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On the traditional lands of the Gumbaynggirr people

NEWSLETTER NO. 36

TERM 4 WEEK 6

TUESDAY 20th NOVEMBER, 2018

IMPORTANT DATES

19th-21st Nov	Library Book Fair	26-28th Nov	Library Book Fair
20th—25th Nov	Schools Spectacular Trip	Tues 27th Nov	Grandparents' Day - Entertainment and Sausage Sizzle
Wed 21st Nov	4/5 Indigo visit Raleigh Nursing Home CANCELLED	Tues 27th Nov	Book Fair Dress-Up. Favourite book character or 'Space' theme
Thurs 22nd Nov	Whole School Assembly @ 2.20pm	Thurs 29th Nov	Christian Community High School Christmas Concert
Mon 26th Nov	Garden Club @ 11.10am	Fri 30th Nov	Yr6 to Bellingen High School for Yr7 Orientation Day

KINDERGARTEN ORIENTATION

There has been a lot of fun being had at Kindergarten Orientation for 2019 kinder students! They have come along to three orientation mornings and have filled their time with many varied and fun activities. They decorated their own library bags for next year with hand prints, made hats and a badge and read a story—and that was just day one! There has also been singing and dancing, along with puzzles, building and meeting our school leaders. It has been a fabulous time and has also given the soon-to-be students a chance to get to know our school, have a tour of the school and make some new friends. Last Friday was their final orientation day and we are sure the fun will continue next year!! The parents have also been enjoying some orientation sessions in the library and were given lot of information to help them navigate the Kindergarten journey with their child.



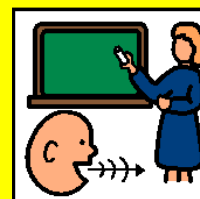


NEWS FROM OUR PRINCIPAL MRS JANE MARTYN

WEEKLY SCHOOL RULE

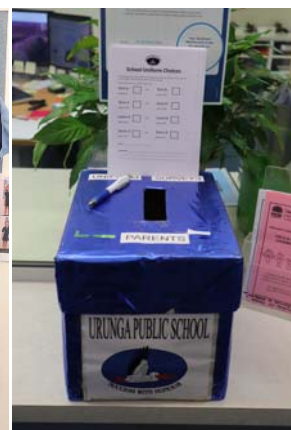
The focus this week is the
yellow rule
"follow teacher instructions"

We ask that you reinforce this
week's rule at home with your
child.



UNIFORM SURVEY

We have our sample uniform choices displayed in the foyer of our office. Over the next two weeks, we will be surveying our current year 3, 4 and 5 students, our staff and our parents to see which choices are preferred. Please drop into our office over the next two weeks between the hours of 7.30am and 6.00pm to fill out a survey and to have your say. Completed forms from parents are to put into the blue box on the counter. Students will be surveyed at school during class time. Please include your name on the survey sheet and complete your voting by Monday 10th December.



SCHOOLS SPECTACULAR

This morning we farewelled the bus carrying our 22 very excited students along with 2 parents, Mr Patterson and Miss Fisher heading to Sydney to participate in the amazing Schools Spectacular at the Qudos Bank Arena. The week will be filled with travelling and rehearsing for their performances on Friday and Saturday. Much consultation and hard work has gone into getting our students there. Thank you very much to our generous P&C and everyone who has supported us on this journey through making donations, baking cakes, getting our choirs to fundraising performances, organising food, accommodation and travel. Watch our Facebook page this week for photos and updates of their exciting adventure!

GRANDPARENTS' DAY

We are really looking forward to sharing an exciting day with our Grandparents and other older friends and relatives next Tuesday 27th November from 9.30am until 11.30am. There will be a whole school assembly with performances, open classrooms, book fair and a sausage sizzle!

