

UMINA BEACH PUBLIC SCHOOL WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

Term 1, Week 8
Tuesday 19 March, 2019



Julie Aitchison and Stephen Cummings present their book 'Umina The First 50 Years'

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 21 Mar	Harmony Day – wear orange mufti
Fri 22 Mar	Splash-a-thon whole school. P&C major fundraiser. Closing date for – Year 6 polo shirts and ICAS competitions
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 Principal...

HARMONY DAY

Our school will celebrate Harmony Day on Thursday this week (March 21). It is very timely that we take the time to celebrate diversity and tolerance after the tragic events in Christchurch last week. The children are encouraged to wear orange clothing on Thursday and class teachers will provide teaching/learning activities around the theme of Harmony Day.

SPLASH-A-THON

Yes it is that time of year again. Our P&C have organised another exciting Splash-a-thon. This is their major fundraiser for the year and an event that the children love. Please consider coming along on the day as a volunteer but be prepared to get wet. As in previous years there will be a wet and a dry course.

Splash-a-thon 2019 Timetable

TIME	DRY COURSE	WET COURSE
9:30 - 9:45	6M, 6A	6J, 6L
9:45 - 10:00	6J, 6L	6M, 6A
10:05 - 10:20	5C, 5E, 5M	5J, 5W
10:20 - 10:35	5J, 5W	5C, 5E, 5M
10:40 - 10:55	2D, 2B, 2C	2F, 2M
10:55 - 11:10	2F, 2M	2D, 2B, 2C
LUNCH	11.15 - 12.10	11.15 - 12.10
12:15 - 12:30	KB, KC, KF	KJ, KK, KM
12:30 - 12:45	KJ, KK, KM	KB, KC, KM
12:50 - 1:05	1P, 1S, 1D	1H, 1M
1:05 - 1:20	1H, 1M	1P, 1S, 1D
1:25 - 1:40	3A, 3B	3D, 3N
1:40 - 1:55	3D, 3N	3A, 3B
2:00 - 2:15	4A, 4B	4G, 4K
2:15 - 2:30	4G, 4K	4A, 4B
RECESS	2.35 - 3.00	2.35 - 3.00

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YEAR 4 OVERNIGHT EXCURSION TO SYDNEY

Year 4 students are getting very excited about their excursion to Sydney next week. Final organisational matters are proceeding under the leadership of Miss Allan. Miss Allan, Mrs Gonzalez, Mr Butler and Mr Benson will accompany the children next week. Final payments are due now and can be made at the office. Your child will certainly enjoy this exciting learning adventure.

NAPLAN ONLINE

NAPLAN assesses literacy and numeracy – important skills that each child needs to succeed in school and life. The NAPLAN tests are designed to help us make sure students are on track with their literacy and numeracy development. Students in Years 3, 5, 7 and 9 participate in NAPLAN tests for reading, writing, conventions of language (spelling, grammar and punctuation) and numeracy.

Year 3 and Year 5 students will participate in a practice NAPLAN online test next week so that they are familiar with the log in procedures and the online tools prior to the actual test in May.

Between May 14 and May 24 our school will participate in NAPLAN Online. Students do not need to be computer experts to take the NAPLAN test online. Making sure students have computer skills is part of our school curriculum, and our teachers will ensure your child is familiar with the online format. To see the types of questions and interactive features of NAPLAN Online, visit [the public demonstration site](#).

If you have any questions about NAPLAN Online, please contact your child's teacher.

For more info:

- [How to support your child during NAPLAN](#)
- [information for parents and carers](#)
- [Watch a video that explains NAPLAN Online](#)
- [Subscribe to ACARA's monthly parent newsletter, Parent Update](#)

YOUNG LEADERS DAY

Mrs White and Mr Murphy accompanied our school leaders to Young Leaders Day at the International Convention Centre at Darling Harbour on Monday, March 11. Our student leaders really enjoyed the day and have passed on their key learnings from the day. Here is their report from Young Leaders Day -

'Tim Diamond is the General Manager of Cotton On Foundation. The Foundation's goal is to help kids all around the world get a home and a proper education. His first step was to go to Uganda and using dollars raised, thousands of children got hot meals. The main message from his presentation was that a small impact can make a difference'.

'Tasmin Janu is a young author who travelled the world to get inspiration for her book "Figgy and the World". Her advice was to savour the time you have and enjoy it'.

'Cate Campbell is a famous Australian swimmer. She explained that she took up swimming lessons as she wanted to beat her sister. She has achieved that goal. Cate told us that if something makes you nervous that is good and that goal setting will help you achieve what you want and that you must remain focussed, keep trying and never give up'.

