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Michael Kent - PRINCIPAL

Hello everyone, and welcome to the final newsletter of term 1. Thank-you to everyone who has supported our students in making such a positive start to the school year. We have achieved a lot over the course of the term and we are proud of all of our students and appreciate the ongoing support of our families!

Wishing you all a wonderful Easter and school holiday break, and I hope you all enjoy the opportunity of catching up with friends and family over the next two weeks.

Colour Run

I extend a HUGE thank-you to all of our community for embracing the 2024 colour run! All the students had a fantastic time in celebrating the day and fundraising for the school. It was so wonderful to see so many of our community in attendance to support and make the day so special for the students. We are excited to announce that all of you have helped to raise \$20,000.00 for the school. All of this money will go towards our Year P-2 playground. This playground will be a reinstatement of the playground we lost due to our new building. Thank-you so much to everyone your fundraising efforts!!

RCH Fundraising

Congratulations to Minnie Williams for instigating our fundraiser for the Royal Childrens Hospital. Thanks to everyone for their contributions so such a wonderful cause. WHPS managed to raise \$530 for RCH. I hope you and your family never have the need to access the hospital but we are so grateful for your support.



Student Led Conference

Congratulations to all of our year 1-6 students for their student led conferences this week. It was a great opportunity to share the learning progress with our families and teachers. We are excited about the term ahead and sharing in the individual learning goals that each student is working towards.



2024 Term 1

TERM 2 commences
Monday 15th April

SCHOOL PHOTO DAYS
Wednesday 1st May
&
Friday 10th May

**Have a safe and
happy
Easter Holiday
Break**

Term Dates 2024

Term 1: January 31 – March 28
Term 2: April 15 – June 28
Term 3: July 15 – September 20
Term 4: October 7 – December 20

Naplan

Congratulations again to all of our year 3 and 5 students on their completion of the 2024 NAPLAN tests. We are so proud of all your efforts and whilst we look forward to receiving the results we know that is not defining of all that you can be!

Harmony Week

All the classes enjoyed Harmony week last week and our student community leaders have worked hard to develop a wonderful reflective learning opportunity for everyone and to contribute to a whole school display that's sitting proudly in the front office. Harmony Week is the celebration that recognises our diversity and brings together Australians from all different backgrounds. It's all about inclusiveness, respect and a sense of belonging for everyone.



Easter Raffle

Thanks to everyone who supported the Easter raffle. We drew the winners at today's assembly! Enjoy the chocolate treats over the break. The money raised will also contribute to our Prep-2 playground.



Canteen

Apologies to everyone for the mix up this week with our lunch order provisions. Due to a power outage we were restricted in our offerings. Cars will be in touch with families to determine any credits from Wednesday's orders.

WHPS School Council

We acknowledge our 2024 school council group and thank everyone for their nominations. Charlotte Bethune (President), Xi Huang-Leaver (Vice-President), Penny Stammers (Treasurer), Steven Clough (Minute secretary), Tassia Moniz, Andrea Lally, Jasmina Bojadzieva, Peta Beattie, Rebecca Nisbet, Adrian LoRicco, Jordyn Booth, Tony Ryan, Michael Kent.

**Thanks again to everyone for a wonderful term of learning at WHPS.
We look ahead with excitement to term 2. This will commence on
Monday 15th April.
Have a wonderful break everyone.**

Kind regards,

Michael

Thank You

Success Teamwork Respect Individuality Visionary Effort !!



Mindfulness/Cognitive Behaviour Therapy Program Commencing April 16 2024!

Mindfulness practice promotes resilience, improves self-esteem, and increases confidence. Cognitive Behaviour Therapy promotes understanding of experiences to create change in thoughts, feelings and behaviours.

Our 90-minute, 10-week group program is structured with a combination of Mindfulness and Cognitive Behaviour Therapy teachings.

The program is designed to guide children through a range of techniques and strategies to help manage their thoughts, feelings, and behaviours. It is ideal for children who are overthinkers, emotionally reactive, or experience anxiety symptoms.

Our program utilises a mix of hands-on age-appropriate relaxation strategies, skills training, cognitive behaviour therapy, mindfulness, meditation, games, and storytelling.