PBL (POSITIVE BEHAVIOUR FOR LEARNING)

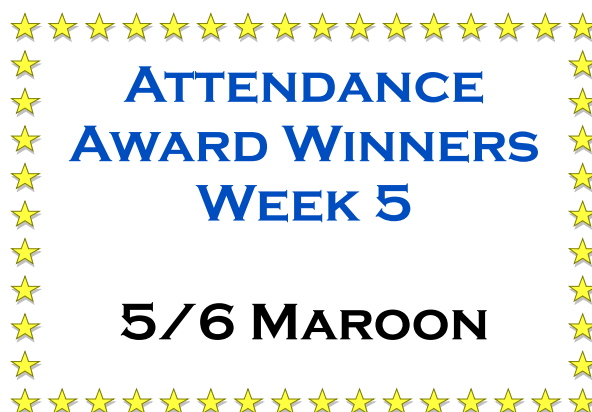
As part of our School Well-being Framework we will be implementing PBL(Positive Behaviour for Learning) at Urunga Public School. As a part of this process, we require as many parents and community stakeholders as possible to complete a short 5 question survey.

Our goal is to have everyone's input (teachers, students and parents) to develop and determine consistent and expected behaviours at our school.

You can access this survey on our school's Facebook page or use the link below.

<https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/URUNGA18>

Jane Martyn



NRMA SCIENCE AND ROAD SAFETY DAY

Danny from NRMA came to UPS last week and spoke to all our students about road safety. He gave a very entertaining presentation that helped the children understand why road safety is important and explained strategies to keep safe.

These strategies were:

- Lookout before you step out. Stop, Look, Listen and Think before you cross the road.
- Hold hands with an adult when crossing the road or when in driveways or car parks.
- Use the safety door that faces the footpath. Do not exit the car onto the road.
- Wear seatbelts correctly. If under 7 years of age a booster seat is compulsory.
- Only adults and high school students should sit in the front seat because of the damage that air bags can inflict.
- Be a safe passenger – be quiet, patient and considerate and have something with you to entertain yourself, like a book, iPad or safe toy.
- Be sure to wear the right helmet for the appropriate activity. One type of helmet needs to be worn for bike riding and another type needs to be worn for scooter and skateboard riding. Helmets need to be worn properly to keep our heads safe.
- Look after your helmet. If it is damaged you need to buy a new one. Always buy the helmets that have the Australian Safety Standard sticker or the Benchmark sticker.
- Be bright and be seen- always wear something bright or shiny and reflective.



YEAR 5 LEADERSHIP DAY

Last Tuesday, twenty five Year 5 students headed to Dorrigo Public School for the Year 5 Leadership Day. The day's activities provided the students with opportunities to collaborate with peers, communicate effectively with others, make SMART goals, and define what makes a good leader. Some activities they participated in were: the egg drop challenge, paper airplane making and making goals activities. Everyone had a great time and it was wonderful to see the leadership qualities shine within our students. Well done Year 5!



SWIMMING SCHEME

We have had a wonderful response to the School Swimming Scheme. **The program is now full.** It is great to see so many Year 2 and 3 students keen to improve their swimming ability. If you have paid a deposit for the program, please pay the balance by this Friday 23rd November. Students will only be able to attend if the full amount has been paid. The first day of swimming is Monday 3rd December.



WHAT'S DUE

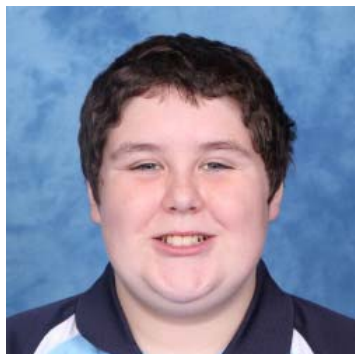
- School Swimming Scheme balance of payment due Friday 23rd November
- Term 4 musical instrument hire
- Educational Resources & Voluntary School Contribution payments



NEWS FROM OUR COMMUNITY LIAISON OFFICER JENNY LUXON

SPOTLIGHT ON YEAR SIX

We continue to spotlight our wonderful Year 6 students.



ADRIEN DODD

FAVOURITE FOOD: Silverside with white sauce
FAVOURITE COLOUR: Lime Green
FAVOURITE MOVIE: The Predator 1, 2, and 3
HOBBIES: Art and drawing because it keeps me calm.
My favourite place in the world is Queensland because my family live up there.
When I am older I would like to be a cop because I want people to know the law.



