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Term 2 Week 3 8th May 2025 Newsletter

Dear parents and carers

We have some exciting news!

We are adding some new communication tools to enhance our connections with the WHPS community! We are excited to launch the White Hills Primary School Facebook and Instagram Pages. Look out for updates, activities, special events and celebrations. We can't wait to share more regularly all the wonderful and special things that happen at White Hills Primary School.

You will know that you've landed on the right page when you see our beautiful school dog Rosie.

I would like to start by thanking all the families who supported last Friday evening's movie night featuring "Minecraft." It was a very popular choice, and we sold around 350 tickets. I want to acknowledge the tireless efforts of our amazing Parents and Friends Group, who worked hard to organise this event and create a special evening for everyone in attendance. This week has also included highlights such as the Mother's and Special Person Breakfast and the Grade 6 students heading off on their camp to Anglesea.

Next week we have the Cyber Safety Project. This is an online safety and digital wellbeing program proven to transform classrooms – helping students build lifelong skills and setting them up for a safer future. Students in Grades 1 - 6 will have a cyber safety session

Prep Parents 2026

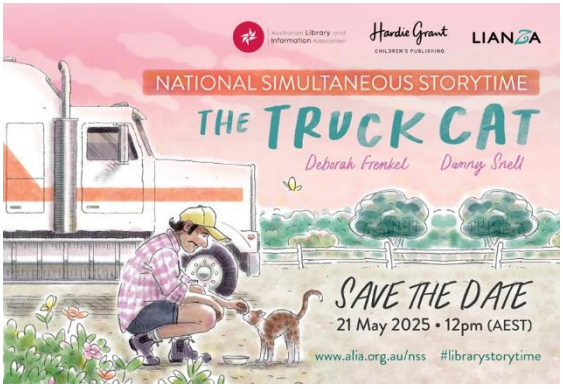
We are excited to announce that we will soon be hosting Parent Information Sessions and School Tours for families interested in enrolling their children in Prep for 2026.
These sessions will be held in the staffroom on Tuesday, May 13th, at the following times:

- Morning - 9:15 – 10:00 AM
- Evening - 6:00 – 6:45 PM

June is a busy time for school enrolments, and we encourage families to apply to their school of choice during this period. If you have a child who will be enrolling at White Hills in 2026, please do so as soon as possible. To begin the enrolment process, you can contact Danni Oswald, our office transition contact, who will be happy to guide you through the steps.

Education Week: May 19th – 23rd 2025

During Education Week, White Hills Primary School will host a Showcase of Learning event on Wednesday afternoon at 2.40pm. This is an opportunity for parents, grandparents, and friends to visit their child's classroom and help celebrate the wonderful learning experiences happening in each of our classrooms.
On Wednesday, 21st May, as part of Education Week, the school will participate in the National Simultaneous Storytime. This year's book is titled 'The Truck Cat' by Deborah Frenkel and Danny Snell. We look forward to enjoying this book.



Mother's and Special Person's Breakfast

We had a fantastic morning on Tuesday for the Mother's and Special Person's Day event. Thank you to everyone who was able to attend this wonderful community gathering. We enjoyed a variety of delicious breakfast foods, including egg and bacon rolls.

A special thanks to Htoo Bo's father for cooking the tasty fried rice and to K'Pru and her family for the samosas, which were a big hit! We recognise the importance that special people hold in our students' lives, and we truly appreciate your support in attending events like this. I would also like to thank the Wellbeing Team for their hard work, which made the event a great success. Thanks to staff who helped with everything from setup to cleanup, ensuring everything ran smoothly. We were able to use our new BBQs, purchased through the Parents and Friends group, for this event.

As we approach this Sunday, we wish all our mums a Happy Mother's Day! I hope your day is filled with love and happiness. A special thank you to our dedicated Parents and Friends Committee for their efforts in helping our students select and provide gifts for our mothers this week. We also appreciate all the donations from our parent community that supported this occasion.

Energy Breakthrough Team

Last weekend, our Energy breakthrough team competed in the Casey Fields 6-hour EBT event. The team had a brilliant day, and their training paid off with a great result on the day. Ecorush came 2nd place and Torpeco placed 3rd. Well done to our EBT team for their training and effort in this event.

Regards Bec and Kim

Calendar of Events **Term 2 2025**

Tuesday 22nd April – Friday 4th July

Term 2

9th May - Mothers & Special Persons Stall
7th-9th May- Grade 6 Camp- Burnside Anglesea
13th May – Foundation Parent Information Session 9:15am-10am & 6pm-6:45pm
16th May – Division Cross Country
20th May – EAL Kyabram Excursion
30th May – Division Hockey – Ironbark Hockey Centre
4th & 5th June – Division Soccer

Wellbeing

The Wellbeing Team are seeking volunteers to support our Breakfast Club program, currently running on Mondays, Tuesdays and Wednesdays from 8:30am – 9:00am. With your help, we aim to expand this program to provide breakfast to students every weekday. If you're interested in joining our team, please reach out to Ricky at 03 5443 0799 for more information. Your contribution can make a meaningful difference in the lives of our students. Regards Ricky, Brioney, Bec & Jorja

Students of the week - Term 2 Week 3 – ASSEMBLY

Please come along to our assembly this Friday to celebrate the achievements of these amazing students!

