White Hills Primary School No 1916
Week 7 Term 1 ***Wednesday 15 March 2023***
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White Hills Weekly

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 1 2023: Monday 30 January – Thursday 6 April

Week 7

Wed 15 Mar – Fri 17 Mar	NAPLAN Grades 3 & 5
Thursday 16 March	Prep Parent Helper Info Sessions 9am & 4pm

Week 8

Mon 20 Mar – Tue 21 Mar	NAPLAN Grade 3 & 5
Monday 20 March	Grade 6 War Museum Visit
Monday 20 March	School Council Meeting 6:30pm
Wednesday 22 March	Fathering Project - Outdoor Games & BBQ Gardens of the Future 5:30-7:00pm
Thursday 23 March	Colour Run 2:30pm

Week 9

Mon 27 Mar to Fri 31 Mar	Grades 3 – 6 Swimming
Friday 31 March	Ride/Scoot to school
Friday 31 March	P&FG Open Air Cinema

Week 10

Mon 3 Apr – Tue 4 Apr	Grade 3 Camp – Creswick
Wednesday 5 April	School Athletics
Thursday 6 April	**Last Day Term 1 – 2.30pm dismissal**
Friday 7 April	**Good Friday Holiday**

Term 2 2023: Monday 24 April – Friday 23 June

Week 1

Monday 24 April	**First Day Term 2**
Wednesday 26 April	School Cross Country

Instrumental Music

If families are wishing for their child to participate in private instrumental music lessons during school hours, the following options are available at White Hills PS. Please contact the music teachers directly to access lessons for your child.

- **Singing –** Louise MacGregor (0431 599 044) littlelungsmusic@gmail.com
- **Guitar/bass/ukulele –** Mason Matheson (0422 252 907) mason.matheson@gmail.com (begins Term 2)
- **Drums –** Adam Bourke (0409 530 880) Adam_bourke@live.com.au
- **Piano/keyboards – s**Madelyn Kidd (0467 869 726)
- madelyn.mgkmusic@gmail.com

We are lucky enough to welcome Mason as our new guitar teacher. Mason comes with a great deal of experience as a guitar teacher through Muso's Stuff. He will begin in Term 2, but families can contact him now to arrange lessons. (see flyer in the newsletter this week).

Principal's News

Hi everyone,

School Council Elections

Whilst the timeline has now closed, **we still require one parent representative.** If you are interested in being on Council, would like more information, or would like to nominate someone, please let me know as soon as possible.

The new council will meet for the Annual General Meeting on Monday, 20th May where positions of responsibility are filled and the 2022 Annual Report will be tabled for endorsement.

The Fathering Project Outdoor Games & BBQ

We have had an overwhelming response to this event and currently we are expecting 155 participants from 62 families to attend on Wednesday, 22nd March from 5:30-7:00pm.

We will be meeting at the rear of the school, so we encourage dads/father figures to park in the car park on Bosquet Street.

We have Bendigo Orienteering Club conducting a fabulous orienteering course over in the Garden's for the Future and have indoor/outdoor games in the school grounds.

If families who are attending have a set of bocce/boules or indoor carpet bowls, can I request that they be brought along to share please. That way we can have families rotate around activities and not be waiting too long to participate.

A sausage sizzle will also be provided, and we are asking families to make a gold coin (or more) donation to this to assist the school to cover the costs. OSH Club (before and after school care providers in our school) are also contributing a donation to this event to help cover the costs.

The Fathering Project

Resilience is one of the school's 4 values.

A key factor in the development of resilience in children and young people is a healthy self-esteem. We want our children to believe – I am capable and confident in myself and my ability to take on challenges and try new things.

Young people with positive self-esteem are more likely to feel capable and valuable, have healthy relationships with family and friends and are less likely to engage in undesirable behaviours.

