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Term 2 Week 11 June 27th 2024 Newsletter

News from the School Leaders:

Dear parents and carers,

It has been a great week at White Hills Primary School with our whole school performance of Cinderella. This was a fun and vibrant performance, enjoyed by both students and teachers. Our Grade 3 students have had a busy week with their visit to Quantum in Melbourne.

End of Term Arrangements

Tomorrow will be the last day of term with an *early finish at 2.30pm.* To celebrate an amazing term, it will be a casual clothes day. We ask that you ensure that clothing is suitable for the cold weather conditions. Please bring along a gold coin donation, with proceeds going to the Cancer Council supporting prevention, research, treatment and support of cancer in Australia.

Any parents requiring student medication returned for the holiday period, may pick this up from the office before the end of the day.

We hope that all families have a wonderful break, and we look forward to an exciting Term 3.

Compass

Student Semester One reports have been released on Compass to show the learning growth of our students across the semester. Our teachers look forward to meeting with you on Wednesday, 17th July for Parent Teacher Conferences.

Our format has changed this year from a 'Student Led Conference' to a 'Parent Teacher Conference'. This will provide

Key Objectives for the meeting:

- meet and get to know each other
- build a positive relationship
- · share information about your child's interests and learning
- talk more in-depth about your child's student report.

The specialist teachers will be offering an alternative showcase of their subjects during the day with more information to come closer to the date. We look forward to strengthening our positive parent and school partnership during these interviews.

Bookings for Parent Teacher Conferences are now available on Compass.

Canteen Change - Term 3

As of Term 3, the cut off time for the canteen ordering will be **3pm**. Orders must be placed the day prior by 3pm sharp. Peppergreen catering will still be our lunch provider for White Hills Primary School. No late order will be accepted.

Parent-Teacher Conferences

Parent -Teacher Conferences will be held on Wednesday July 17th. These will be held between 10.00am and 6.00pm. Students will only attend during their scheduled conference on this day. Parents/carers will be provided the opportunity to book an appointment using Compass. Bookings will open on Monday 24th June following the conclusion of the school day. Students will be attending with their parent/s and participating, where appropriate.

Upcoming Curriculum Day

Monday 29th July, will be a Curriculum day (pupil free). Staff will be continuing their professional learning in Writing using the 6+1 Traits of Writing. We look forward to deepening our knowledge in the writing traits on this day.

Attendance Morning Tea

Tomorrow at 10.45pm will be our attendance morning tea. Students who have achieved 95% or more attendance will be invited to a morning tea with Mr Arrowsmith.

Fresh Fruit Friday

We are excited to share that our Fresh Fruit Friday program has evolved! Now, students can enjoy fresh fruit every day, thanks to a new fruit display and trolley. This change allows our students to have healthy snacks available throughout the week, promoting better eating habits. We are incredibly grateful to the McKern Foundation for their ongoing support. Their generous weekly supply of fresh fruit has made this improvement possible. Thank you, McKern Foundation, for helping us promote a healthier lifestyle for our students! Let's continue to enjoy fresh fruit and prioritise wellness together.



Wattervale Farm

It has been wonderful to see our community supporting our Wattlevale Farm Market Stall. The stall will be packed up during the holidays and will be back again for Term 3 with some delicious fresh seasonal produce.

Tag On

It has been awesome to see a high level of support for our new Tag On. Next term WHPS will be getting a 3rd Kiosk for students to tag on in the morning. This will be located outside of the art room, near the Prep sandpit. This will help with students tagging on each day.

Here is our weekly Tag On results:

1st	Raglan	758
2nd	Bosquet	706
3rd	Napier	692
4th	Plumridge	672
Tags on today	Tags on so far	Total Students using Tag on
197	2828	395

Wishing everyone a wonderful and safe holiday.

Regards Craig, Bec and Kim

Acknowledgment of Country

We at White Hills Primary School, acknowledge the Dja Dja Wurrung people as the traditional owners of the land where we live, learn and grow.

We recognise their continued connection to land, water and community. We pay our respect to Elders of the past, present and emerging. We extend our respect to all First Nations People visiting our school community.



Week 10 Students of the Week Look at these achievers from last week!



Congratulations to Arlia D on receiving last weeks Principal Award

Arlia will receive her Award in Term 3

Grade 3 Visit to Quantum In Melbourne























White Hills Primary School are excited to be participating in Book Week celebrations again this year.

