Term 1 Week 7 March, 14th 2024 Newsletter

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News from the School Leaders:

Love Your Sister Fundraiser

Mr Calum Gurd, one of our Grade 4 teachers is taking on a massive challenge of running 30 kms a day for 30 days. (900 kms in total) to raise money for The Love Your Sister organisation. The Love Your Sister organisation raises money for cancer. As we know, so many people are affected by this terrible disease, so we have decided to get behind Mr Gurd and show him our support.

On Thursday 28th March (the last day of term) we are inviting all students to come to school wearing bright colours and a gold coin to donate. The students who donate a gold coin will go into the draw to win a prize from The Love Your Sister organisation. Each year level will get to join Mr Gurd to run some laps of the school oval from 9am in the morning. Parents are welcome to come and cheer on Mr Gurd.

The last day of term will be a Casual Dress Day. If your child would like to participate all gold coins collected will then be donated to "Love Your Sister"
The link supplied can be used for any donation.

https://fundraise.loveyoursister.org/p/340295/calum-gurd?utm_source=Events+-+Transactional+Emails&utm_medium=email&utm_campaign=Event+-+Thank+you+for+creating+a+Fundraising+Page+%28272937%29&utm_content=Button+-+VIEW+FRP&fbclid=PAAaY5Kr0zMQWwcPpXVNvmIW2RMosoWt0MUrMncmcczj919W13ORhwKIOzveg_aem_ASZCATgiZPj2DRblyK_bcilyoIcViny6ZY5C6QSNbwFI9aQQcEAk8IKy8F_WxMCt5Wk

Awesome Effort Calum!

News from the School Leaders:

School Attendance

Attendance Matters - Every Day Counts

Each school day counts. We understand that when students are ill that they need to stay at home. Please be mindful that absences add up quickly. A student that is away for 2 days every month, is missing the equivalent 10% of their learning time. Much of our learning is sequential and builds on learning from previous lessons. This can make it difficult for students to catch up when they have unexplained absences. Thanks in advance for your support.

Scholastic Book Club

Issue #2 of Scholastic Book Club is due Monday 18th of March. No late orders will be accepted. To order the books online and pay with your credit card via the LOOP facility visit https://mybookclubs.scholastic.com.au/Parent/Login.aspx The LOOP facility eliminates the need to put your credit card number on the order form and/or hand over cash. For paper copy book orders remember to please include your child's name, room number and/or teacher on the top of the form and return to the office with correct payment by due date. The school will receive rewards points for every order. This allows WHPS to purchase new books for the school.

National Assessment Program — Literacy and Numeracy (NAPLAN)

This year NAPLAN will be conducted from March 13th-18th. The assessment program tests Grades 3 and 5 students in reading, persuasive or narrative writing, grammar and punctuation, numeracy, and spelling. Like last year, NAPLAN will be in an online format, excluding writing for Grade 3. The results from NAPLAN provide useful information to guide future planning.

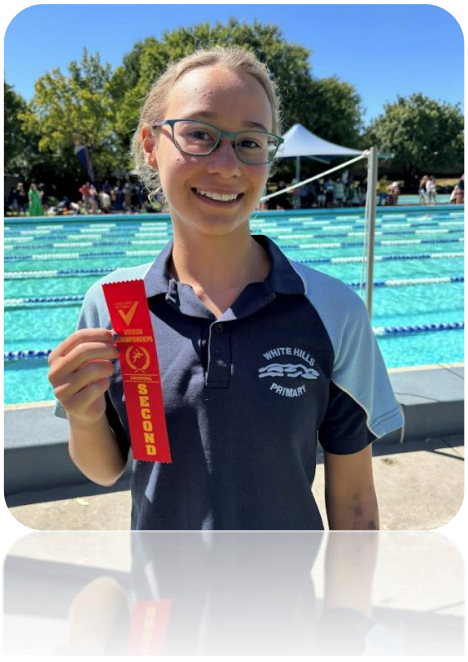
Early School Finish - End of Term 1

Term 1 concludes on Thursday, 28th March. The last day of Term 1 will be Casual Dress. If your child decides to come to school out of uniform, could they please bring a gold coin donation. This money will be forwarded on to "Love Your Sister" organisation. Students will be dismissed at 2:30pm. There will be no assembly during Week 9. Term 2 commences on Monday, 15th April.

Swimming Program

This Monday our weeklong swimming program kicks off with all students to attend from years 3 to 6. Could you please make sure you have returned the pink permission forms prior to Friday 15/03. Your child's name needs to be clearly written on all items taken to the pool. If your child wears their bathers to school prior to their lesson, could you please make sure they have underwear packed in their bag.

