

Whites Hill State College

PREP – YEAR 12

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College Update | Week 3, Term 1, 2026

A Strong Start to 2026

The first two weeks of the 2026 school year have flown by. It has been a pleasure to see students across the college settling into routines with positivity, enthusiasm and a strong sense of belonging. Classrooms are focused, learning expectations are being embedded, and students are engaging with both academic and co-curricular opportunities with confidence.

As we move into Week 3, we continue to encourage all students to challenge themselves, set personal and academic goals, and strive for their personal best. Establishing strong habits early in the year provides an important foundation for success throughout 2026.

Thank You to Our Parent Community – Primary Meet and Greet

Thank you in advance to our Prep to Year 6 parents and carers who will be joining us on Monday evening, 9 February, for our Primary Parent Meet and Greet. We value the strong partnerships we share with families and appreciate the time you take to connect with staff and engage with your child's learning journey. These connections are vital in supporting student success and wellbeing. For further details, please check with your child's teacher or contact the college office.

Secondary Swimming Carnival – School Spirit on Display

Our recent Secondary Swimming Carnival was a wonderful celebration of house spirit, participation and community. The energy across the day was fantastic, with students supporting one another and engaging enthusiastically in events. A special mention to our Year 12 students, who led with positivity and encouragement, setting a strong example for younger students. Thank you to our HPE staff for the organisation and smooth running of such a successful event!

Student Investiture – Welcoming Our 2026 Leaders

On Monday 9 February, we will come together as a college community for our Investiture Ceremony, formally recognising our 2026 student leaders. This important occasion highlights the role of leadership in shaping a positive, inclusive and high-expectations school culture.

At Whites Hill State College, leadership is grounded in service—supporting others, contributing to our community and making a meaningful difference. We congratulate our student leaders and look forward to working alongside them as role models for our college community throughout the year.



P&C - Family Fun Day

Thank you to our P&C and the many families who will be joining us for the Family Fun Day on Saturday 14 February in the Prep Green Space. This event provides a wonderful opportunity for new and returning families to connect, relax and enjoy time together. We sincerely appreciate the efforts of our P&C and volunteers in creating welcoming events that strengthen our sense of community.

NAPLAN Preparation (Years 3, 5, 7 and 9)

As we move closer to NAPLAN (11–23 March), preparation is underway to ensure students feel confident, supported and well-prepared. Further information will be shared with families in the coming weeks.

As we progress through Term 1, thank you for your continued support in reinforcing routines, engagement and positive learning behaviours.

Student Attendance in 2026

Our transition bell rings at 8:40am with **lessons commencing at 8:45 am in both Primary and Secondary sectors each day.** Please ensure that your child is ready to commence their learning at 8:45am by ensuring that they are arriving at school on time.

As we finalise our class lists and student numbers for the year it is important that student absences are recorded correctly. If your child/children are absent for the day please contact our administration office and provide a reason for this absence. Parents can inform us of student absences in the following ways:

Email admin@whiteshillsc.eq.edu.au

Student Absence Text: 0428 632 704

Telephone: 3900 8370

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When possible please inform the school of student absences prior to 8:45am.

As we continue to settle into Term 1, thank you for your continued partnership in supporting strong routines, positive learning habits and student wellbeing.

Have a wonderful week.

Kind regards

Richenda Wagener

College Principal

Important Date Claimers for the Week Ahead (current)

The Week Ahead ... Week 3	
Mon 9 Feb	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Investiture Ceremony • Primary – meet and greet the teacher
Wed 11 Feb	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • International Day of Women and Girls in Science • P&C meeting 6:30 pm
Thurs 12 Feb	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • South District Swimming • Women in STEM
Fri 13 Feb	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Valentines' Day initiative – secondary
Sat 14 Feb	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • P&C Family Fun Day Picnic 2:00-5:00pm

The Week Ahead ... Week 4	
Mon 16 Feb	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • School Based Health Nurse – Year 11 Talks
Wed 18 Feb	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Flexible Timetable finish for eligible Year 10, 11 and 12 students from 12:55pm

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