

UMINA BEACH PUBLIC SCHOOL WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

**Term 1, Week 7
Tuesday 12 March, 2019**



One of our two 'peaceful pods' in the Library for quiet reading

P&C Association

Meet every 2nd Tuesday of the month
All parents welcome.

School Canteen

8:45am – 12:00 noon.
Volunteers welcome.

Uniform Shop

Thursday 8:45am – 9:30am
Thursday 2:30pm – 3:15pm

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DIARY DATES

TERM 1, 2019	
Thu 14 Mar	Selective HS test
Thu 21 Mar	Harmony Day – wear orange mufti
Fri 22 Mar	Splash-a-thon whole school. P&C major fundraiser.
Mon 25 Mar	Pet Talk – Yrs 1 & 2
Tue 26 Mar	Pet Talk - Kindergarten
Wed – Thu 27/28 Mar	Year 4 overnight Sydney excursion
Mon – Fri 1-12 Apr	Year 2 Swim School (2 weeks)
Fri 12 Apr	Cross Country carnival

From the Deputy Principal...

PARENT TEACHER INTERVIEWS

Many thanks to the parents who made the time to come along and speak to their child's teacher about the best ways we can support our students. The information you shared with our teachers was invaluable and the teachers appreciated the time to talk to you about making 2019 a success.

BUS BEHAVIOUR

We are currently reminding students about the appropriate behaviour when travelling to and from school on the bus. Our expectations when travelling on the bus is that students follow the instructions from the bus driver and cooperate where possible by keeping the noise level to an appropriate volume and remaining seated until they reach their stop. The bus company that provides travel to and from school reserves the right to withdraw any student's bus pass for a period of time who are not complying with the instructions of the bus driver. Please take the time to reinforce the expectations of safe and respectful bus travel with your child.

TELL THEM FROM ME SURVEY (YRS 4-6)

This survey evaluates students' current feelings and thoughts about various aspects of school life and provides great information on how we can best meet the needs of our older students. A consent form to opt-out was sent home to all students in Years 4 - 6. This information is very useful for our school when making decisions on how best to support our students.

SPLASH-A-THON

The Splash-a-thon is fast approaching. Please support your child in getting sponsors for the event to be held here at school on Friday 22 March. Let's hope it's a warm sunny day.



HARMONY DAY

On Thursday 21 March we will be celebrating Harmony Day in the classrooms. **Students are encouraged to wear orange on the day.** Harmony day recognises the unique multicultural aspects of Australia and the contributions of various cultures to our unique identity.

Have a wonderful week,

Chad Tsakissiris - Deputy Principal



Your child has taken home a Stewart House envelope. Stewart House is the main charity supported by the Department of Education. Your donation helps support 1,800 students per year who stay at Stewart House in times of need. All envelopes must be returned to school by **Friday 24 May**. Don't forget to fill out your details on the back so you can enter the draw to win a \$4,000 family holiday. If you didn't receive a Stewart House envelope any envelope will do just include a gold coin, your name, address, postcode and mobile number on the back to go into the draw.



CANTEEN NEWS

Wed 13 Mar	Sue Park, Danielle W
Thu 14 Mar	Ana Mc, Jody B
Fri 15 Mar	Ana T, Stephanie W, Helena C, Amanda S
Mon 18 Mar	Eillean D, Judy B
Tue 19 Mar	Heather M

- ✓ Please ensure lunch orders are placed by 9:15am
- ✓ SUSHI available Fridays – only \$3.50
- ✓ Slushy information – the brown slushy is NOT coke it is called Fruit Burst. Our slushies have a 4.5 star rating and is approved by The Healthy Kids Association

Debora Elliott – Canteen Manager

P&C NEWS – AGM TONIGHT Attention all UBPS community!

Our lovely P&C meet on the second Tuesday of every month and you are invited to join us tonight Tuesday 12 March at 7:00pm in the school staff room. We had lots of new faces at our last meeting and it's never too late to come along and see what we're about - we hope to see you there!

In the lead up to catching up with you on Tuesday night, we do want to take a minute to discuss the Annual General Meeting (AGM!) Note, this Tuesday night IS the AGM - so we catch up as usual but the purpose of this meeting is a little different to every other month. You could say it's the most important meeting of the year!

