

Issue 26- 26th August 2022

PRINCIPAL TEAM REPORT

Hello everyone

It's been another busy week and with only three weeks left this term, there is still a lot happening. Firstly, how good was our Bookweek parade. It was great to see the students and staff dressed up for the day. Well done to everyone for their creative efforts. Special mention to Mrs McCormick for her organisation, ensuring the parade went off without a hitch and might I also say, how amazing was her costume 'Sam's Sandwich'.



The scholastic book sale has, once again, been a huge success. This morning, without including the sales from this afternoon, we have sold almost \$4000 worth of stock and merchandise. Our school will receive a percentage of the proceeds to purchase new books for our libraries. Thank you to Mrs Willis for hosting this for us!

At school council on Tuesday night, we finalised some key dates for the end of Terms 3 and 4. With the new Victorian Government Schools Agreement now in place, schools are required to plan for staff Professional Practice Days. The following dates have been approved by school council. Several dates had already been approved at the commencement of this school year. Please add these important dates to your calendar.

- **Tuesday 30th August** – Student Learning Conferences, adjusted day, student only attend their scheduled conference
- **Thursday 15th September** – Professional Practice Day, students not required at school
- **Friday 16th September** – Footy Day (last day of Term 3, 2.30PM finish)
- **Monday 31st October** – Curriculum/Report Writing Day, students not required at school
- **Tuesday 1st November** – Melbourne Cup, Public Holiday, students not required at school
- **Monday 19th December** – Last day of Term 4 for students, 3.15PM finish
- **Tuesday 20th December** – Professional Practice Day, students not required at school

CALENDAR

August 30	Student Learning Conferences (Students not required at school)
August 31	BYOD Info Night 5.30pm
September 12-14	3/4 Ballarat/Bendigo Camp
September 15	Staff PPD (Students not required at school)
September 16	Footy Day End of Term 3 2.30pm finish

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

Wishing the following children a very Happy Birthday!

28th August

Lily 1/2B
Lottie 1/2M
Ivy 3/4W

29th August

Peyton 1/2E
Ariah 1/2M

30th August

Charlotte 00P

31st August

Ajay 5/6V
Katherine 5/6V



On Wednesday night, we held our camp information nights. It was great to share our plans for both the 3/4 and 5/6 camp with students and their families. So much time and effort and gone into planning these amazing experiences and we know the students are going to have a fabulous time. Thank you to Mrs McCormick and Mr McAlley for the time they have put into organising the finer details leading up to both camping experiences.

Bring Your Own Device Program - Information Session

We would like to invite families to an information session about our Bring Your Own Device (BYOD) Program for 2023. The BYOD Program operates across Years 3-6 so if your child is transitioning to Year 3 or you are yet to purchase a device for children currently in Years 3-5, we encourage you to attend next Wednesday 31st August, at 5.30PM in the gym. Please contact the office if you would like to register for the online Webex link if you cannot attend in person.

Next Thursday, some of our Year 5/6 students head off to the Senior Primary Hooptime Tournament at Diamond Valley Basketball Stadium. Students will meet at the gym at 8.15AM, leaving promptly at 8.30AM. Students will return before the end of the school day.

SCHOOL HATS ARE BACK! Yes, its earlier than normal but with the changes to the Department SunSmart Policy, students are required to wear their WPS school logo hat from mid-August through to the end of April the following year. We have a small supply for sale at the office for \$16. Hats will also be available through Academy Uniforms in Thomastown from Saturday 17th September.



Student Learning Conferences are next Tuesday. Students are only required to attend their scheduled conference. Please contact your child's classroom teacher through Compass or the office if you still need to make a time.

Best wishes for a wonderful weekend with your family 😊

Ty Hoggins & Rae Gittos
Principal Team

★ Star of the Week ★

Foundation P Black	Awarded to: Hunter Jones For: naming cubes, spheres and cylinders and finding them in our classroom.
Foundation M Merritt	Awarded to: Thomas Bodagh For: showing confidence when learning about 2D shapes. Fantastic!
Foundation G Gordan	Awarded to: Scarlet-Ava Scott For: doing her best when applying her letter sound knowledge in her writing. Great work!
Year 1/2JA Fontana/Kaur	Awarded to: Nella Kessler For: doing her best in learning and using the skimming and scanning strategy for reading comprehension.
Year 1/2P Powell	Awarded to: Levi Oakley For: taking his time while practising his reading goal of self-monitoring
Year 1/2M Maxfield	Awarded to: Aria Gillan For: following in her Book Week costume role as 'Jane Austen' by writing wonderful stories.
Year 1/2E Barker	Awarded to: Miley Walker For: breaking her Weekly Whittlesea Spelling words into syllables and sounding out each sound to spell her words correctly.
Year 1/2B Burgess	Awarded to: Andre Tanaoi- McMaster For: continually doing his best and showing improvement when reading aloud to his teacher and peers.
Year 3/4WM Walsh/McCormick	Awarded to: Asha Abeling For: taking on constructive feedback to improve her autobiography. Great work Asha!
Year 3/4D Di Mauro	Awarded to: Jack West For: Trying his hardest this week to focus on improving his handwriting.
Year 3/4L De Luca	Awarded to: Archer Holmes For: doing his best to complete tasks efficiently and asking for help when needed!
Year 3/4W Wright	Awarded to: Monica D'Amico For: consistently working hard during writing sessions.
Year 3/4C Cummins	Awarded to: Logan Kendall For: using precise vocabulary in his informative text on the gold rush. Great work, Logan!
Year 5/6G Gorski	Awarded to: Alannah Purcell For: supporting her peers to succeed with their learning tasks, whilst completing her own learning to a high standard.
Year 5/6RM Reid/McAlley	Awarded to: William Hocking For: working diligently to complete your maths project and focusing on your organisation this week – keep up a great effort.
Year 5/6V Vitale	Awarded to: Alexander Peters For: doing his personal best by working out the area and perimeter of his robot in maths. Well done, Alex! 😊
Year 5/6T Tuppen	Awarded to: Annabella Parore For: Creating an engaging information text about black holes, using topic specific vocabulary.
Year 5/6P Panahinejad	Awarded to: Campbell Willoughby For: her improved reading skills



Week 7 STOW



Premier's Reading Challenge



Principal Award



Learning Legends

SPORTS REPORT

5/6 Term 3 Sport Round 6 Fixture (02/09/2022)

Whittlesea A (Playing session 3 & 4)	Hazel Glen College	Whittlesea P.S	Whittlesea P.S
Whittlesea B	Mernda B	Whittlesea P.S	Whittlesea P.S

THE VICTORIAN STATE SCHOOLS SPECTACULAR

The Victorian State Schools Spectacular is now only weeks away.



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

UP COMMUNITY CARD FUNDRAISING

United Petrol have teamed up with Whittlesea Primary School assist with the schools fundraising. With the Whittlesea Primary School UP Community card, you'll receive a 2 cents per litre discount at participating United service stations and a 2 cents per litre rebate will be provided to Whittlesea Primary School. So this means you'll enjoy great savings on your fuel, whilst supporting Whittlesea Primary School when you fill up at a participating United service station.

Register here: <https://www.unitedpetroleum.com.au/fuel-discount-cards/up-community/whittlesea-primary-school/>

You now have the choice of a digital or plastic fuel discount card.



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 Microsoft 365 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.

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\$1,043.38

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\$1,431.66

*prices include imaging and 3-year onsite

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.

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