MAKAYLAH CAVANAGH-ROSE

FAVOURITE FOOD: Ice Cream
FAVOURITE COLOUR: Pale Pink
FAVOURITE MOVIES: The Greatest Showman
HOBBIES: Dancing, playing soccer and surfing.
My favourite places in the world are Hawaii and Fiji because I love the beach.
When I am older I want to be a hairdresser and a hair stylist.
Highlights of my time at UPS are meeting all my amazing friends, going to the Schools Spectacular, meeting Frankie and the school camps.



RILEY MEENAHAN

FAVOURITE FOOD: Schnitzel
FAVOURITE COLOUR: Black Shade
FAVOURITE MOVIE: Were the Millers
HOBBIES: Hockey
My favourite place in the world is New York.
When I am older I want to be a professional hockey player.
Highlight of my time at UPS was going to Canberra in Year 5.



HOLLY TAYLOR

FAVOURITE FOOD: Pizza
FAVOURITE COLOUR: All shades of blue
HOBBIES: Soccer, playing the piano, horse riding, hanging with friends and visiting Ruby.
My favourite place in the world is home.
When I am older I want to be a vet, own a horse and be famous. Highlight of my time at UPS was being part of the Dance Group.

CHRISTMAS HAMPER RAFFLE

This week a book of ten raffle tickets for our Christmas hamper raffle will be sent home with every child. Tickets are 50c each and the winners will be drawn on Presentation Day - Tuesday 18th December. We kindly ask that you buy or sell these tickets and return them with the money to your child's teacher or the front office. More ticket books will be available from the office if you wish to sell some more! We are also asking for donations of non-perishable items such as jars or tinned food, biscuits, lollies or Christmas themed items (napkins, decorations etc) to make up these wonderful hampers. Donations can be dropped into the school office. All donations are greatly appreciated.



CHRISTIAN COMMUNITY SCHOOL CHRISTMAS CONCERT

Scripture classes are soon coming to a close for the year. To finish the year, there will be a special Christmas performance. To bring the story of Christmas to life, we will have students from Christian Community High School coming to share and celebrate through a play, song and dance performance with wonderful costumes and music. Parents and family members are welcome to come and enjoy the presentation on November 29th from 10.15am to 10.45am in the school COLA.

P&C NEWS

We are in the final stages of completing the colour run paperwork. Prizes have been submitted and now we await their arrival.

Fundraising was amazing and we are very grateful for all the donations. We will be able to supply the school with so many wonderful things.

This year the P&C will be hosting the end of year K-4 social, stay tuned for more on this.

As the year is drawing to an end very quickly, there will be no more P&C meetings for this year. If anyone has any questions or concerns please don't hesitate to contact the P&C.

Roz McLagan
P&C President

URUNGA PHYSI CLUB

On the weekend of the 9th & 10th November three very talented young ladies from Urunga Public School travelled to Sydney to compete in the Physical Culture State Finals. All the girls worked incredibly hard. Sophia, who is in Kindergarten, worked so well and earned herself a place in the Grand Final to be held at Sydney Town Hall on Sunday 25th November. Only 12 girls from each age group are selected to compete in the Grand Final. Well done girls, an amazing job.

In the photo you will recognise Olivia Yr 5 in blue, Savannah Yr 3 in yellow and Sophia, pretty in pink kinder.



Year 6 Baby Photos

In preparation for a fantastic and fun filled Year 6 farewell, could all Year 6 students please bring in a baby photo of themselves.

Please have your name clearly written on the back and hand in to the ladies at the office.



SCHOOLS SPECTACULAR TRIP

Our very excited group of 22 choir members, 2 teachers, and 2 parent helpers headed off this morning for their amazing Schools Spectacular adventure. They had been busy last week creating some of the props they will need for their performance. All things glittery were used to build some fabulous Elton John like glasses. We look forward to hearing all about the performance when they return.



LIBRARY NEWS

The school library Christmas Book Fair began this week. The theme is 'Reading is Out of this World', so students, staff, parents and grandparents are invited to dress-up on Tuesday 27th November, as their favourite character or to suit the 'space' theme of the Fair.

The Book Fair will run over two weeks - Week 6: Monday 19th – Wednesday 21st November & Week 7 Mon. 26th - Wed. 28th November.

