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*On the traditional lands of the Gumbaynggirr people*

**NEWSLETTER NO. 18**

**TERM 2 WEEK 8**

**TUESDAY 18th JUNE, 2019**

## IMPORTANT DATES

Mon 17th June - Wed 19th June	NAIDOC Week Celebrations	Sat 29th June	P&C Family Trivia Night @ Club Urunga
Wed 19th June	NAIDOC—Come dressed in colours of Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander flags	1st - 5th July	Parent / Teacher Interviews
Wed 19th June	Mid North Coast Dance Festival Performance	Mon 1st July	Garden Club @ 11.10am
Fri 21st June	North Coast Cross Country	Tues 2nd July	Whole School Assembly
Tues 25th June	School Athletics Carnival	Fri 5th July	LAST DAY TERM 2

## NAIDOC WEEK

We began our three days of NAIDOC celebrations yesterday with Uncle Mark coming to speak to our Monday morning assembly. He welcomed us all onto his country and told us all about the Gumbaynggirr land, totems and people. He took us for a 'verbal' tour of Gumbaynggirr and surrounding lands. This was followed by a beautiful song called 'I am the Earth', performed by 2/3 Green, 3/4 Blue and 4/5 Indigo. All students then gathered at our school flag pole to observe the Australian, Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander flags being raised. Following the flag raising, Uncle Mark spent some time with each class in Stage 1 talking about 'Gumbaynggirr Life'. He told us all about the food the Gumbaynggirr people ate as well as the implements they used to gather and make food, such as boomerangs, wooden bowls, reed baskets and axes made of wood and stone. Uncle Mark also taught each class some Gumbaynggirr language for some of the local animal totems. Thank you Uncle Mark for sharing your valuable knowledge with us all.

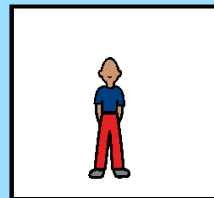




## NEWS FROM OUR PRINCIPAL MRS JANE MARTYN

### WEEKLY SCHOOL RULE

The focus this week is the  
blue rule  
“keep hands, feet, mouth  
and objects to myself”



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

### NAIDOC CELEBRATIONS

Our NAIDOC celebrations this week have been very culturally rich. Uncle Mark delivered a Welcome to Country for us all on Monday morning which was followed by many of our students singing 'I am the Earth' and a flag raising ceremony.

Our K-2 classes each had Uncle Mark visit their classroom to teach them about local Gumbaynggirr history, tools, totems and language. Today, we had a community morning tea and Uncle Mark led our Stage 2 students and staff on a cultural walk around Urunga.

### P&C MEETING

I look forward to meeting with you at our rescheduled P&C meeting tomorrow (Wednesday) in the staffroom at 9.30am.

### SCHOOL ASSEMBLIES

Thank you to the parents who are able to attend our whole school assemblies every second Tuesday from 2.30pm. It's always great to share and celebrate achievements, band, class items and our other many talents with our families. Our kindergarten students have been working really hard to learn the words for our School Song. They did a magnificent job of it today.

### LEAVE

I will be on leave from next Monday until Friday of Week 2 next term. In my absence, Mr Patterson will be Relieving Principal and Mrs Arnold will be Relieving Assistant Principal K-2.

Jane Martyn

### THE UNIFORM SHOP IS OPEN

Every Wednesday, Thursday and Friday  
before 12 noon.

See Sharon in the Canteen for all your  
new uniform needs.

**ALL shirt sizes now available**

Please note - only cash can be accepted.

### ATTENDANCE AWARD WINNERS WEEK 7

**1 PINK**





## ATHLETICS CARNIVAL

This year our K-2 athletics carnival as well as our 8 year olds and up carnival will be held on the same day. They will both be held on Tuesday 25th June (Week 9) at the Urunga Recreation Grounds. Please see the flyer further on in the newsletter for more details. All students who are turning 8 years or older this year will have the opportunity to qualify for the District Athletics carnival.



K-2 will participate in separate events as well as some fun novelty activities.

Parents and family members are welcome to come along to support and cheer on all the athletes.

Sharon will be running a canteen at the recreation grounds for the athletics carnival.

