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Whittlesea Primary School

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PRINCIPAL REPORT

Hello everyone,

Congratulations to our SRC students for their leadership of our 'Red Nose Day' fundraiser. It was great seeing the students all dressed in red and sporting their red noses in support of such a worthy cause. SIDS (Sudden Infant Death Syndrome) still accounts for 300 young lives every year and money raised goes directly towards research and family support.



Our direction for 2022 camps is set with our Year 3/4 students proceeding with their planned camp to Bendigo / Ballarat and our senior students attending a 'City Camp' from October 19 – 21. Both will be curriculum rich experiences where students will develop independence and confidence through hands on learning. Thank you to the Year 3/4 and 5/6 teams for their planning so far. The newly adopted city camp will feature experiences such as Old Melbourne Gaol, the MCG, the Shrine of Remembrance and a Street Art Walking Tour. For a bit of fun, the students will also attend a night pool session at the Melbourne Sports and Aquatic Centre and the movies at Crown!

Planning for 2023 has commenced and various operational plans are being formed. One of these relates to a fourth specialist program. With the introduction of a new workplace agreement between the government and school employees, teachers now require three and a half hours of non-face to face time during the 25 hours of learning in schools. As a result, we will look to introduce an additional specialist program in 2023. In doing so, we wish to hear from you on what area of the curriculum you'd like to see delivered through a specialist teacher.

I invite all families to click the link and give your ideas on a new specialist program for 2023 - https://forms.office.com/r/EJbwHMAJ4N

On Tuesday August 23rd our school council warmly welcome our community to the Annual General Meeting for Whittlesea Primary School. This special public meeting of council is held once a year in addition to our normal schedule of council meetings. The meeting commences at 6pm in the staffroom and is open to all parents/carers. All attendees are required to register their attendance by calling 9716 2140.

Good luck to our District Athletics team who compete next week!

Have a great weekend,

Ty Hoggins Principal

CALENDAR

August 22	Smile Squad	
	(Dental Van)	
August 24	Book Week	
	Dress Up Day	
	3/ 4 Camp Info	
	Night	
August 30	Student	
	Learning	
	Learning	

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

Wishing the following children a very Happy Birthday!

14th August Nate 00M Isabelle 1/2B

15th AugustMackenzie 00P
Chase 5/6P
Anakin 5/6RM

17th August Kodi 1/2P

18th AugustJordan 1/2E
Savanah 5/6V
Campbell 5/6P

19th **August** Abigail 1/2E



ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL REPORT

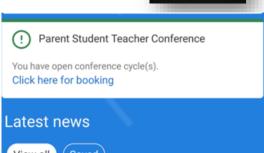
Hello everyone,

On Tuesday 30th August we will host Student Learning Conferences. Students will not be required at school. Staff will facilitate a 15-minute conference with each student and their parents/carers, between 11.00AM and 6.45PM. The adjusted day will support working families to attend with their child/ren later in the afternoon/evening. Students are expected to attend their conference with their parent/carer, to share and celebrate their learning growth.



Conference booking times are now available through Compass. To book an appointment, access your child's profile via Compass using the App. If you do not have access to Compass, please call the office to access your Compass login or book an appointment time.

With the updates to Covid-19 restrictions, it is no longer a requirement for visitors (i.e., parents and carers) to be vaccinated however, mask wearing indoors is encouraged.



Please note that Theircare will be open on Tuesday 30th August for long day care. Bookings can be made through their website www.theircare.com.au.

The Victorian State Schools Spectacular is fast approaching. Next Wednesday, 17th August, our choir attend their second intensive rehearsal at the Melbourne Town Hall. For those students attending, we will be leaving at 8.00AM. Please meet Mrs Gittos and Mr Watts at the Staff Carpark gate at 7.50AM. We anticipate our return to be between 4.30-5.00PM. A text massage will be sent when we are 15 minutes away, to assist with pick up.