There is usually a terrific range of books available, including Picture Fiction, Easy Fiction and Fiction texts; as well as Non Fiction (Fact) books. There will be a range of diaries, colouring and activity items. Wacky packs (a book & novelty items shrink wrapped) are available for \$6 - these are often a good bargain (Limited stock only).

As usual there will be a variety of funky novelty items such as pointers, highlighters, pens, pencils, erasers & sharpeners. Novelty items range in price from \$1 - \$8. Posters come in two sizes Small = \$2, Big = \$4. The full range of novelties received are displayed at the circulation desk.

The Book Fair will be open from 8:50 - 9:20am (before school), lunchtime and after school from Monday through to Wednesday each week.

If you would like to donate a book to your school library, there is a wide range of beautiful books that I'm sure our students would love to see in their library. Your support makes a big difference and is well appreciated! :)

Looking forward to seeing you here!

Geri Jensen

Teacher Librarian



Bellingen High School Year 7 2019 Orientation Day(s)

Friday 23 November 2018 - Small Schools (9:00 am - 3:09 pm)

Friday 30 November 2018 - All Schools (9:00 am - 3:09 pm)

Monday 30 November 2018 - Parent Evening (5:30 pm)

The small schools orientation day is for students from Orama, Raleigh, Repton and St Mary's with all students attending the All Schools Day. A range of activities are planned to assist with the transition of students from Primary school. A letter detailing this event was sent to all schools in Week 4. Should you require any further information, please contact Bellingen High School on 6655 1315 or email bellingen-h.school@det.nsw.edu.au.



GRANDPARENTS DAY

All Grandparents are warmly
invited to visit Urunga Public School

TUESDAY 27TH, NOVEMBER

9.30am - 11.30am

Sausage Sizzle-\$2 each

Book Fair

Entertainment

Visit classrooms

COMMUNITY INFORMATION



Children under 16 are now legally allowed to ride on footpaths in NSW.

Law change gives green light for teenagers to ride on footpaths.

As students return from the winter holidays, many teenagers will no longer have to navigate traffic on busy roads while riding their bikes to school.

Children aged up to 16-years-old are now legally allowed to ride on footpaths.

This change is also a great opportunity to discuss the rights and responsibilities of riding on the footpath, consideration for others and the dangers of driveways.

www.smh.com.au/politics/nsw/law-change-gives-green-light-for-teenagers-to-ride-on-footpaths-20180720-p4zsl2.html



COMMUNITY INFORMATION

2019 BRAVES TRIALS

SATURDAY 8TH DECEMBER

Branson Centre, Bishop Druitt College



12PM - 1.30PM

Under 18 Men

3.00PM - 4.00PM

Under 12 Boys

Under 12 Girls

Under 14 Girls

1.30PM - 3.00PM

Under 14 Boys

Under 16 Girls

Under 18 Girls

FOR FURTHER
INFORMATION
CONTACT NICOLE
ON 0413 022 934

If you played REP with a different association in 2018 you will need to complete a Permission to Trial form and have signed by your previous association in order to trial.

If you are unable to attend a trial date set, please complete an exemption to trial form and return to bellingerbasketball@gmail.com one week prior to trial date.

Both forms are available from the Braves website:

www.bellingervalleybasketball.sportingpulse.net

B.V.B.A have obtained a sponsor for the Under 12 Womens Team for 2019. This will cover all Registration fees and season costs.



Bellinggen Youth Orchestra presents:

Symphony Under The Stars

A free concert for the people of Bellinggen and the Mid North Coast
Saturday, 1 December 2018
Bellinggen Showground

Gates open 5:00pm with great music from 5:15pm
Featuring performances by a combined community choir; the Valla Voices; Ali Hasan and Kaman Gharib; Kai Tipping's Brazilian Drum group; BYO String School and the Bellinggen Youth Orchestra.

Food available to purchase or bring your own picnic and rug.

Finale: Tchaikovsky's 1812 Overture with fireworks and cannons!



International Day of
People with Disability

Community Celebrations on the Green

Monday 3rd December 2018

at Urunga Neighbourhood Centre

**Presentation of Ian J Cooper Awards
for Access and Inclusion**

10am- 12.00pm

Urunga School performances

Free Community BBQ at 12 noon

Awards contact : Anna Joy on 66557300/
Event Contact: Marie at UNC 66556992



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