Regards Craig, Bec & Kim



Congratulations Maddison on placing 2nd in butterfly at the Division Swimming Carnival

Students of the Week, 14th March Well Done Everyone!

Class	Student	Awarded for being their BEST
Prep D	Emilee	For showing respect in the classroom by listening carefully and putting up her hand to speak.
Prep F	Chase S	For being switched on with his learning and waiting patiently to have a turn.
Prep E	Lucy Cunningham	For being a considerate and respectful friend in Prep E to all her new classmates!
Prep B	Adriel	For being a considerate and hard-working member of our class.
Prep H	Aaleyah	For working so hard at practising her name every day!
1AK	Harlow	For listening carefully and working hard to complete an excellent retell during writing time.
1G	William H	For being the best class helper and having a positive attitude!
1F	Sienna H	For having a positive and happy week displaying amazing results in her writing!
1B	Archer	For raising his hand to share his thoughts with the class during the class big book.
2W	Xavier T	For being such a kind and cooperative class member and always offering to help others.
2P	Gemma	For working and thinking hard to problem solve in Maths
2TD	Bradley S	For always listening carefully, putting his hand up and being organised. Setting an excellent example for others.
2K	Lachlan	For being brave and showing resilience when receiving feedback
3M	Hazel G	For a fantastic start to WHPS and having a crack at everything she does!
3V	Ethan B	For always being respectful and kind to others and having a positive attitude.
3C	Alira	For always being kind and trying her best in all learning areas.
3L	Zoey	For making an excellent start to White Hills Primary, we are lucky to have you!
4O	Aiden	For always being kind and respectful to all members of the class.
4HW	Sam	For always respectfully giving his opinion in class discussions.
4BL	Claudia	For making an excellent start to White Hills Primary
4G	Abbey	For showing great care towards others.
5D	Toby C	For speaking and listening respectfully hen talking with is peers and teachers
5R	Henry A	For his resilience during some tricky NAPLAN tests and for always aspiring to be his best!
5W	Alexa	For her resilience and aspiration through a week full of NAPLAN.
6K	Chase S	For always looking out for others and setting a great example in the classroom for his peers.
6B	Lacey B	For always supporting her peers and coming up with great dance moves.
6MW	Ethan Q	For his resilience and ability to adapt.
6F	Bailey S	Always demonstrating good manners and treating his classmates with respect.
Sport Mr Scoble	Annabelle H	Her excellent improvement in the fundamental movement skill of throwing.
STEM Mrs Treloar	Tillee H 1 F	For building a strong, solid zip line container and working hard to complete her work in a short amount of time.
STEM Mrs Millard	Liam H 1B	For his clever engineering design for his zip line and then aspiring to improve it to make it even better.
Art Mrs.Watchman	Lucia 5R	For taking care when presenting her artwork
Art Miss Hivon	Beau PH	For his confidence with his Pablo Picasso knowledge and work
Music Mr Marsh	For all students who audition for band	You all did an amazing job and demonstrated confidence when auditioning! Well done.

Student Of the Week

Principals Award: Congratulations Jed RJ & Ryan S

Please be mindful of where you park when dropping off and picking up students. We've had a couple of neighbours calling the school to advise that they have had their driveways blocked during these times. We thank you for your consideration in this matter.

Calendar of Events Term 1 2024

Tuesday 30th Jan – Thursday 28th March

Term 1

Week 7
15th Mar - Naplan Language Conventions
15th Mar - School Assembly Everyone Welcome 3.00pm

Week 8
18th Mar - Years 3 - 6 Swimming Program (all week)
18th Mar - Naplan Maths
19th ~22nd Mar - Naplan Catch Up
20th Mar – Finance Meeting
22nd Mar – Easter Raffle Drawn
22nd Mar - School Assembly Everyone Welcome 3.00pm

Week 9
25th Mar – Annual General School Council Meeting
26th Mar - Years 1 – 2 AFL Clinic 9.00am / 2.00pm
27th Mar - Years 1 – 2 AFL Clinic 9.00am / 2.00pm
28th Mar – Out of Uniform GOLD COIN DONATION
28th Mar - Last Day Term Early **Finish 2.30pm**
29th Mar - Good Friday Public Holiday

Happy Holidays 29th March – 14th April 2024

Calendar of Events Term 2 2024

Monday 15th April – Friday 28th June

Term 2

Week 1
17th Apr - Cross Country at School
19th Apr – Shrine of Remembrance Melbourne
19th Apr - School Assembly Everyone Welcome 3.00pm