Tickets are still available via Ticketek. If you would like to purchase tickets and support a cast and crew of over 3000 Primary and Secondary students, not to mention our Whittlesea Primary School students, go to www.ticketek.com/spectacular

If you are purchasing tickets, the best seating options to view our school's performances are:

DANCE: Sect. 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, 47, 48, 49, 50 **CHOIR:** Sect. 9, 10, 31, 32, 33, 56, 57, 58

We have now officially switched to Academy Uniforms and our new uniform will be available for purchase from their store in Thomastown from Saturday 17th September. The soft-shell jacket will be available from mid-October. All remaining stock of our current school uniform will be sold through the main office from Tuesday 16th August, with a 20% discount off the recommended retail price. This clearance sale is for the remainder of this term only and will be available between 9.00-9.30AM and 2.30PM-4.00PM.

Thank you for your generous donations in support of our SRC Red Nose Day fundraiser. Our school has raised \$647.00. Well done to everyone for 'rocking the red' today and to all our SRC representatives for their work, selling Red Nose Day merchandise throughout the breaks this week.

Best wishes for a wonderful weekend with your family \bigcirc



Rae Gittos **Assistant Principal**

STUDENT ACHIEVEMENT



Term 3, Week 4

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For: his excellent efforts in sounding out his words and using them to create descriptive		
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Term 3, Week 5

Foundation P	Awarded to: Charlotte Cusinato		
Perry	For: applying herself to her writing about Bundoora Farm.		
Foundation M	Awarded to: Tyler Pearse		
Merritt	For: showing confidence when presenting his inquiry action in front of the class. Fantastic!		
Foundation G	Awarded to: Tahlia Spiden		
Gordan	For: doing your best and showing confidence in measurement. Great work Tahlia!		
Year 1/2JA	Awarded to: Azariah Thomas		
Fontana/Kaur	For: continually showing the school expectation 'Do your best' when completing the inquiry design models.		
Year 1/2P	Awarded to: Danny Bux		
Powell	For: staying on topic when writing his inquiry speech about the gym he is designing.		
Year 1/2M	Awarded to: Joseph Perinovic		
Maxfield	For: creating a great model of his Whittlesea Rocket Launch Pad		
Year 1/2E	Awarded to: Kaden Clapton		
Barker	For: his excellent work identifying digraphs ch, sh, th in his texts this week!		
Year 1/2B	Awarded to: Lachlan Abbott		
Burgess	For: exceptional use of persuasive language in his writing for Inquiry.		
Year 3/4WM	Awarded to: Zoe Elsey		
Walsh/McCormick	For: having a positive attitude towards her learning		
Year 3/4D	Awarded to: Nate Charles		
Di Mauro	For: dedicating him to his learning and working towards his personal best.		
Year 3/4L	Awarded to: Nicole Baxter		
De Luca	For: putting in lots of effort and presenting an excellent presentation on her innovation!		
Year 3/4W	Awarded to: Diamond Tohow		
Wright	For: using paragraphs in her writing		
Year 3/4C	Awarded to: Mercedes Marcu		
Cummins	For: displaying initiative and teamwork when working on the 'Squishies' innovation.		
Year 5/6G	Awarded to: Zoe Hawking		
Gorski	For: completing her perimeter and area learning with a positive mindset.		
Year 5/6RM	Awarded to: Charlee Morley		
Reid/McAlley	For: making fantastic connections in your learning and positive class discussion contributions		
Year 5/6V	Awarded to: Lincoln Andersen-Wells		
, Vitale	For: his outstanding contribution and ideas when drafting the class informative text. Keep it up,		
	Lincoln! (3)		
Year 5/6T	Awarded to: Lola Volkanovski		
Tuppen	For: challenging herself and extending her maths skills. Well done, Lola!		
Year 5/6P	Awarded to: Logan Ford		
Panahinejad	For: outstanding prolem solving skills in maths		







5/6 Term 3 Sport Round 4 Fixture

HOME TEAM	AWAY TEAM	Basketball/Volleyball	Softball
St Mary's	Whittlesea A (Gold)	St Mary's	No game
Whittlesea B (Blue)	BYE		

BOOK WEEK

This year, Book Week is from Monday 22nd August – Friday 26th August with the theme being,

'Dreaming with eyes open...'.