Suitable for children aged **8-12yrs**.

Fees:

\$ 50 per child per session

\$ 50 per child (NDIS, plan or self-managed)

\$ 500 total for a 10-week term

Medicare rebates may be available with an appropriate GP/ Paediatrician referral.

**For more information or to register your child please contact us on:
0408 038 831 or enquiry@relatetreatmentgroup.com.au**



****This structured Early Intervention Children's Mental Health Program was developed by a Mental Health Worker. In 2019 the program was nominated and short listed for a number of awards via the Australian Allied Health Awards for it's incredible success in assisting and supporting children.**

DIVISION TENNIS

We had two of our amazing tennis superstars represent WHPS in Eaglemont on Monday 18th March. We were so proud of both of the girls and their efforts on the day.

What a great experience for our students and a huge achievement for them both. 3rd Place for them in their respective pools, well done legends!



REGIONAL SWIMMING

We had two of our students Lily and Ellie represent WHPS at the Regional Swimming Carnival on Thursday 21st March. These two superstars had gotten to this extraordinary level of competition after smashing our District and Division Carnivals. We would like to celebrate their achievements and are SO proud of them! What an amazing way to end term 1 legends!

Ellie Lawrence 2nd Place 11 Year Old Backstroke
and Lily Mahkin 2nd Place 11 Year Old Freestyle and 1st Place 11 Year Old Breaststroke

We wish Lily the best of luck for the future at the State Championships on April 19th @ MSAC



FROM THE SPORTS SHED TERM 2 DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Term 2

- WHPS 3-6 House Cross Country 22nd April @ Central Oval
- WHPS 3-6 House Cross Country BACKUP 29th April @ Central Oval
- District Cross Country Monday 13th May @ Banyule Flats
- Backup District Cross Country Monday 23rd May @ Banyule Flats
- Division Cross Country Wednesday 29th May @ Banyule Flats
- Grade 3 Camp Monday June 17th- Wednesday 19th June Mount Evelyn
- Grade 4 Camp Wednesday 19th June-Friday 21st June Mount Evelyn



PARENT HELPERS NEEDED for WHPS 3-6
House Cross Country @ Central Oval
11:00am-2:00pm

Please email me if you are able to help
out

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WINTER INTERSCHOOL SPORT

Round 1 Friday 19 th April	Round 2 Friday 26 th April
<p>Streeton v Bundoora Greensborough BYE Watsonia North v Watsonia Heights (AWAY) AFL played @ Binnak Park, Soccer @ Warrawee Park, Netball and Softball played @ school grounds. St Mary's v Norris Bank</p>	<p>Watsonia North v Streeton St Marys v Watsonia Heights (AWAY) AFL and Soccer played @ Whatmough Park; all other sports played @ school grounds. Bundoora BYE Norris Bank v Greensborough</p>
Round 3 Friday 3 rd May	Round 4 Friday 10 th May
<p>Streeton BYE Bundoora v Watsonia Heights (AWAY) AFL played @ Telfer Reserve; all other sports played @ school grounds <u>Greensborough v St. Marys</u> Norris Bank v Watsonia North</p>	<p><u>Streeton v Greensborough</u> <u>Bundoora v Watsonia North</u> St Marys BYE Watsonia Heights v Norris Bank (HOME) AFL played @ Central Park, Soccer, Netball and Softball played at school grounds.</p>
Round 5 Friday 17 th May	Round 6 Friday 24 th May
<p>Watsonia Heights v Streeton (HOME) AFL played @ Central Park, Soccer, Netball and Softball played at school grounds. <u>Greensborough v Bundoora</u> <u>Watsonia North v St Marys</u> Norris Bank BYE</p>	<p>St Marys v Streeton Watsonia Heights v Greensborough (HOME) AFL played @ Central Park, Soccer, Netball and Softball played at school grounds. Watsonia North BYE Norris Bank v <u>Bundoora</u></p>
Round 7 Friday 31 st May	<p>Due to wet weather cancellation. Make up round 1- Friday 7th June Make up round 2- Friday 14th June</p>
<p>Bundoora v <u>St Marys</u> Watsonia Heights BYE <u>Greensborough v Watsonia North</u> Streeton v Norris Bank</p>	<p>Finals day 14th June if make up round 2 not required due to wet weather cancellation. Make up round 1- Friday 7th June Make up round 2 or Finals- Friday 14th June Finals day- Friday 21st June.</p>