Week 2
24th Apr - Anzac Day Service at School
25th Apr **- Anzac Day Public Holiday (No School)**
26th Apr - Athletics at Lar Birpa Athletics Complex
58 Retreat Rd Flora Hill
26th Apr - School Assembly Everyone Welcome 3.00pm

Week 3
01st May -Division Cross Country
03rd May - School Assembly Everyone Welcome 3.00pm

Week 4
4th May - Energy Breakthrough Calder Park Raceway
08th May - Finance Meeting
8th-10th May - Year 6 Burnside Anglesea Camp
10th May - School Assembly Everyone Welcome 3.00pm

Week 5
13th May - School Council Meeting
17th May - District Athletics
17th May - School Assembly Everyone Welcome 3.00pm

Week 6
24th May - School Assembly Everyone Welcome 3.00pm

Week 7
31st May - Division Hockey
31st May - School Assembly Everyone Welcome 3.00pm

Week 8
5th Jun - Division Soccer
6th Jun - Division Soccer
7th Jun - School Assembly Everyone Welcome 3.00pm

Week 9
10th Jun - Kings Birthday Public Holiday (No School)
12th Jun **-** Finance Meeting
14th Jun - School Assembly Everyone Welcome 3.00pm

Week10
17th Jun **-** School Council Meeting
21st Jun - School Assembly Everyone Welcome 3.00pm

Week 11
28th Jun - School Assembly Everyone Welcome 2.00pm
28th Jun – Last Day Term 2 Early **Finish 2.30pm**

Happy Holidays 28th June ~ 14th July 2024

An Interview with our Student Leaders

Laynie

Hobbies	I like watching my favourite show on TV and I love organising my bedroom.
What do you like about WHPS?	I love how WHPS is so accepting and how it offers help for students in need.
Why did you want to be a Student Leader?	I've wanted to be a student leader ever since I was in Grade 3! I have always just wanted to be a leader and a role model to show the younger students that they can be responsible.
Is there a Leader that inspires you and why?	A leader that inspires me is Jochebed Way. She is always kind and responsible around the school, and always aspires to do her best in all learning tasks.
What is your favourite subject?	My favourite subject is writing, writing makes me feel comfortable and calm.

Jed R.J

Hobbies	Calling with my friends and doing outside activities as well as hanging out with friends and family.
What do you like about WHPS?	That it's a safe and respectful school and that everyone likes to help out around the school and we're one joined community. Also, that our school can work together and achieve such great things, and that we have a PFG because not many schools have those.
Why did you want to be a Student Leader?	So that I could feel more connected to the school in more ways and be able to have fun with friends doing assembly! And being a leader of the school and showing kids the right thing to do.
Is there a Leader that inspires you and why?	Yes. It's all the teachers in the school because they inspire me by how they put in all their time to attend school and work here and they are just incredible people! And how the teachers teach us students, it's incredible! If I was a teacher, it would be very hard, but the teachers at WHPS just try their best and don't fail!
What is your favourite subject at school?	My number one favourite subject is writing! Because you get to take all your imaginative thoughts and put it into one piece! Second, reading because it ties in as well. Reading books is just so thrilling you should just look at my shelves! Third Inquiry because it's so great to learn about our country's history and just everything about the world!

Olivia R

Hobbies	Dance, Spending time with my family and friends, relaxing and playing Fortnite with my brother.
What do you like about WHPS?	That it's a safe learning and talking space and everyone's very kind and respectful and White Hills does a lot of community inclusive activities like PFG, The Colour Fun Run and others. White Hills is also a very inclusive school with a lot of different cultures.
Why did you want to be a Student Leader?	Because I love helping people and giving little kids something to aspire to be. It's just like how I was inspired to help others. Maybe they don't have the best life at home.
Is there a Leader that inspires you and why?	Yes. The teachers at this school because they are always ready to help out little and big kids. Also, my parents because I believe that they have raised me to be an amazing person and I aspire to be as good as them in everything that I do.
What is your favourite subject at school?	I don't have just one but some of my favourite subjects are Art, Reading and Writing, P.E, Music and Inquiry because I enjoy all of these subjects, even if they may be challenging.