Top Tips

1. Use compliments that are positive but believable. Help them think about their abilities and what they are capable of in a realistic way, e.g. "You are driving so well for someone who is just learning!"
2. Love them unconditionally and accept them as they are. Tell them you will love them unconditionally regardless of their failures or mistakes. Recognise the process of striving for something as much as the outcome.
3. Build their confidence without making them self-centred. Encourage and support them to dream big and work hard. Let them know you believe in them and are confident they will achieve their goals.

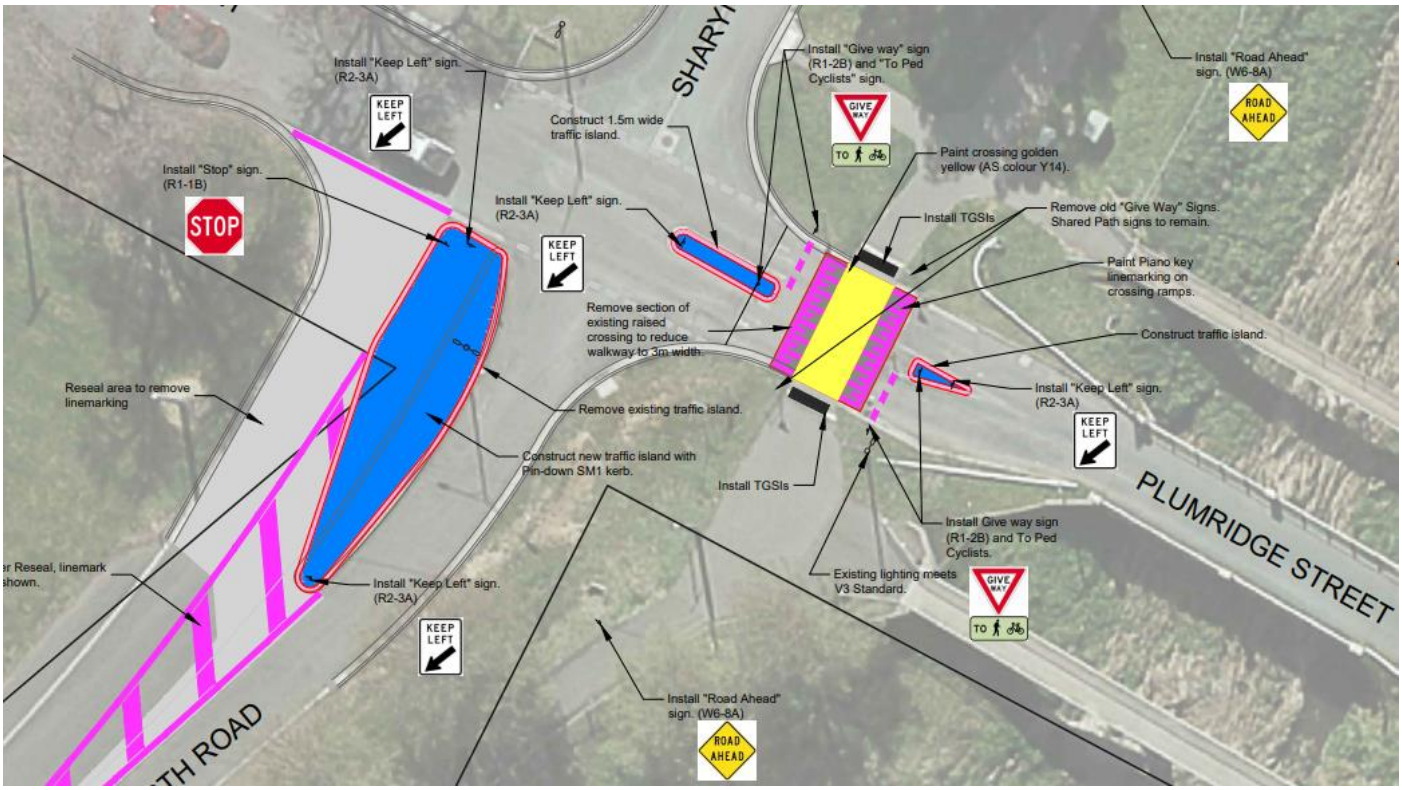
Dad joke of the week

I have a Polish friend who is a sound technician... Oh, and a Czech one too. Czech one too. Czech one too...