SUMMER INTERSCHOOL SPORTS FINALS RESULTS

Basketball Girls = 2nd
Basketball Mixed = 2nd
Rounders Girls = 1st
Bat Tennis Boys = 3rd
Bat Tennis Girls = 2nd
Cricket Mixed = 5th



COLOUR RUN

Monday 25th March was filled with laughter, smiles, colour powder, and a whole lot of water! What an unreal day it was for WHPS, as we had our Colour Run for 2024. Thankyou so so much for all of our students and families for their amazing fundraising efforts. We are so lucky to be apart of such a generous community! We appreciate all of our families that came along and joined in the fun!

Prize ordering is open from today and closes April 17th 2024. Make sure you get all your prizes ordered so you don't miss out!



Miss Massa

COLOUR RUN



Miss Massa

HOUSE CUP GRAND FINAL

What a brilliant display it was for our House Cup competition. Our sport captains of WHPS have been organising an intra sport competition each Monday of the term. This has involved organising their own teams for the matches, the equipment needed, scorers and even umpires. Each game they agree on the rules and ensure that play is fair and inclusive.

Another epic term of house cup competition come to an end as we saw Wattle house be crowned our leading house soccer team! What an epic showdown it was of draws in our competition that lead to a penalty shootout till the very last minutes of our lunchtimes.





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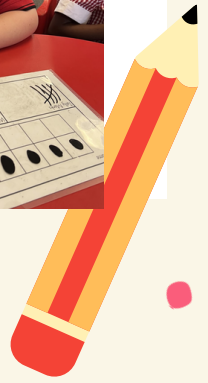
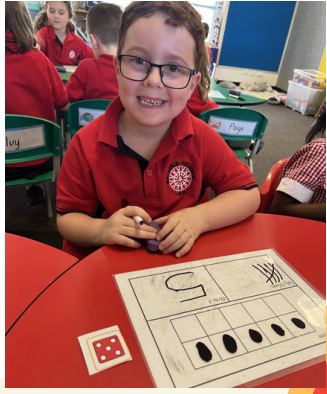
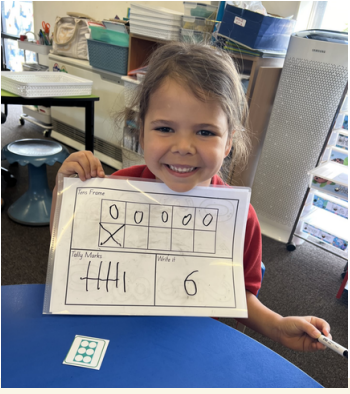
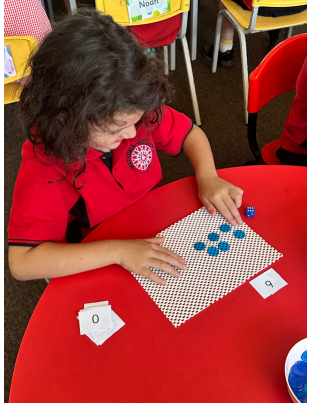
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MATHS IN PREP!

Can you believe we have already been Preppies for 36 days? As Prep super counters, we have been adding each day that we spend at school and can't wait to get to our target number, 100! This has helped us to build our knowledge of the days of the week, months of the year, and recording numbers in different ways.

We have been developing our number fluency while focusing our learning on the numbers 0-8. We have investigated the different ways to represent these numbers. For example, using tens frames, tally marks, numerals and on our hands. We continue to practice counting forwards and backwards to and from 20 and are excited to explore the 'teen' numbers next term.



