



College Update | Week 3, Term 3, 2026

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As we move into Week 3 of Term 3, it has been wonderful to see students quickly settle back into learning routines and embrace the opportunities that a new term brings. Across the college, classrooms have been busy, students have reconnected with friends and teachers, and there is a strong sense of purpose and positivity as we continue our focus on educational achievement, belonging and engagement.

Merci! Bastille Day Celebrations

A sincere thank you to our P&C, staff, students and families who helped make our annual Bastille Day Celebrations such a wonderful success.

It was fantastic to see our community come together to celebrate French culture, language and learning. Events such as these highlight the unique opportunities available through our French Bilingual Program and showcase the strong partnerships that exist between our school and community.

A special thank you to our P&C volunteers for their support of the morning and for helping create such a welcoming atmosphere for students, families and guests.

School Opinion Survey (SOS)

The annual School Opinion Survey (SOS) has opened and is active until 21 August 2026.

The survey provides valuable feedback about our college and helps us understand our strengths, identify opportunities for improvement and inform future planning.

Invitations will be sent to:

- Parents and caregivers (one invitation per family)
- Students in Years 5, 6, 8 and 11

We strongly encourage all families who receive an invitation to participate. Your feedback is important and helps shape the future direction of Whites Hill State College.

Student Safety Reminder – Bus Travel and Afternoon Collection

Student safety remains our highest priority.

A reminder to families and students that all students travelling by bus after school are to use the **Samuel Street bus stop located directly outside the hall**. This location is supervised by staff each afternoon and provides the safest environment for students accessing public transport.

Unless students are accompanied directly by a parent or carer, they are expected to make their way to the Samuel Street bus stop and board their bus from this supervised location.

We ask families to reinforce this expectation with their children, particularly our primary students who are to make their way through the college campus to the bus stop.

By ensuring students use the supervised bus stop, we can continue to support their safety and wellbeing at the conclusion of each school day.

Attendance Matters

As we move further into the term, a reminder that every day of learning counts.

Students who attend regularly and arrive on time are best positioned to build strong relationships, engage in classroom learning and achieve academic success. Our transition bell rings at **8:40am**, with **learning commencing promptly at 8:45am**.

Thank you to families for your ongoing support in establishing positive attendance habits and strong routines.

Looking Ahead

Term 3 continues to provide many exciting opportunities for our students, including sporting competitions, cultural events, performances, academic challenges and leadership opportunities.

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Thank you for your ongoing partnership and support as we continue to build a college where students feel welcome, supported, known, heard and present.

Every student. Every classroom. Every day.

Have a wonderful week ahead.

Kind regards,

Richenda Wagener

College Principal

Important Date Claimers for the Weeks Ahead

The Week Ahead ... Week 3 TERM 3	
Mon 27 July	- School Base Youth Health Nurse Talks – Yr. 7 - AusAlert @ 2:00pm National Emergency Broadcast Trial
Tues 28 July	Primary Athletics Day
Wed 29 July	French Bilingual Program information for all Primary families 3:30 pm in ILC
Thurs 30 July	- Yr. 11 Character Builders - Yr. 8 Geography Excursion - Photo catch up day – portrait and siblings
Fri 31 July	Yr. 11 Character Builders

The Week Ahead ... Week 4 TERM 3	
Mon 3 August	- School Based Youth Health Nurse Talks – Yr. 7 - Yr 11 Leadership applications open
Tues 4 Aug	- Head of School Tour (Primary and Secondary) <i>for new families who have not yet had a tour this year</i> - Yr. 9 Subject Information online session
Wed 5 Aug	- Yr. 11 Academic Conferencing - P&C Meeting 6:30pm
Thurs 6 Aug	- First Aid – Yr. 12 - Mayfield SS visiting – ‘Try High School for a Day’

Helpful WHSC Links

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