REPEAT NOTICES

Proposed Blackspot Safety Upgrade

The construction of a Pedestrian Safety Upgrade on Plumridge Street is proposed to commence in the near future. The works will be located near the intersection of Plumridge Street and Holdsworth Road. It will include an upgraded Raised Safety Platform, reconstruction of traffic islands and associated line marking. It is scheduled to commence in late March and be completed by May. The April school holidays have been targeted for any closure of Plumridge Street to reduce the impact of school traffic. However, there will be some unavoidable inconvenience regarding traffic and pedestrian access.



Camps, Sports and Excursions Fund applications

The Camps, Sports and Excursions Fund helps eligible families to cover the costs of school trips, camps and sporting activities.

If you have a valid means-tested concession card, such as a Veterans Affairs Gold Card, Centrelink Health Care Card or Pensioner Concession Card, or are a temporary foster parent, you may be eligible. There is also a special consideration category for asylum seeker and refugee families.

Payment amounts this year are $125 for eligible primary school students. Payments are made direct to the school to use towards expenses relating to camps, excursions and sporting activities for the benefit of your child.

If you applied for CSEF through our school last year, you do not need to complete an application form this year, unless there has been a change in your family circumstances.

If you would like to apply for the first time, please contact the school office on 54430799 and ask for an application form.

You can also download the form, and find out more about the program and eligibility, on the Department of Education and Training's Camps, Sports and Excursions Fund web page.

Check with the school office if you are unsure, and please return completed forms to the school office by the end of the Term 2 please.

Please let us know if there's anything further that we can do to support you here at WHPS.