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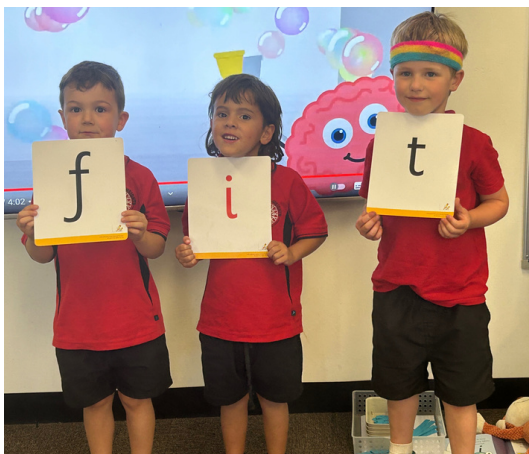
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READING IN PREP!

Have you heard about our new friend Milo Monkey? Milo Monkey is having a birthday party and we get to help him to invite a new friend each week. Only, there is a problem... Every time Milo invites someone to his party, they are busy! Through engaging our Preps in the story of Milo Monkey and his birthday party, we introduce our students to the sounds letters make. This term, we have been introduced to our stage 1 sounds and have met many of Milo's friends, including: Sally Snake, Felix Frog, Ally Alligator, Peter Penguin, Tim the Turtle, Cooper Caterpillar and Izzy Insect.

We have also started our home reading program this term, working towards developing home reading routines. Please continue to read together with your child over the holidays and we look forward to hearing about the books you have read!



Student Of

the

WEEK

Week 8



April, Thomas, Llywelyn, James, Maggie, Ivy, Aleeza, Aria, Frances, Charlie, Edward, Jesse, Lily, Akash, Siena, Easton, Tori, Edwin, Ilai, Mccaela, Ollie, Adelaide, Willow.

Week 9



Heidi, Tara, Minnie, Alexia, Violet, Matisse, Ardin, Daniel, Levi, Emily, Paige, Fletcher, Ned, Scarlett, Josh, Harriet, Isaac, Lola, Riley, Liam, Finn, Lucas.

Congratulations



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GREENHILLS MONTMORENCY BASEBALL CLUB



2024 JUNIOR WINTER SEASON

ROUND 1 - 20 APRIL 2024

SATURDAY MORNINGS

Rookies & U13's

@ Mill Park Softball fields

U15's & U17's

Home & Away Games

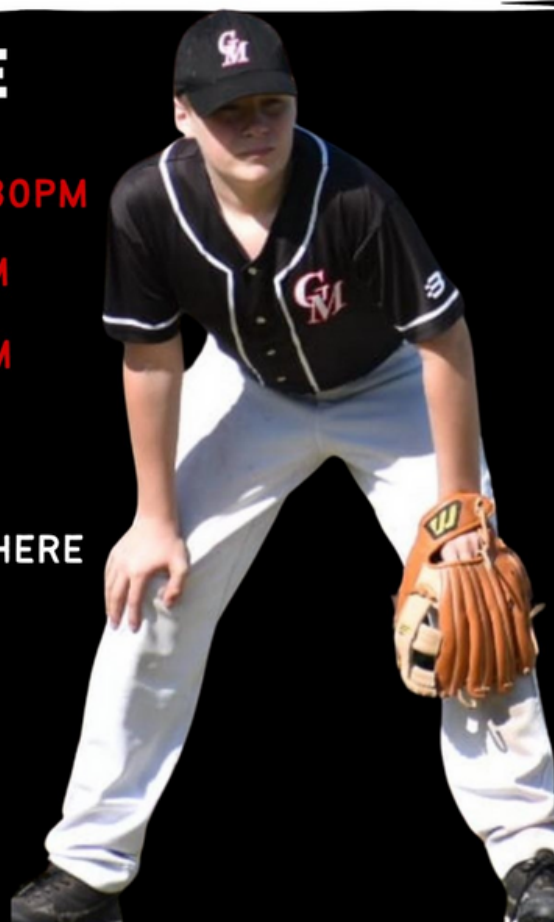


TRAINING SCHEDULE

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-  **ROOKIES THURSDAYS: 4:30 - 5:30PM**
-  **U13 WEDNESDAYS: 5:30 - 7:00PM**
-  **U15 WEDNESDAYS: 6:30 - 8:30PM**
-  **U17 TUESDAYS: 5:30 - 7:30PM**

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