TB's Trees

Late last year, TB'S Trees (a school family) removed an unsightly stump from behind the portables, without charge. We appreciate now having open pathways which are free from obstructions. TB's a small family tree business that has been in the industry over 10 years and specialises in Tree Removals, Tree pruning, Tree Felling, Stump grinding, Hedging.
24 hours/ 7 days a week.
We are Fully Insured with 10 million public liability.
Safety is our number one priority.
AFFORDABLE PRICES.
We are happy to travel all of Bendigo and surrounds.
No job too big or too small
We have recently moved back to Bendigo and our children attend White Hills primary.

TB'S TREES

Call Tom on 0498609887 for a NO OBLIGATION FREE Quote.

School Rock Band – Practice for auditions is now ON!

Official Band auditions will begin on Tuesday 27th February. (Years 3-6 only!)

The Songs being learnt for audition are Viva La Vida by Coldplay and Lanterns by Birds of Tokyo.

Video lessons for guitar, bass and keyboard will be available on Mr Marsh's Music website (Under WHPS Band Auditions). Open up google and type "Martian Maze Music" in the search bar, or enter the following address into your URL bar:

https://sites.google.com/view/martian-maze-music-movement/home

Any questions, please email Mr Marsh on the address below!

Thanks folks.

Keep singin', strummin', and swingin' those hips!!
Kaine Marsh *kaine.marsh@education.vic.gov.au*

Drum Lessons

"I believe in making music an enjoyable and engaging experience, and that's exactly how I approach teaching. My focus isn't on creating rockstars; instead, I emphasize fostering creativity, coordination, and instilling the belief that effort yields results.

Even when tackling challenging pieces, my priority is to create a fun and lighthearted learning environment, often with lots of laughter. To facilitate learning, I've authored my own music books, with one copy provided annually as part of the lesson fee (for new enrolments) Additional copies can be obtained for $50 each.

Here's a bit about my background: I bring 30 years of playing experience and almost 20 years of teaching experience to the table. I regularly perform live concerts with my own bands and collaborate with the Bendigo Symphony Orchestra. My involvement extends to musicals, theatre productions, touring bands, and music festivals. I am also Tour Manager for a prominent Australian band. Certified with a CERT IV Training & Assessment from Bendigo TAFE, I'm an active member of the Victorian Music Teachers Association (VMTA). I hold numerous Music Exam accolades, including First-Class Honors, and I'm an Associate Member of the Australia & New Zealand Cultural Arts (ANZCA). Furthermore, I have comprehensive insurance coverage, public liability protection, and a valid Working with Children (WWC) Check.

For payment, lessons are priced at $250 per term, and guarantees a minimum of 8 lessons per term. While I strive for 10 lessons, this structure allows flexibility for camps, public holidays, and student absences.

Feel free to reach out if you have any questions. I'm excited about the fantastic year ahead and looking forward to making music enjoyable for everyone." ***Thank you, Adam Bourke 0409530880 Check my Facebook page: www.facebook.com/adambourkedrumlessons***

Easter Raffle

Friendly reminder

Please return all sold or any unsold raffle tickets to school.
No later then Wednesday 20th March 2024

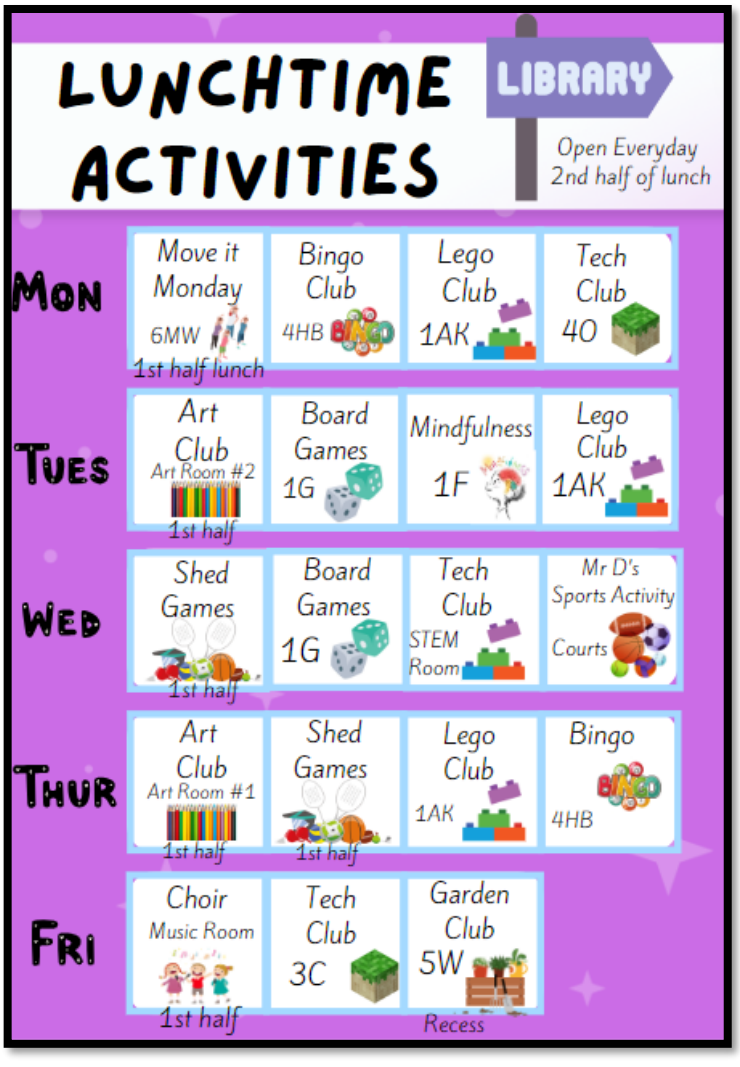
Tickets cost $1.00 each. EACH BOOKLET IS WORTH $20.00 (20 tickets)