Junior School Awards		
Prep M	Jade W	For demonstrating all the qualities of a student of the week, being kind, caring, respectful and trying her best!
Prep C	Reuben	For being responsible with his learning and leading by example.
Prep D	Adriana H	For approaching all her learning tasks with a positive attitude.
Prep H	Amaad	For doing a great job sounding out words when writing.
1F	Parker P	For being a responsible learner and taking care with his learning.
1G	Alexi	For making excellent progress with her reading and always taking responsibility for her learning.
1AK	Paru	For being a kind and caring classmate and for always helping others.
1M	Wren	For showing responsibility in her learning by aspiring to complete her best writing yet!
1A	Phoebe	For being a helpful member of the class, respecting all of her peers, and giving her best during her learning.
2F	Harlow	For always being an organised and hardworking student who takes responsibility for her own learning every day.
2E	Hassan	For demonstrating responsibility by being well-organized, ready to start task work!
2TD	Keyaan B	For being a responsible learner by listening carefully and contributing to discussions.
2K	Joann	For always being responsible in class by being organised and ready to learn.

Senior School Awards		
3R	Makai S	For taking on feedback at the start of the week, turning it around and having a positive week. Giving his best effort to all learning tasks.
3V	Bradley S	For giving his best effort in all classroom tasks. His hard work and kindness make him a valued member of 3V, well done Bradley!
3C	Lachlan A	For working hard in maths and sharing his clever ideas. Well Done Lachlan!
3L	Isabella	For being a responsible and respectful learner!
4O	Kara	For always putting in her best effort and approaching all tasks with a positive attitude!
4HW	Molly	For always working hard and looking for ways to challenge herself.
4CL	Isabella B	For always trying her best to be organised and using a growth mindset.
4G	Kai	For challenging himself in writing and working hard to find ways to improve in the classroom.
5D	Bill	For spending more time on tasks, improving his results!
5PB	Oliver	For having strategic discussions during his maths extension group.

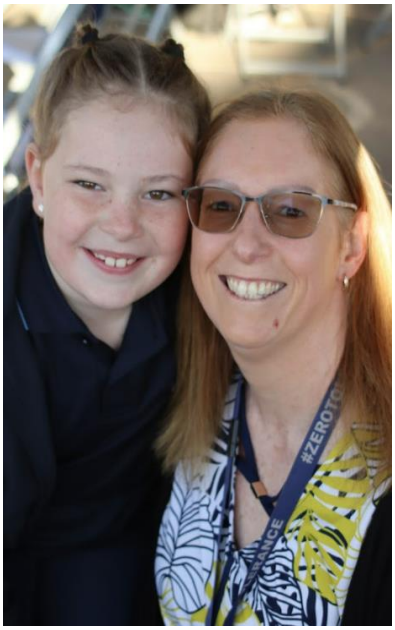
5W	Jackson S	For being responsible for his belongings and always ready to learn.
5B	Adrian	For putting his best effort into planning and writing about the trapdoor spider.

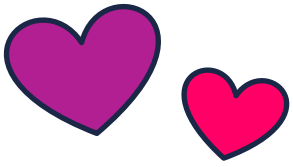
Specialists

Art Mrs White	Kiki B (2TD)	Kiki enjoyed learning about the artist Frida and confidently shared his ideas, expressing himself through a watercolour artwork and a detailed drawing of Friday.
STEM Mrs Hauxwell	2E	For showing curiosity and having their best STEM session yet!
STEM Mrs Treloar	Beau (1G)	For confidently sharing his scientific knowledge about the properties of materials with his peers.
Chinese Qiang Fu	1G	For showing their passion to learn Chinese and actively participate in the classroom activities.
Music Mr Marsh	Dahlia Htoo Isabella Poe Hsa Ka Paw Mu	For her band audition which involved some delightful singing and keyboard skills. For her amazing rap skills, and her very comprehensive keyboard skills. For being the first music sound tech trainee for WHPS.

Well Done to all our Students!

Mothers/Special Person Breakfast





Victorian Premiers' Reading Challenge

The Victorian Premiers' Reading Challenge is now open and White Hills Primary School is excited to be taking part!

The Challenge is open to all Victorian children from birth to Year 10 and aims to help young readers develop a lifelong love of reading.

It is not a competition; it is a personal challenge for children to read a set number of books by 5th September 2025.

Children from Prep to Year 2 are encouraged to read or 'experience' 30 books with their parents and teachers. Children from Year 3 to Year 10 are challenged to read 15 books.

All children who meet the Challenge will receive a certificate of achievement signed by the Victorian Premier and former Premiers.

This year, the Challenge is celebrating its 20th anniversary with the theme '20 years of words and wonder' and a year of special activities. For details, follow the Victorian Premiers' Reading Challenge Facebook

Since it began in 2005, more than 4.5 million young readers have taken part and together read more than 63 million books!

To read the Premier's letter to parents, view the booklist and for more information about the Victorian Premiers' Reading Challenge, visit www.vic.gov.au/premiers-reading-challenge

You can also contact our school's Challenge coordinator, Miss Alison O'Neill and Mrs Alison Hawkey with any questions.

Happy reading!

Are you a parent or carer of a child living with a disability, neurodiversity or mental illness?

You can attend a free 30 minute one on one session with a qualified social worker from RIAC, at school.

- Learn about available supports and services appropriate to the needs of your child.
- Learn strategies to confidently advocate for your child.

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To book an appointment, please contact Brioney in the Wellbeing Team

Please feel free to drop in or contact the admin team if you need any help.

Regards,
Sabina, Danni, Alannah