Andrew Schaeche,

Principal

STUDENTS OF THE WEEK – Term 1, Week 6 Assembly (10 March 2023) – RESPECT

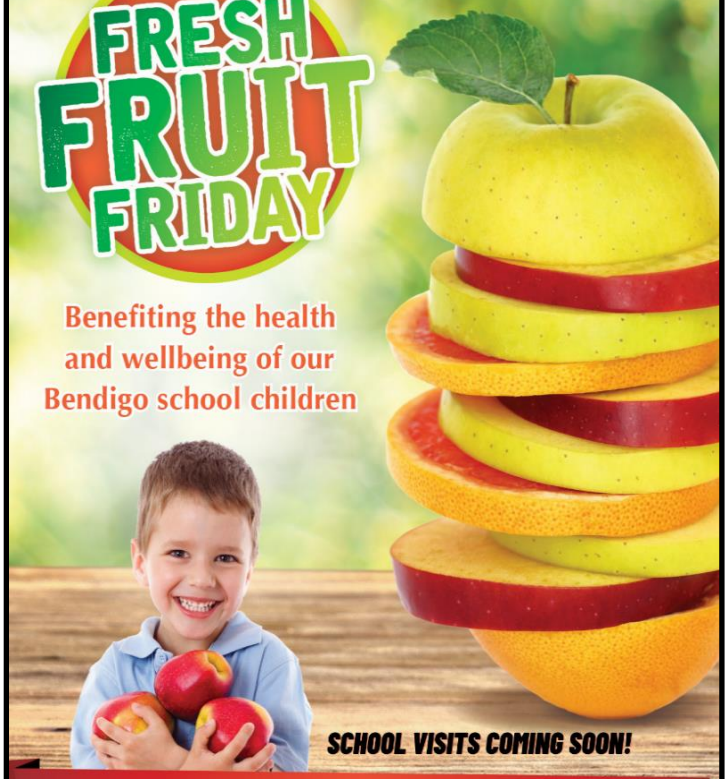
CLASS	NAME	AWARDED FOR…	CLASS	NAME	AWARDED FOR…
PP	Ariadne W	For taking her time and working very hard on her writing.	**4HB**	Soraya H	For always being a responsible student and helping others in the classroom.
PE	Ivy B	For listening respectfully and always trying her best!	**4O**	Mu Tha	For always being a great role model and respectful to everyone.
PF	Alex C	For showing wonderful kindness to others and respecting our school values.	**4C**	Violet W	For working hard and taking responsibility for her learning.
PD	Oscar Y	For always aspiring to do his best and being a very considerate and kind member of Prep D.	**5R**	Noah R	For aspiring to be his best. He has worked hard all week to avoid distractions and focus on improving his work habits.
1AK	Charlie J	For being a fabulous role model in our classroom by always being respectful to the teachers and classmates.	**5W**	Mason A	For representing our school in a responsible manner at volleyball.
1TD	Max B	For working hard and practising his skip counting during Maths lessons.	**5HB**	Sophia V	For showing initiative and leadership towards her learning.
1G	Fletcher L	For always listening to his teachers and staying on task at all times.	**5D**	Ethan Q	For being a respectful partner during games and activities.
1B	Oliver G	For working on being patent and raising his hand to share in class discussions.	**6R**	Denis H	For his ongoing positive attitude and growth mindset when faced with challenges.
2TW	Isla S	For showing respect and kindness to all the Grade 2 teachers and helping other students in our grade make kinder choices.	**6B**	Memphis S	For his inspiring leadership in the EBT program.
2P	Mary M	For working really hard to join in with all areas of school life.	**6MW**	Patricia D	For always being a positive, helpful and kind classmate who approaches tasks eagerly.
2M	Ayeasha E	For always aspiring to do her best, particularly in Maths when working with odd and even numbers.	**6F**	Kiera W	For listening respectfully in class and trying her best.
3M	Lilly T	For staying on task and aspiring to do her best work all week! Very proud of you Lilly!	**STEM Award Mrs Treloar**	Ethan Q 5D	For his in-depth research when creating his Bendigo Creek plan.
3V	Laylah T	For being a positive member of the class and being such a great helper.	**Art Award Mrs Watchman**	Ethan F 3M	For producing an amazing painting inspired by Van Gogh's Starry Night.
3C	Billie L	For being respectful to all members of our school community and supporting others when needed. A great role model!	**Sports Award Mr Scoble**	Sophie H 3M	For aspiring to do her best during relay training.
Music & Choir Awards Mr Marsh	Choir: Alirah N 3M Music: Matilda S 5W	For stating choir this year with wonderful energy and effort. Always doing the little things in choir to make sure her voice is sounding great! For her band audition, which I will remember for the rest of my life – I can't wait for you all to hear Matilda sing! She will perform with a group of outstanding musicians early in Term 2!	**Chinese Award Ms Hung**	Cooper 1TD	Cooper has improved in Chinese. He sat on the floor properly and listened to the teacher. He was able to count the numbers from 1 to 10 in Chinese and got a sticker as a reward. Well done, Cooper.

Parents and Friends Group

The White Hills Parents and Friends Group (PFG) has been busy meeting and planning some exciting fundraising events for the White Hills school community in 2023.
The first of these events will be the Open Air Cinema on 31st March. We are very excited to see you at our screening of *Sonic The Hedgehog 2* so pre-order your tickets and food on the Qkr app.
We have also distributed tickets for the Easter Raffle to the eldest child in each family (check the bottom of their bags if you haven't received them yet). There will be lots of yummy Easter treats to win, so get those tickets sold!
Lastly, if you are looking for a great way to support and get involved in our White Hills PS community, we would love to see you at our next meeting on Mon 3rd April at 9.15am. Meet at the front office.
Emily Unt Wan
White Hills PFG Secretary

FRESH FRUIT FRIDAY

Benefiting the health and wellbeing of our Bendigo school children



SCHOOL VISITS COMING SOON!

