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### College Update | Week I, Term 3, 2025

Welcome back to what promises to be another vibrant and productive term at Whites Hill State College!

I hope each of you have enjoyed a restful and refreshing break and are ready for the exciting opportunities ahead.

#### NAIDOC Week Acknowledgment - Week I

Although NAIDOC Week fell during the school holidays, we take this opportunity during week 1 of this term to acknowledge and celebrate the history, culture, and achievements of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples.

We also acknowledge the significance of NAIDOC Week 2025, which marks 50 years of celebrating First Nations culture, voices, and resilience. This year's theme, "The Next Generation: Strength, Vision & Legacy", honours the enduring contributions of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples — past, present and future. It's a powerful reminder of the strength of young leaders rising in our communities, the shared vision guiding their journey, and the rich legacy passed down through generations. At WHSC, we remain committed to learning, listening, and walking together toward a more inclusive future.

#### School Review - Week I

This week, we welcome a review team from the Education Improvement Branch (EIB) who will be conducting our four-yearly School Review. These reviews do not compare or rate schools but provide independent feedback to support our ongoing improvement. The review team will spend time engaging with staff, students, and community members, and their findings will help guide our strategic direction. Once complete, the final report will be shared with our community via our college website.

#### **School Improvement Priorities**

As a reminder, our school improvement journey for 2025 is shaped by our commitment to excellence, inclusion, and wellbeing.

Our three key priorities are:

- Educational Achievement Curriculum
- Wellbeing and Engagement Pedagogy
- Culture and Inclusion Case Management

Together, these pillars support every student to thrive, every staff member to grow, and every family to feel connected to our college's purpose and progress.

#### School Photos - Friday 18 July (Week 1)

A reminder that school photos will be taken on Friday 18 July. Please ensure your child is in full school uniform and arrives on time so they don't miss this opportunity to be part of our 2025 college photo collection.

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#### Parent - Teacher Meetings - Monday 21 July (Week 2)

We value our strong partnerships with families, and we look forward to seeing many of you at our Prep – Year 12 Parent-Teacher Meetings on Monday 21 July. These meetings are an important opportunity to discuss your child's progress, ask questions, and set goals for the term ahead.

#### 100 Days of Prep Celebration – Tuesday 22 July (Week 2)

We're excited to celebrate a major milestone for our youngest learners – 100 Days of Prep! This special event will take place on Tuesday 22 July (week 2), marking 100 days of learning, growing, and laughing together. Please refer to the correspondence sent home in Week 10 of last term or speak with your child's Prep teacher if you need further details. We look forward to a joyful day of fun and celebration!

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We're excited to begin another term of learning, growth, and community connection. Thank you, as always, for your continued support of our students and our school. Let's make Term 3 another successful chapter —together.

Kind regards,

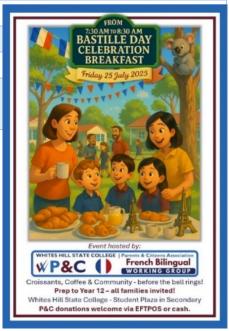
Richenda Wagener

College Principal

#### Important Date Claimers for the Weeks Ahead

The Week Ahead Week 1	
Mon 14 July	<ul><li>Day 1 Term 3</li><li>NAIDOC Assembly</li></ul>
Tues 15 July	EIB Team - School Review
Wed 16 July	EIB Team - School Review
Thurs 17 July	<ul><li>EIB Team - School Review</li><li>Success Assembly (sec)</li></ul>
Fri 18 July	College Photo Day

The Week Ahead Week 2			
	Mon 21 July	Parent teacher meetings (interviews will be held at the Co	ollege Hall on Samuel Street.)
	Tues 22 July	100 Days of Prep Celebrations	FROM
	Wed 23 July	• Parliament House Tour – Primary select student leaders	PASTILLE DAY CELEBRATION
	Thurs 24 July	Wear your beanie and dress in blue - Fight MND	BREAKFAST Friday 25 July 2025
	Fri 25 July	<ul> <li>National Tree Planting Day</li> <li>WHSC Bastille Day Celebration -</li> <li>Whole of College Community Breakfast</li> </ul>	



#### **Helpful WHSC Links**

**College Policies** 

**Uniform Shop information** 

**Outside School Hours Care** 

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