## ATHLETICS - 200M HEATS

At this Thursday's primary sport, we will be running boys and girls 200m elimination heats for 8yr olds and up. The finals will be the first event held at the Athletics carnival on Tuesday 25th.

**Kaye Arnold**

## CASCADE EXCURSION

Last week all students in Year 4 were given a note about their Cascade Excursion. It will be held from Wednesday 4th to Friday 6th of September. The excursion is a valuable inclusion in the Year 4 curriculum and students will study forest ecology, the history of the area and will also gain valuable experience in living and working co-operatively in a large group - not to mention having a whole lot of fun!! A \$50 deposit and the permission note are due back to classroom teachers by Friday 21st June with the balance being due by Friday 23rd August.

**Mrs Arnold and Mrs Paxton (Yr 4 teachers)**

## GROUP PHOTOS

The group photos from The School Photographer have been returned to school. The photos will be displayed in the OOSH room window. The photos available for order are: School Leaders, SRC, Sports House Captains, Year 6, Year 6 Fun and the Whole School Photo. Parents are able to order **online ONLY**. Please use the online order number **19S6110VT37U**. To view and then order these photos go to:

[www.theschoolphotographer.com.au](http://www.theschoolphotographer.com.au)

The photo prices are \$16.00 each, 2 for \$30.00, 3 for \$42.00, 4 for \$52.00 or 5 for \$60.

## P&C NEWS

The **P&C Meeting** that had previously been scheduled for last Wednesday will now be held tomorrow, Wednesday 19th June. We hope to see you there.

Come and test your knowledge at the P&C's **family friendly trivia night** on June 29 at Club Urunga starting at 7pm. Why not come for a meal at the restaurant from 6pm. It will be a fun night for all the family with plenty of prizes to be won. All community members are welcome to come along for this fabulous fundraising event.

Did you know that the Pulitzer prize winning cartoonist, Art Spiegelman created the Garbage Pail Kids? Or that it was once the custom to dress baby boys in pink and girls in blue? Or that Alfred Hitchcock, horror movie director extraordinaire, was afraid of eggs? Maybe you can list all the characters and super powers of the Power Rangers.

Tables will have a maximum of 8 people and you can book a table by emailing [urunga.pandc.events@gmail.com](mailto:urunga.pandc.events@gmail.com)

Entry of \$10 per adult and \$5 per child is payable at the door on the night. Grab some friends or family of various ages, book a table and pull all those random facts out of your brain for a good cause!!

**P&C Committee**



## STAGE 3 EXCURSION MEGA RAFFLE

Raffle tickets for our Mega Raffle have been sent home to families to start to sell. Please make sure your child's name is on the envelope when you send in your sold tickets as there will be a prize for the student who sells the most tickets! Also, every student who sells raffle tickets will go into a draw to win a prize.

More ticket books are available from the office.



## NEWS FROM OUR COMMUNITY LIAISON OFFICER JENNY LUXON

### SPOTLIGHT ON K RED

**Classroom Teacher:** Mrs Wickham

**Number of Students:** 17

During our writing sessions, we often read a big book that gives us ideas about how and what to write. Recently we read 'The Bear's Picnic' and then we had to describe what we do at picnics. Following this, we decided to have our own picnic, so we took our lunches to the front of the school and had a lovely time. Here are just a few of the stories that we wrote:

*"When I go on a picnic I go to the beach for a swim with my mum and dad. I take fruit."* **Lachie**

*"When I go on a picnic I bring bananas. I like bananas and dad likes bananas."* **Layla**

*"When I go on a picnic I take fruit. Then my cousin eats all of my fruit. I went to a picnic at the river."* **Harper**

*"When I went on a picnic I went to outer space with my mum."* **Tobias**

*"When I go on a picnic I jump out of a plane and I eat fish."* **Hayden**

*"When I go on a picnic I go on a dinosaur and I eat chocolate."* **Tom**

We love literacy work stations and maths work stations. We intend to do pottery at the end of the year and make some great Christmas gifts for our families.

We also enjoy it when the pre schoolers come to visit us and share the experience of big school.