Proudly funded and supported by:

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Welcome

Wominjeka

Play in the Garden Day

CELEBRATING NATIONAL PLAYGROUP WEEK

10AM - 1PM
TUESDAY MARCH 21
GARDEN FOR THE FUTURE
BOSQUET STREET, WHITE HILLS

FREE EVENT

LOTS OF FUN, FREE ACTIVITIES INCLUDING:

- ANIMAL FARM AND PONY RIDES
- FACE PAINTING
- MUSIC AND ENTERTAINMENT
- BUBBLE PLAY AND CIRCUS ACTIVITIES
- ART AND CRAFT ACTIVITIES
- STORY TIME SESSION
- WALKING TOURS OF LARNI GARINGILANG (MEANS HOME OF GROWTH IN THE LANGUAGE OF THE DJA DJA WURRUNG)
- CONNECT WITH LOCAL EARLY YEARS SERVICES

FREE FRESH FRUIT • $2 SAUSAGES and VEGGIE BURGERS • COFFEE AVAILABLE

Coliban Water refill unit available please remember to bring your drink bottle

Kiwanis

CITY OF GREATER BENDIGO

COME AND TRY Orienteering

For beginners of any age!

SATURDAY 18 MARCH	SATURDAY 25 MARCH	
12:30 - 2:00 PM	12:30 - 2:00 PM	FREE
KANGAROO FLAT AREA (MYERS CREEK)	JACKASS FLAT AREA (IRONSTONE HILL)	

WHAT TO BRING: Walking or running shoes, clothes to protect from sunburn, hat, water to drink.

Bendigo Orienteers

The Bendigo Orienteering Club is providing events for you to learn about navigating in bush land areas using a map and compass. Volunteers from the club will be there to help you learn how to read the map with a compass to find your way around easy orienteering courses. You can give it a go and enjoy being in the bush. For more information: Bendigo Orienteers Inc. website: www.bendigo-orienteers.com.au (click on events tab). Details of locations can be found on this website: https://eventor.orienteering.asn.au/Events

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HUNTLY JUNIOR FOOTBALL CLUB

UNDER 12'S, 14'S & 16'S PLAYERS

Huntly Under 12's, Under 14's & Under 16's are currently seeking players for the 2023 season!

HUNTLY FOOTBALL NETBALL CLUB

WHY YOU SHOULD JOIN US

- HIGH LEVEL COACHING
- WELCOMING & INCLUSIVE
- QUALITY FACILITIES
- FAMILY FRIENDLY CLUB

Please contact Jade at footballhuntlyfnc@gmail.com or 0448 773 211

nab AFL Auskick

JOIN THE FUN!

White Hills Auskick Centre

Scott Street Oval

Friday's 4:15pm starting May 5th

Brock Rogers - 0492 923 496

Whitehillsauskick@gmail.com

Scan the QR Code to register!

nab AFL Auskick

NAB AFL Auskick is one of the best, first experiences kids aged 5-12 will have learning Australian Football.

In weekly sessions, Auskickers and their families will run, jump, kick, laugh and create their own special moments playing footy.

No matter their skill level, ability or knowledge of the game, Auskick is for everyone!

Registration is this simple!

1. WWW. — Visit play.afl
2. Select 'Where to play'
3. Enter your suburb
4. REGISTER — Find your local club and register!

play.afl/auskick

Music should be fun and engaging, and this is my approach to teaching it. I do not focus on making rockstars, I focus on the development of creativity, coordination, and the belief that through effort comes result.
I do my very best to make students laugh and have fun, even while learning difficult and challenging pieces.
I have written my own music books for students to learn from - one copy is supplied each year as part of the lesson fee. Additional copies are $50.

PAYMENTS:
Lessons are charged at **$225 per term**. This pricing covers the book, a pair of sticks and the guarantee of AT LEAST 8 lessons per term.
I will always aim for 10 lessons per term, but this gives flexibility for camps, public holidays and absent students.

Please contact me if you have any questions.
Looking forward to a great year ahead!

Thanks again,
Adam

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https://www.facebook.com/adambourkedrumlessons/