We are excited to announce that our Book Fair is back! The Book Fair will be held in the senior library from Tuesday 23rd August – Friday 26th August. It will be open before school **and** after school on these days. There will be a huge range of books for sale, in addition to bookmarks, pencils and novelty items.

Our whole school Book Week Parade will be held on Wednesday 24th August from 9:10am on the basketball courts at the top of the school. Students are encouraged to dress up as their favourite book character. We also encourage younger siblings and our Pre-Foundation students to join and dress up!

Keep an eye out across the school for 'Book Doors' which will soon begin to appear. Book Doors are doors that have been decorated to match a classes favourite book.

Samantha McCormick Literacy Learning Specialist



Bring Your Own Device Program Overview

Whittlesea Primary School is continuing to have great success in building a digital rich learning program which is supported by the 1:1 BYOD (Bring Your Own Device) initiative. Students in Years 3-6 take part in the program where students use their personal computers during regular classroom activities. The BYOD program gives students and teachers opportunities to have a dynamic program which balances traditional offline tasks with a range of digital learning activities that reinforce core concepts as well as equip students with practical, future-ready skills.

Teachers and students leverage a rich online learning environment through the Department of Education's endorsed software package; *EduStar*. By implementing the full range of Microsoft365 applications for education, teachers continue to provide high quality lessons, facilitate personalised feedback, and collaborative conferences. Having a personal device that travels with the student each day, further strengthens the connection between home and school, capturing student learning in a digital portfolio.

In 2023, we will once again partner with EduNet to support the BYOD program. EduNet is an Authorized DET Supplier of digital technologies for Schools. Devices are delivered to the school, pre-loaded with all of the software that students need to be successful in their learning, including; software, network, internet and security settings.



The online ordering portal is accessible via http://whittleseaps.technologyportal.com.au.
The Access Code you will need to access the portal is WhittleseaPSBYOD.

An information night is to be scheduled in the upcoming weeks for further details.



Child Safe Standards

As of the 1st of July 2022, new and updated Child Safe Standards have come into effect across Victoria. The standards have been updated from seven to eleven standards. As a school, we are mandated to comply with the standards and ensure the safety of all our students.

The Child Safe Standards include new requirements to keep students safe covering:

- the involvement of families and students in child safety efforts
- Schools' focus for Aboriginal children and young people
- better management of the risk of child abuse in online environments

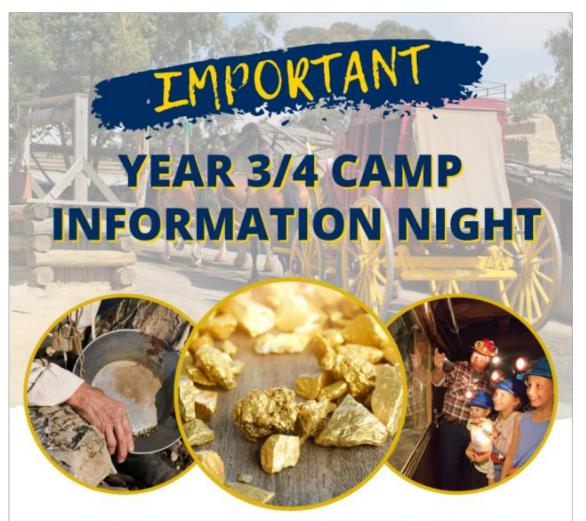
The new standards also provide greater clarity for organisations, including schools, on the minimum actions required to meet each standard.

Schools are required to have updated policies incorporating the standard. Our associated Child Safe policies can be found on our school website at https://whittleseaps.vic.edu.au/
Our School – Plans, Reports and Policies.

