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News from the School Leaders:

Dear Parents and carers,

This week has been action packed with our curriculum day, Mother's and special person breakfast, Grade 6 students heading off on camp to Anglesea and our Grade 1 excursion to Echuca today, just to name a few of the many highlights for this week. Thank you to all involved. Your support and assistance in our school is always appreciated and welcome. We would also like to wish all our mums a Happy Mother's Day this Sunday. I hope your day is filled with love and happiness. Thank you to our hard-working parents and friends committee for their work in assisting our students with selecting and providing gifts for our mum's this week. Thank you to our parent community for the many donations we have received to support this occasion.

Feedback from 6th May Curriculum Day

Staff engaged in professional learning on Monday 6th May. With the focus on improving school culture, key learnings were centred around effective communication, managing differing perspectives in the workplace and the consequences of ineffective or avoidant communication. We also participated in team building activities requiring effective communication.

Just a reminder that on **Wednesday the 22nd of May there will be a Professional Practice Day (pupil free).** The focus of this day will be around assessment and reporting. Students will not need to attend school on this day.

Mother's Day / Special Person's Day Stall

Our Mother's Day Stall will be held this Friday, 10th May. Students will be able to purchase a gift for 'mum' or a 'special person' for \$2.00. Students will be able to purchase one item each and will be given an extra opportunity to purchase another gift if there are enough gifts available.

News from the School Leaders:

Move Your Way - TAG ON

Bendigo Health Services are sponsoring White Hills PS to install and use 'TAG ON" for a designated period of time later in the term. This will promote active travel to school. Each student will receive a tag (associated with their house colour) in which parents can register their code. When students arrive by walking, riding or scooting, they can 'TAG ON' at a designated Kiosk at school. This will send a notification to their registered parent to confirm arrival at school. This will help with peace of mind for parents/carers. Each time a student taps on, their house will receive a point.

We would be very grateful if you could spare a few moments to complete the linked survey (QR code) so that we can work out any important information about active travel to school. Further information about this survey can be found at the end of this week's newsletter. More information about this exciting opportunity will come in the coming weeks.

Scan to complete parent survey



District Athletics

Congratulation to those students selected to represent White Hills Primary at the District Athletics event. This team was selected from the results of our whole school event. These students will compete against students from Kennington, Strathfieldsaye, and Kennington at the Flora Hill Athletics Track, next Friday, May 17th. A detailed list of students going will be on Mr Scoble's office window and students going will receive notification via the Compass platform. Please complete the CONSENT form within the Event tab.

Regards Craig, Bec & Kim

		STUDENTS OF THE WEEK
Prep D	Tate	For the responsible way he approaches all learning tasks and activities at school.
Prep F	Reef	For taking greater responsibility for his own learning and his belongings. Great work Reef!
Prep E	Willow	For being confident and showing responsibility in the classroom!
Prep B	Isla	For being a confident reader and always trying her best in her learning.
Prep H	Layla	For working hard to practice writing her name!
1AK	Darcy P	For being a responsible learner and working hard during all classroom time.
1G	Lily B	For demonstrating responsibility, respect and leadership on our excursion to Echuca.
1F	Charlie W	For displaying our school values outside in the community
1B	Evelyn	For being responsible on the grade 1 excursion and listening to all teacher instructions
2W	James L	For showing responsibility in our classroom and really trying his best during learning time
2P		
2TD	Meelo H	For being responsible for his learning by attending Before School Reading Club
2K		
3M	Maggie A	For being a wonderful and inclusive friend to all! We are so lucky to you in 3M
3V	Scout	For showing resilience in the class and doing her best when working independently
3C	Alby	For striving to do his best and challenge himself in all areas especially maths
3L		
40	Harry LW	For settling in well to his new school! Keep up the great work Harry!
4HW	Ashton B	For sharing his thoughts and ideas more during class. It's great to see!
4BL	Indi	For setting high expectations and taking responsibility for her learning in maths
4G	Melody D	For bringing a positive attitude to school and including others.
5D	Hudson C	For still aspiring to be his best with a broken collarbone
5R	Sarmad I	Sarmad is an extremely responsible student who always demonstrates our school values with pride.
5W	Coen R	For demonstrating a responsible attitude towards his learning.
Sports Award Mr Scoble	Hazel 3M	For her excellent persistence during our hockey unit.
STEM Mrs Treloar	Poppy R 4HW	For having a curious mind and always challenging Mrs Treloar with her tricky science questions.
STEM Mrs Millard	Logan M 5W	For regularly participating in class discussions and his persistence when working on tasks to create circuits that work.
Art Mrs.Watchman	Oscar 4G	For creating a fabulous Monet's Garden drawing
Music Mr Marsh	Chad S	Congratulations to Chad for being the latest band member to join our school rock band. He showed great persistence with his auditions, resilience when he didn't first make it, and sheer hard work to improve his skills and be successful. To our first cornet player in band, well done!
Art Miss Hivon		

Mother's / Special Person Stall

Tomorrow \$2 per student Please supply a bag with your child to bring the gift home in



School Beanies for sale at the office \$13:00 each





Calendar of Events Term 2 2024

Monday 15th April – Friday 28th June

Term 2

Week 4

10th May - Foundation - Year 5 Mother's Day Stall \$2 each student

10th May - School Assembly Everyone Welcome 3.00pm

Week 5

14th May – 2025 Foundation Parent Information Session 9:15am & 6:00pm

13th May - School Council Meeting

16th May – Multi Age Day (Held at School)

17th May - District Athletics (Check Compass)

17th May - School Assembly Everyone Welcome 3.00pm

Week 6

21st May -

22nd May – **PUPIL FREE** Staff Professional Development

May 23rd – National Simultaneous Storytime (Held at School)

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)

13th 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















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