'Holly Ferling is an Australian women's cricketer. She explained that all of the cameras and eyes are on her when she bowls a ball. She encouraged us to embrace the scary and exciting. We had a fantastic day!'

Nick, Sienna and Keira.

CROSS COUNTRY

Umina Beach Public School's annual cross country carnival will be held on **Friday 12 April**. Students will come to school wearing their sport uniform, including house colour t-shirts, hats and joggers. It is important that students bring plenty of water (2 bottles are suggested), recess, lunch, sunscreen and a towel to sit on if they wish.

Students who are asthmatics are required to take their ventolin with them during the race.

This year the course will involve students running outside the school grounds, around Umina Oval and finishing in the primary playground. If you wish to sign your children out early you will have to go to the office.

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PHOTOGRAPHY WORKSHOP



Sophie 6L



Bailey 6M

Last Tuesday, 28 Yr 6 students were selected to try a photography workshop. Our instructor for the day was Sally. Sally provided cameras for the whole day so we could learn different techniques to achieve the perfect photograph. Sally asked for 3 volunteers to come up and with her instructions, show the class how important the *positioning* in a photo really is.

I was chosen to be the subject in our example photo. I wore a wig and a jacket and moved around the frame to see the 'rule of thirds'. We used different settings eg. black & white, fish eye, miniature, toy and regular. Some of us took photos of nature, buildings and even friends and teachers.

After we finished taking our photos we selected our 5 favourites and used little printers to print them out. One of our 5 photos will get enlarged and put up at the 5 Lands Walk at Copacabana this year. I know everyone had an excellent day and without Sally, our instructor, we would not have had such a fantastic time.

I thank everyone who was involved and look forward to future workshops at school.

Chloe 6A

ZONE SWIMMING CARNIVAL



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On Tuesday last week, 36 talented swimmers from UBPS attended the local Zone Swimming Carnival at the Peninsula Leisure Centre. Our students competed in races against 13 other local schools and worked hard to beat their personal best times and secure places in the next level of the competition – Sydney North. All UBPS students demonstrated excellent behaviour and sportsmanship during the carnival. Our students also performed extremely well in the events which helped our school come 2nd place in total points scored for the day!

A few special mentions go to:

- Our junior girls 4x 50m relay team (Bridget, Lily, Kelsey, Chloe) – 1st place overall
- Our Junior boys 4 x 50m relay team (Beau, Sonny, Lachlan, Kaiyan) – 2nd place overall
- Our senior girls 4x 50m relay team (Elka, Phoebe, Ava, Sienna) – 2nd place overall
- Zoe D – broke the time record in 8yrs 50m Freestyle
- Johnathan H – broke the time record for 12/13yrs 50m backstroke
- Sienna S – Girls senior 200m individual medley – 1st place overall
- Kelsey P – awarded junior girls age champion

Well done to all students who represented our school in the zone swimming carnival and good luck to the students who will be representing us at the Sydney North carnival in Homebush. Those students will receive their paperwork shortly. Thank you to the parents who came along for support.

Miss Ainsworth, Mr Jones, Miss Pallas

CENTRAL COAST DANCE FESTIVAL – ENSEMBLE GROUPS

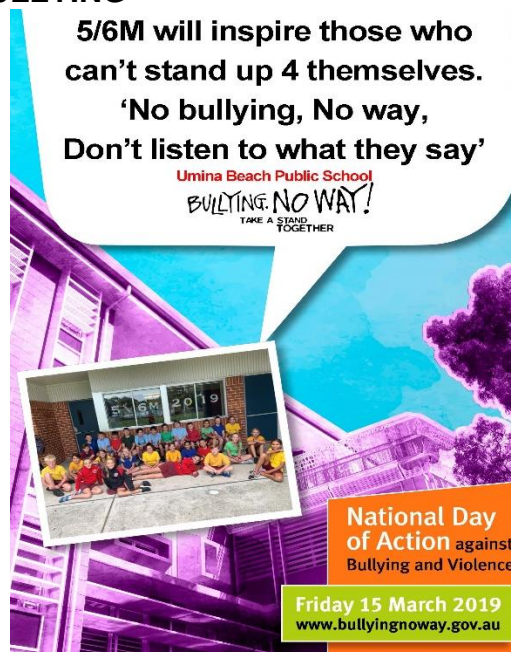
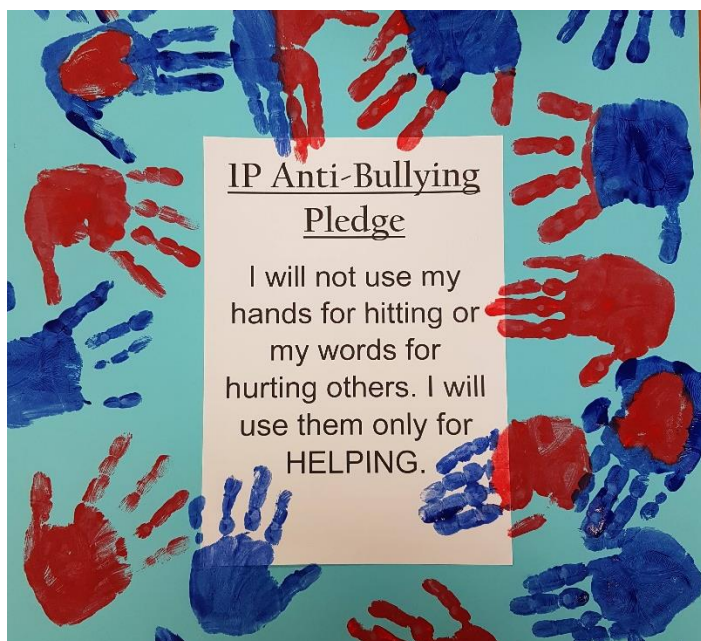
Each year the Central Coast Dance Festival holds auditions for a few special ensemble groups. Each school is only allowed to send a limited number of students to audition. It is very difficult to be selected for these groups as students from all schools across the Central Coast try out. Our school nominated students based upon interest and their participation in our school dance groups last year. Congratulations to the following students who successfully auditioned and were offered a place in the following ensemble groups;