The reason the AGM is important, is that this is the meeting where all formal positions in our awesome P&C are up for grabs, and this is a fantastic chance for you to be involved in our P&C and help lead our community to support our school and the children within it! The process goes like this...each year at our AGM we are required to nominate the following positions:

President	Vice President x 2
Treasurer	Secretary

In the past we've had a very capable and dedicated team in these positions, but the time is ripe for change! Some of our volunteer mums have returned to work and now hold other commitments and some are almost out of the school as their children have grown, meaning the P&C is looking for new people to take on each of the above roles in 2019! This is the perfect time to bring your skills and awesomeness into a role within the P&C, and still be mentored and positively supported by our previous team, who fully intend to remain part of the P&C in 2019 and beyond!

So please consider the roles above for yourself or someone you know. And of course, come along tonight and see what it's all about.

See you there!

Jodi Reith – P&C President

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STUDENT PARLIAMENT

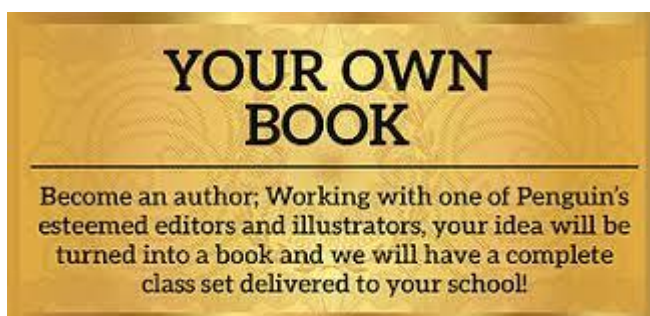
We started by reminding everyone about last week's motions. We then moved on to reminders from our ministers and their oppositions. We had 3 motions – the first one was for our school to get more solar panels. There were great arguments but unfortunately, it got defeated. The second motion was to get badges for library helpers and environment group members. Some argued that these groups were important but others argued that they may cost too much. This motion got carried. The final motion was to wash the fake grass section because of the mess birds have made. This motion got carried.

We look forward to our next meet.

Jessica and Elizabeth

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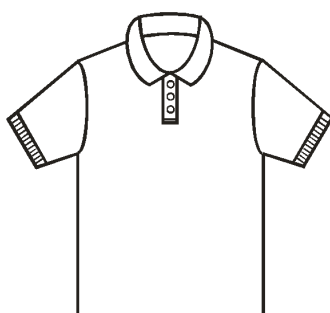
Students in Years 3 – 6 will have the opportunity to participate in the International Competitions and Assessments for Schools (ICAS). This is an independent, skills-based assessment program which recognises and rewards student achievement. A note with all the information went home with students last week. **All entries with payment will be accepted up until Friday 29 March.**



LIBRARY NEWS

Primary classes have been or will be told about an exciting opportunity for imaginative storywriters. Roald Dahl's IMAGINORMOUS challenge – please visit imaginormousaustralia.com for more information.

Book Club #2 – orders are due in by Friday 22 March (end of Week 8)



YEAR 6 POLO SHIRTS

Don't miss out! Get your Yr 6 polo shirt order in by next Friday 22 March – only \$33.00 each. Spare order forms are available from the front office.

STAY INFORMED



App Store

Get school newsletters/permission notes via an app on **your phone – it's easy!**

- ✓ **Go to App Store**
- ✓ Search for 'School Enews'
- ✓ Click on it and search for Umina Beach Public School
- ✓ Click on the 'cog wheel' at the bottom of the screen and turn on appropriate icons ie: band, sport, extra curricula (which is dance, recorder etc) and **newsletter**. **Never miss a newsletter again!**



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- ✓ Visit our website at www.umina-p.schools.nsw.edu.au
- ✓ Click the 'newsletter and notes' heading
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- ✓ Enter your name and email address
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- ✓ **IMPORTANT** – an email will be sent to your email address, you **MUST** click the 'Activate now'

If you require a hard copy please put it in writing with child's name and class. Otherwise, we will assume you have the App. However, you will not receive other important notes that go out each week with your child. We upload notes via the same process eg. Band, comedy club, sport, so having the App is really handy!

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