Associated policies include:

- Child Safe Policy
- Child Safety Code of Conduct
- Child Safety Responding and Reporting Obligations Policy and Procedures

Victoria's new Child Safe Standards				
Child Safe Standard 1 — Organisations establish a culturally safe environment in which the diverse and unique identities and experiences of Aboriginal children young people are respected and valued	Child Safe Standard 7 — Processes for complaints and concerns are child focused			
Child Safe Standard 2 — Child safety and wellbeing is embedded in organisational leadership, governance and culture	Child Safe Standard 8 – Staff and volunteers are equipped with the knowledge, skills and awareness to keep children and young people safe through ongoing education and training			
Child Safe Standard 3 - Children and young people are empowered about their rights, participate in decisions affecting them and are taken seriously	Child Safe Standard 9 — Physical and online environments promote safety and wellbeing while minimising the opportunity for children and young people to be harmed			
Child Safe Standard 4 — Families and communities are informed, and involved in promoting child safety and wellbeing	Child Safe Standard 10 — Implementation of the Child Safe Standards is regularly reviewed and improved			
Child Safe Standard 5 — Equity is upheld and diverse needs respected in policy and practice	Child Safe Standard 11 – Policies and procedures document how the organisation is safe for children and young people			
Child Safe Standard 6 – People working with children and young people are suitable and supported to reflect child safety and wellbeing values in practice	*The Child Safe Standards are reflected for a school's context in Ministerial Order 1359			



Wednesday 24th August, 5:30pm - 6:30pm in the gymnasium

On the night, we will be providing families with information regarding staffing, where students will be staying, the itinerary, the menu, and what students are to bring on camp. Students are welcome to attend.

Attend in person (gymnasium) or online - Please call 9716 2140 for online registrations



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CAMP PAYMENT PLAN INSALMENTS

2022 Camp Instalment Dates

Year 3/4 Camp

Payment 1: \$73.60 25th March Payment 2: \$78.20 29th April

Payment 3: \$73.60 27th May Payment 4: \$78.20 24th June Payment 5: \$78.20 22nd July

Payment 6: \$78.20 19th August

Year 5/6 Camp

Payment 1: \$71.88 25th March Payment 2: \$77.87 15th April

Payment 3: \$71.88 13th May Payment 4: \$77.87 10th June

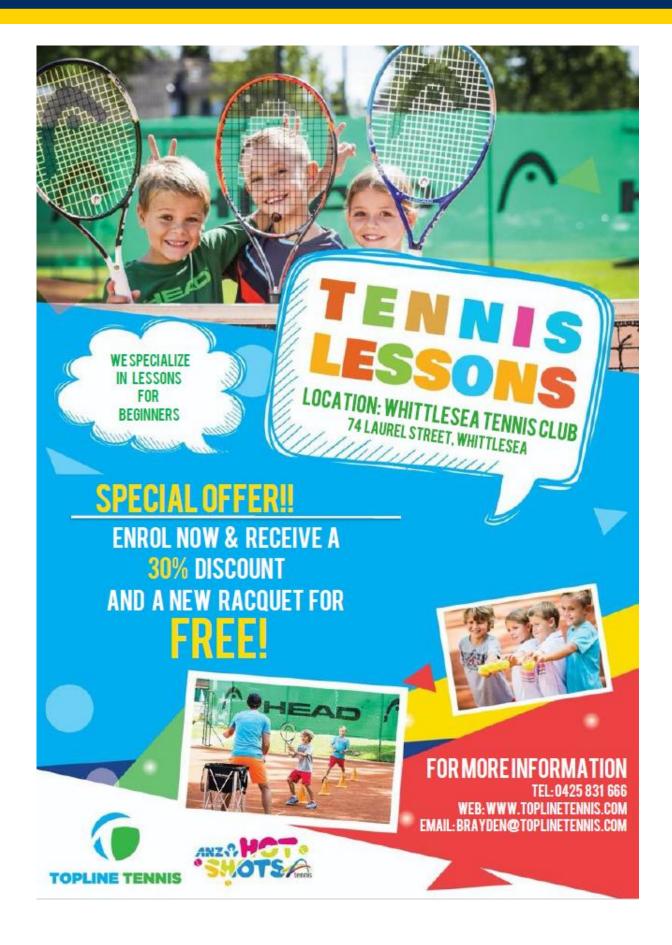
Payment 5: \$71.88 8th July Payment 6: \$77.87 5th August

Payment 7: \$71.88 2nd Sep

Payment 8: \$77.87 30th Sept

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