- Junior Regional Ensemble – Mia S
- Junior Hip Hop Ensemble – Saskia R and Ava M
- Boys Crew – Manix R, Jack R, Nicoli A, Ben G, Riley M

Our UBPS dance groups will submit video auditions in the last week of term and will find out in Term 2 whether they will be featured in the Dance Festival shows in June/July at Laycock Street Theatre.

Miss Ainsworth - Dance Coordinator

WE SAY NO TO BULLYING



Last Friday, our school participated in the National Day of Action Against Bullying. Throughout the day classes discussed ways to identify and stop bullying. Everyone needs to work together to prevent bullying just like the students in 1P and 5/6M

STUDENT ABSENCES

On occasion, your child may need to be absent from school. Following an absence you must ensure that **within 7 days** you provide your child's teacher with a verbal or written explanation for the absence. However, if the school has not received an explanation from you within 2 days, the school may contact you to discuss the absence. Justified reasons for student absences may include:

- Being sick, or having an infectious disease
- Having an unavoidable medical appointment
- Being required to attend a recognised religious holiday
- Exceptional or urgent family circumstance (e.g. attending a funeral)

Families are encouraged to travel during school holidays. If travel during school term is necessary, discuss this with your child's teacher. An application for *Extended Leave: Travel* should be completed. If overseas travel or a cruise is involved, travel documentation (itinerary or flight tickets) showing departure and return dates are to be presented to the school. Absences relating to travel will be marked as leave on the roll and therefore contribute to your child's total absences for the year.

Please note that an explanation for a partial absence is also required. If a child is late or leaves early a written explanation or verbal from a parent is required to justify the partial absence. An automated email will also be sent if an explanation is not received for a partial absence.



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.

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CANTEEN NEWS

Wed 20 Mar	Sue Park, Dannielle W
Thu 21 Mar	Ana M, Jody B
Fri 22 Mar	Stephanie W, Helena C, Amanda S, Yvette W
Mon 25 Mar	Eilleen D,
Tue 26 Mar	Heather M, Kim Y

SPLASH-A-THON SPECIAL LUNCH

Roadie Pie (170gm) + sauce
Blue Icy treat all for only \$4.00

OR

Sausage roll + sauce
Blue Icy treat all for only \$3.50



Debra Elliott - Canteen Manager



CLASS 1M – HISTORY PROJECT

1M have been engaged in a fun History project. Each student talked with their families and collected information about their family history. Yesterday in class the students created a representation of their life on a timeline from birth until now. We enjoyed listening to presentations all about the students' lives during Speaking & Listening and then made a great display for our classroom. Well done 1M!

Caroline Pope - 1M Teacher W - F



YEAR 6 POLO SHIRT

Don't miss out! Get your Year 6 polo shirt order in by this Friday 22 March – only \$33.00 each. Spare order forms are available at the front office. **No late orders can be accepted.**

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DIGITAL CHILD SAFETY HANDBOOK

We are pleased to advise that a new edition of this valuable safety resource is now available online with updated safety content.

We urge all parents and carers to download this latest edition and discuss the safety content with your children.

