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From the Principal

Tony Ryan

Across the Principal's Desk 10.10.25

Hello WHPS community,

Welcome back to Term 4! Amazing how quickly time is flying by. It has been great this week reconnecting with our students and staff and hearing about all the fun adventures people have been on across the holiday period. There have been lots of smiles around the place and reconnecting with friends. It's been obvious that the holiday period provided a good mental and physical recharge time for everyone

Swimming:

Our school swimming program is in full swing this term with our Prep to Year 2 students enjoying the start of the program this week. This is a valued program that teaches our students important life skills to be safe around water. Our thanks go to all those parent/carer helpers that are assisting with the swimming program as its success relies on your support.

Camping Program:

Term 4 is always a busy time on our calendar as a number of events and excursions are scheduled. Our Grade 5&6 students are looking forward to attending Sovereign Hill next week for their camp with Year 6 attending Mon-Wed and the Year 5's Wed-Fri. This promises to be a fantastic camp with lots of fun and interactive activities to enjoy.

Term 3

Grade 6 Camp
Monday 13th October
to Wednesday 15th
October

- **Grade 5 Camp**
Wednesday 15th
October to Friday
17th October

- **Regional Athletics**
Wednesday 13th
October

- **WHPS Trivia Night:**
Saturday the 25th October

- **Grade 2 Sleepover:**
Thursday 30th October

- **Curriculum Day: Student**
Free Day - Monday 3rd
November

- **Melbourne Cup Holiday:**
Student Free Day -
Tuesday 4th November

- **Grade 4 Camp Alexandra**
Adventure Resort: 24th-
26th November

- **Year 7 State School**
Transition Day: Tuesday
9th December

- **Year 6 Graduation:**
Thursday 11th December

- **Curriculum Day: Student**
Free Day- Monday 15th
December

- **Last Day of School Year:**
1:00pm Assembly - 1:30pm
dismissal - Friday 19th
December

Term Dates 2025

Term 1: January 30 -April 4
Term 2: April 22 -July 4
Term 3: July 21 -September 19
Term 4: October 6 -December 19

The following week our Preps are excited to attend the Sealife Aquarium excursion on the 22nd and our Grade 1's will also be enjoying lots of tasty food as part of their Grade 1 Dinner on the 23rd of October.

It was also great to see so many involved in our amazing book swap yesterday. I'm sure many of our students would have been pleased by the great book they were able to access through this initiative. Many thanks to Kathryn for coordinating the book swap.

Term 4 Important Dates:

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Sunsmart Period:

A reminder that Term 4 is part of our Sunsmart Period (between September and April) when students are required to wear their school hats when outdoors. Failure to have their hat will result in students having their play restricted to designated shaded spaces. It's also a good reminder to ensure hats and all items of school uniforms and belongings are clearly labelled with your child's name. Named items have a much higher likelihood of making their way home again.

Parking Sign Changes:

We have shared on a number of occasions this year that our community is only to park in the designated and lined car spaces in the visitor carpark by backing into the spaces in the interests of student and pedestrian safety in and around our school. I'd like to thank the vast majority of our community that have supported this request and expectation through their parking, drop off and pick up actions. The school has been liaising with the local council about getting the signs in the visitor carpark changed from 'no parking' to "no stopping with buses and delivery vehicles accepted" as depicted in the images attached. We hope that this provides greater clarity as to the expected behaviours and that this isn't a place where drop off's or pick up's are to take place. We have been putting temporary bollards and witches hats out daily in recent months as a visual reminder, but as this signing change is fully completed this process will end. I don't want anyone to get injured or for members of our community to get fined by parking inspectors (as I understand happened last term) and so I wanted to make this change as visible and well known as possible. Many thanks for your continued support with this.



Farewell Michelle:

We are sad to be farewelling a member of our ES team Michelle Lewis who has secured a position in the secondary sector, which is an opportunity she had been interested in pursuing. Michelle has made a sizable contribution to our students, classrooms and the wider community and we wish her all the best for this new opportunity for her.

I'm hoping everyone has a wonderful weekend.

Tony



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WEEK!



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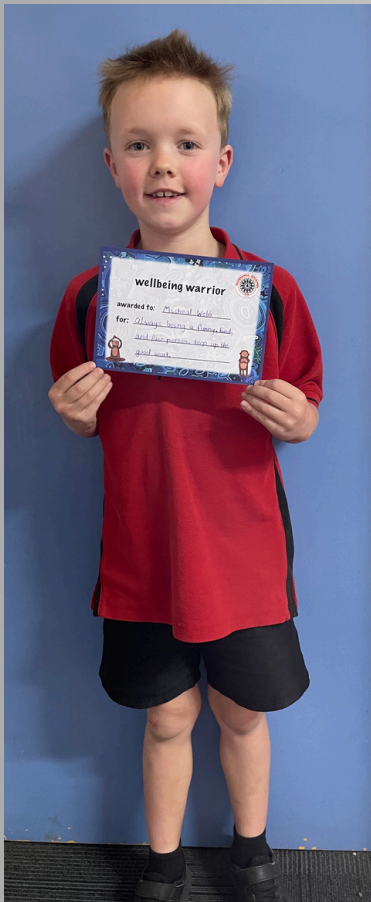
Student of The Week

Week 1

CONGRATULATIONS



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Total party time

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Food

Party crockery & cutlery

Cake cutting

Party table 90 minutes

Party invitations

Table drinks tab optional

Inflatable World Party DIY

\$288

\$24

90 mins

30 mins

NA

2 hours

juice box and water

DIY

DIY

DIY

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Inflatable World Party catered

\$408

\$34

90 mins

30 mins

NA

2 hours

juice box and water

hot chips

chicken nuggets (4)

margarita pizza slice (1)

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Sports Combo Party catered

\$468

\$39

45 mins

30 mins

45 mins

2 hours

juice box and water

hot chips

chicken nuggets (4)

margarita pizza slices (2)

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