Rosalind Park and a visit to The Chinese Dragon Museum. Students will travel by bus to and from the venue.

We will depart White Hills PS at 9 am. And will return at approx 4.00pm.

Students will meet in their classrooms at 8:50am.

Students should bring along a snack, lunch and a drink in a named disposable bag.

They will also need to wear sunscreen, school uniform, school hat and appropriate footwear.

Homework

Due to our excursion tomorrow, homework for next week was handed out today.

Grade 4 News

One Day in 5

Grade 4 students will give a presentation about the *One Day in 5 – Join the Ride* project at assembly next Monday 6 November. They have been exploring the benefits of riding and walking to school and some of the barriers with Nicola Dunncliff-Wells. We'd love to have parents and special friends come to assembly to support the students!

Grade 4 families have also been involved in identifying safe walking and cycling routes to school, which will have signage installed in the coming weeks. Please try them out, and encourage other families to join you! If many school families walk or ride to school – even one day in five – it will significantly reduce traffic around our school, which makes it safer for everyone.

War on Waste

As part of our Inquiry topic we will be watching 'War On Waste.' The ABC program uncovers how much waste we produce as a nation and discusses if we can all do something about it. It is classified as PG, so if you *don't* want your child to watch this, please let your child's classroom teacher **before Monday 6th November** and we will find alternative activities for your child to do during this time.

Return Learning Portfolios

Thanks to those who have already returned their learning portfolios. Can those still at home please be returned as soon as possible.

Upper School News

Grade 5 News

Learning Portfolios

Could these please be returned so the students can start putting in their final pieces of work.

Tennis

Friday 10th November from 9-12.30pm we will be walking down to the tennis, opposite the lake, to watch some of the junior tennis champions in action. There will be some activities that we will also participate in. Please sign the permission information in your child's diary.

Medical Forms

Camp medical forms are due this Friday 3rd November.

Grade 6 News

Camp

Just a reminder that our major camp to Anglesea will be held on 15th-17th November. There will be a note regarding bus departure times and other important information that will be distributed to the students next week.

Homework

This week's homework is an ICT and spelling task, which will be handed out on Friday, and will be due back on Friday the 10th of November. If students do not hand in their homework, they will be kept in at lunchtime to complete the task. We appreciate parents' encouraging and supporting their child with the completion and submission of homework every week.

Health and Human Development Sessions

All grade 6 six students will participate in three one hour health and development sessions preparing them for puberty, led by Leona Evans, our school nurse. These will occur on Wednesday, 29th November, Thursday, 7th December, and Wednesday, 13th December. Leona will also offer a parent information session for any parents who would like to discuss what these sessions include on Thursday, 25th November at 5-5.30pm. Notes will be handed out early in November.

Energy Breakthrough Pizza Day

The Energy Breakthrough team will be holding a Pizza Day as a fundraiser. If you would like to support the team, please place an order. This can be done either on the Qkr App, or by writing your child's name, grade, and order on a paper bag. Pizza toppings available are ham & cheese, or ham & pineapple for \$2.50 per slice. Juice is available for \$1.50 in orange, apple or tropical. Orders must be returned by Thursday, 9th November.

SICKBAY ROSTER

Friday 3 November **Kathleen Lovely**
Friday 10 November **Alison Andrea**

Please collect from the office at the end of the day

NEWSLETTER ROSTER

Thursday 09 November **Kate Campbell**
Thursday 16 November **Kathryn Treloar**

Please collect from the office at the end of the day

UNIFORM SHOP

Friday 3 November **Kimberley Dean**
Tuesday 7 November **Larissa Ahearn**
Friday 10 November **Kelly Adcock**

Opening Times

Tuesday 3.30pm – 4.00pm and Friday 3.30pm-4.00pm
Uniform Shop Leaders: Kim and Terri

CANTEEN ROSTER

Friday 3 November **Tarra Monro**
Kimberley Dean
Anne Johnson
Wednesday 8 November **Teegan Stirling**
Catherine Hester
Friday 10 November **Sam Franklin**
Kelly Adcock
Brent Monro

Extra Helpers Needed

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.

Before & After School Care Program

Fab Legend of the Week

Last week Cooper T & Alexis and This week Iris & Heath

Theme of the Week

Our Theme of the week this is Halloween week suggested by staff and Spider Week suggested by Thomas

Before & After School Care Team

Jamie (Coordinator), Jenna (Assistant).

White Hills OSCH phone: 0402 590 272 Camp Australia Customer Care Phone: 1300 10 343 Email: oshc@campaustralia.com.au

Community News



White Hills Cricket Club will be commencing its Milo In2Cricket program for 5 – 8 year old girls & boys on Tuesday 14th of November, 4.30pm at the White Hills Primary School Oval, Bosquet Street White Hills.

To register, please go online to “Play Cricket”, insert White Hills Cricket Club.

For all enquiries, please call Andrew Stewart, Junior Co-Ordinator on 0403942551 or email stewartan@bankofmelbourne.com.au

Zodiacs Netball Club try out dates for Season 2018

The Zodiacs Netball Club affiliated with the BSNA will hold their annual tryouts for Grade 6 (2018) and Under 13's (Year 7 2018) teams for SEASON 2018 on the following dates:

Sunday 19th November

Registrations from 9:45am

Tryouts - 10am - 12pm

Monday 20th November

Registrations from 5:15pm

Tryouts - 5:30pm - 7pm

Attendance at both sessions is preferred for best chance of selection.

Tryouts will take place at BSE on the outside courts. Please make sure you bring along a drink bottle and be sun smart.

For further information please email zodiacbgo@yahoo.com.au

Free 1 day workshop
for parents & carers of
school-aged students
on the autism
spectrum!

**Bendigo
9 November 2017**

Register your place:

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Zest: Christian Performing Arts School Opening in White Hills, 2018.

*Classes use Christian music & themes.

*Classes free from sexualisation.

*Classes promote friendship, modesty,
manners & community.

*Pre-school - Secondary.

**Scholarship Auditions: 20th Jan.
Free Come & Try Day: 27th Jan.**

**zestpas.blogspot.com.au
or call Melanie 0457192347**

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2018**
dance drama vocals