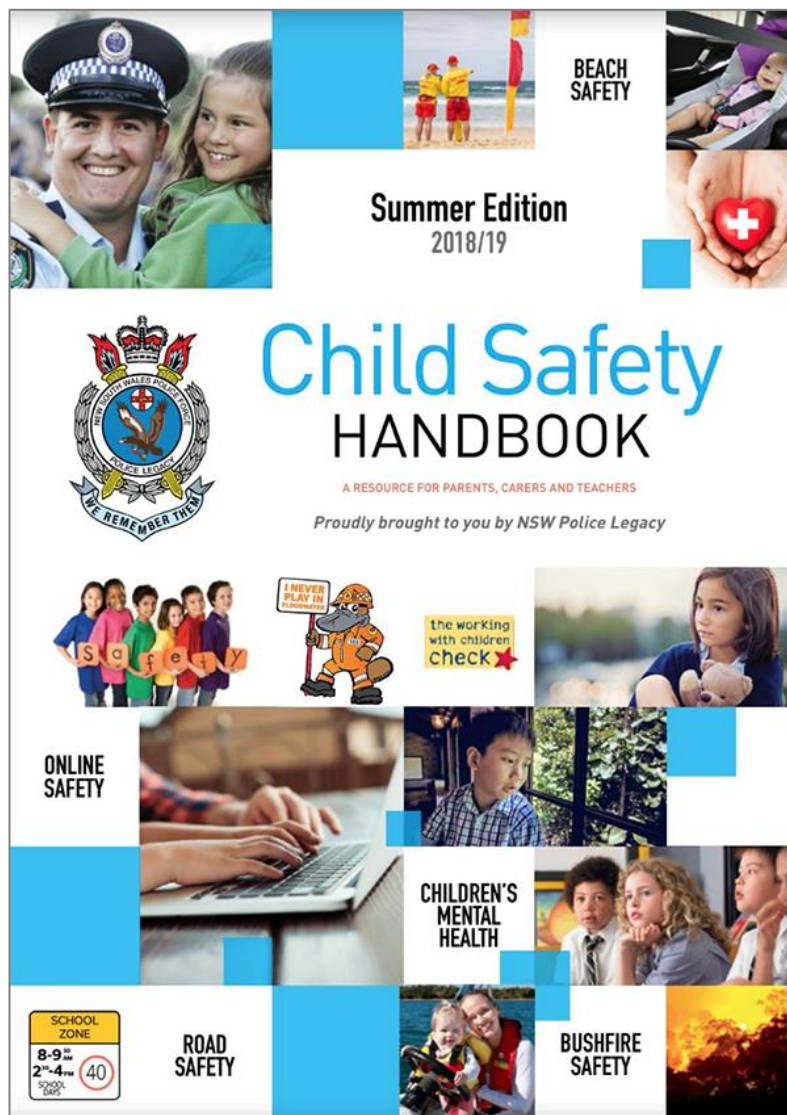
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Central Coast Council
of Parents and Citizens Associations
of New South Wales (CCC P&C)

Parents, Carers, Community Members – ALL WELCOME

Cyber Awareness Forum

Do you know what your children are up to?
Do you know the consequences of online actions?
Do you want to know how to protect them?

Join Central Coast Council of P&Cs as we host The E-Safety Commission supported by the local Dept. of Education to discuss the issues you need to know in this 21st century social media world.

Date: Thursday 28th March 2019

Time: 7pm - 9pm

Venue: Mingara Recreation Club, Mingara Drive, Tumbi Umbi, 2261

This is a chance for parents, carers and community members to understand current risks that children face. Please note: This is a *child free* event.

Please register, for catering purposes, via <http://www.cccpandc.org>

Light refreshments & venue provided courtesy of Mingara



UNIVERSITY OF NSW COMPETITIONS

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.**

YOUR OWN BOOK

Become an author; Working with one of Penguin's esteemed editors and illustrators, your idea will be turned into a book and we will have a complete class set delivered to your school!

IMAGINORMOUS
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2018

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 this Friday 22 March.



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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!**



If you would like to receive your **newsletter by email then please follow these directions.**

- ✓ Visit our website at www.umina-p.schools.nsw.edu.au
- ✓ Click the 'newsletter and notes' heading
- ✓ Click on 'subscribe to receive newsletters and notes'
- ✓ Click on 'Newsletters' and also the year your child is in to receive notes and updates
- ✓ Enter your name and email address
- ✓ Click 'subscribe'
- ✓ **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!

COMMUNITY NEWS

The advertisement features a blue background with a seahorse logo at the top. The text is centered and reads: 'Baby Swimming | Learn to Swim | Mini Squads', 'Aqua Aerobics | Public Swimming', 'Book your FREE assessment today!', 'Ph: 4345 0402', '30 Empire Bay Drive, Daleys Point', and 'swim@daleyspoint.com.au'.

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