Our Book Character Day will be on Friday 23rd August. Dress up as your favourite book character.

Start getting your costume ready for this spectacular event!



Calendar of Events

Term 2 2024 Monday 15th April – Friday 28th June

Term 2

Week 11

27th Jun – Quantum 3C & 3L Event – 8.30am – 4.30pm 28th Jun - School Assembly Everyone Welcome 2.00pm 28th Jun – Last Day Term 2 Early **Finish 2.30pm** Casual Dress Day – Gold coin donation

Happy Holidays 28th June ~ 14th July 2024

Term 3

Week 1 15th July - School Starts 17th July – Parent Teacher Conferences 10.00am – 6.00pm

Week 2 24th July – Division Netball 26th July – Ride to School

Week 3

29th July - Literacy Curriculum Day 30th July - Girls Division Footy 31st July - Boys Division Footy 31st July - Stem Incursion – Grade 5 and Selected Grade 4 Students

eSafety parents

Parental controls

Learn how to use parental controls and other tools to maximise online safety in your home.

Parental controls are software tools that allow you to monitor and limit what your child sees and does online.

They can be set up to do things like:

- **Block** your child from accessing specific websites, apps or functions (like using a device's camera, or the ability to buy things).
- **Filter** different kinds of content such as 'adult' or sexual content, social media pages and pages with content that may promote self-harm, eating disorders, violence, drugs, gambling, racism and terrorism.
- **Limit** who can communicate with your child, and manage the apps they can use to communicate with others.
- Allow you to **monitor** your child's use of connected devices, with reports on the sites they visit and the apps they use, how often and for how long.
- Set **time limits**, blocking access after a set time.

More Information can be found at: <u>eSafety-Parents Issues</u>

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: <u>www.facebook.com/adambourkedrumlessons</u>



A Summary of Brodie's Law

Bully Stoppers.

Brodie's law can apply to all forms of serious bullying, including physical bullying, psychological bullying, verbal bullying and cyber bullying.

Serious bullying may amount to a criminal offence.

In 2011, the offence of stalking in section 21A of the Crimes Act 1958 was extended to cover to behaviour that amounts to serious bullying. The offence of stalking carries a maximum penalty of 10 years imprisonment.

What behaviour leads to the application of Brodie's law?

Brodie's law can apply to all forms of serious bullying, including physical bullying, psychological bullying, verbal bullying and cyber bullying. It is not limited by the location at which the conduct occurred or was experienced by the victim. It can apply to bullying by young people in schools, although children under 10 cannot be charged with a criminal offence.

Brodie's law will apply to the most serious types of bullying behaviour. For it to apply there must be a course of conduct, that is, repeated bullying behaviour. The bully must also intend that the bullying cause physical or mental harm, including self-harm, to the victim. A possible example of when the law might apply is where a victim is repeatedly being encouraged to commit suicide.

Why is it called Brodie's law?

This law is known as 'Brodie's Law' because of a case where a young woman, Brodie Panlock, was subjected to serious and ongoing workplace bullying and eventually took her own life.

Crisis Support

Anyone who needs crisis support can call Lifeline (24 hours a day) on 13 11 14, visit the Lifeline website (https://www.lifeline.org.au/) or contact local police.









Bringing Up Great Kids

Details:

6 Face to face sessions starting Tuesday 23rd July 2024. Time 10.30am – 1pm. Date, Time & Bendigo Location 136 Williamson St Bendigo.

Cost:

This is a free program. **To Register Contact:** Jess: 0407 093 960 Kristy: 0459 249 990

Registration close 5pm 16/07/24

Overview

A mindful, reflective and respectful parenting program with a focus on building loving and nurturing relationships between parents and carers and their children.

The program supports parents and carers to understand both themselves as parents and their children through the nurturing and supportive environment of the group.

The group offers the opportunity for parents and carers to reflect on their parenting journey and build a mindful, attuned, nurturing relationships.

Program Content

The Bringing Up Great Kids program supports parents and carers to:

- Reflect on the origins of their own parenting style and how they would like to parent.
- Consider what is going on in the child's brain and the relationship to their behaviour.
- Explore communication between parents and children.
- Discover how to overcome some of the obstacles that are getting in the way of being the kind of parent they would like to be.
- Learn about the importance of parents/carers taking care of themselves, to be able to support their children to feel good about themselves.