1st prize	Large Chocolate Hamper
2nd prize	Medium Chocolate Hamper
3rd prize	Chocolate Hamper
4th prize	Chocolate Hamper

All books and money or any unsold tickets must be returned by Wednesday 20th March 2024 before 4.00pm
The Raffle will be **drawn on Friday, 22nd March at the afternoon assembly.**

Payment can be made via QKR or at the office.
Extra books are available from the office.

Your continued support of our Fundraising efforts is greatly appreciated.
WHPS Parents & Friends Group



OSHClub Newsletter

Term 1, Week 6

www.oshclub.com.au

WHITE HILLS OSHCLUB NEWS

Hello families,

Term 1 Bookings are filling up fast and limited spaces are becoming available. Please book at the earliest convenience so you don't miss out.

Please see our friendly reminders, Monthly Calendar and OSHClub Easter Carnival Poster.

See you around, Ella & TJ

REMINDERS

- Names on children's items – our lost property is overflowing and many do not come with names. If you are missing something please come and check in our room.

CLASS DOJO

White Hills OSHClub have created a Class Dojo this year and invite you to join us to share our week and gain points for positive behaviour.

Booking Type	Booking Requirement	Cancellation terms*	Session type	Term 1 2024 Price per session	Average* out of pocket cost per session	Average* change in out of pocket cost per session
Early Bird Adventure	Book 15 or more days in advance	Free cancellation if notice provided 14 or more days in advance	Rise then Shine	$25.00	$4.51	$0.18
			Stay and Play	$32.40	$7.77	$2.36
Flexible Adventure	Book 3 or more days in advance	Free cancellation if notice provided 48 hours or more in advance	Rise then Shine	$27.50	$4.96	$0.20
			Stay and Play	$35.80	$10.97	$2.60
Last Minute Adventure	Book 48 hours or less in advance	No free cancellation	Rise then Shine	$30.00	$7.01	$1.20
			Stay and Play	$37.40	$12.77	$2.40
Holiday Program	Unchanged	Unchanged	Daily rate	$62.70	$11.30	$0.85

Service Times: Morning 6:30-9am / Afternoon 3-6pm
Holiday Program 7am-6pm

Service Phone Number: 0491 806 466
Service Email: whitehills@oshclub.com.au

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WHITE HILLS OSHCLUB AWARDS

WEEKS 3-4

WEEKS 5-6

Service Times: Morning 6:30-9am / Afternoon 3-6pm
Holiday Program 7am-6pm

Service Phone Number: 0491 806 466
Service Email: whitehills@oshclub.com.au

Hi White Hills Primary School,
My name is Dale Harris and I am contacting you on behalf of the Bendigo LEGO User Group, a local group of LEGO fans of all ages.

We have our annual brick show, Bendigo Bricks coming up in a month on the 6th and 7th of April. You can find out more about the event here: https://bendigobricks.com

The reason for contacting your school is to ask if whether it would be possible to have the poster for our 2024 event included in your newsletter in the lead up to the Easter school holidays as our event takes place on the weekend following Easter and we would expect that a lot of your students and families may be interested to come along.

I have uploaded both a PDF and a JPG version of our poster on our website at https://bendigolug.com.au/bb-poster which you can download and circulate as you wish.

Please don't hesitate to contact me if you would like any further details, or if you have better idea for how we can promote our event to your community on 0411899840 or by responding to this email.

Thank you,

Dale Harris
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