We especially love having volunteers in our classroom who help us with reading, writing and learning sight words. They are an important part of our learning adventure. **THANK YOU HELPERS!**



# WHAT'S DUE

- Stage 3 Excursion instalment 3 payment of \$100 due Friday 28th June
- Outstanding Stage 3 Excursion instalment 2 payment of \$100 - was due Fri 7th June
- Cascade Year 4 excursion permission note and \$50 deposit due Friday 21st June
- Book Club orders due Friday 21st June
- Sold MEGA RAFFLE tickets with money
- Educational Resources and Voluntary School Contribution Fees

NAIDOC CELEBRATIONS 2019

VOICE.TREATY.TRUTH

LET'S WORK TOGETHER FOR A SHARED FUTURE

**Wednesday:** Come dressed in the colours of the Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander flags.  
**BLACK, RED & YELLOW or BLUE, GREEN, BLACK & WHITE**



***Fun for whole family and  
community***



Adults \$10

Children \$5

Payable at door

Teams of no more than 8

Book your team at

[urunga.pandc.events@gmail.com](mailto:urunga.pandc.events@gmail.com)





Join us for a great day

# Athletics Carnival

Come and watch the events.  
Cheer along our athletes.

Tuesday 25th June


Kalang - Yellow  
Bellinger - Blue



Canteen facilities  
available on the day.  
Lots of hot food  
and drinks.

***Please label all  
clothes clearly  
with your child's name.***

# COMMUNITY INFORMATION




**Junior Taggers**  
**SCHOOL HOLIDAY CLINIC**  
**COFFS HARBOUR**

**\$40**  
**EARLY BIRD DISCOUNT**  
REGISTER BEFORE TEST TIME

**Wednesday July 10th**  
**Geoff King Motors Oval**  
**9:30am – 1:00pm**  
**Ages 5-14 Boys & Girls**

Register Now:  
[www.oztagequipmentsupplies.com](http://www.oztagequipmentsupplies.com)



**INCLUDES**  
OZTAG COTTON TEE  
SOFT PEAK VISOR

 **Cancer Council**  
Healthy Lunch Box

Nutrition Snippet

## The simplest way

... to ensure your child is eating from the five food groups

Try our nutritious [Chicken Burrito Bowl](#) which ticks off three of the five food groups.

**Grain (Cereal) Foods**

**Meat & Alternatives**

**Vegetables**



Together with a piece of fruit and some dairy, such as a tub of reduced-fat yoghurt, lunch is sorted!

[healthylunchbox.com.au](http://healthylunchbox.com.au)

 **SCHOLASTIC**

## Book Club LOOP for Parents

**LOOP** is the Scholastic Book Club  
Linked Online Ordering & Payment platform for parents.

To order and pay for Scholastic Book Club by credit card visit:

[www.scholastic.com.au/LOOP](http://www.scholastic.com.au/LOOP)



## BELLINGEN SHIRE TAXIS .... Bellingen, Dorrigo & Urunga

### JOB VACANCIES CURRENTLY AVAILABLE

Bellingen Shire Taxis, due to our expansion of our Transport Services, within our region .. have several positions for the 2019 / 2020... School Years.

**Assisted School Transport Drivers (ASTP) and Assisted Transport Support Officers (ATSO) ARE PAID POSITIONS**

Students with a disability who are unable to travel to and from school without assistance rely on our dedicated team to support and drive eligible students in our various vehicles to schools throughout the region.

If you have 2 hrs in the morning and afternoon during all School terms to either Drive or to be a Support Officer for our students. Have already (or prepared to obtain) a Valid Working with Children Check, National Criminal Check and are Medically Fit and Reliable, we would like to hear from you

### POSITIONS AVAILABLE ( Permanent or Casual Pool of Workers )

Assisted Travel Support Officers (ATSO) ... (Paid hourly rate)

Assisted School Transport Driver (ASTP) ... (Paid hourly rate)

Taxi Driver's Full Shifts or Fill in Shifts ..... (Commission based)

For more information please email [susan.mcleod@bigpond.com](mailto:susan.mcleod@bigpond.com)

View the website [www.education.nsw.gov.au/public-schools/astp](http://www.education.nsw.gov.au/public-schools/astp)

Or phone Greg 0427 341 679 for more details

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