

# UMINA BEACH PUBLIC SCHOOL WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

**Term 2, Week 4**  
**Tuesday 21 May, 2019**



## **P&C Association**

Meet every 2<sup>nd</sup> 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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**Office hours: 8:30am – 3:30pm**

**Report any suspicious behaviour toll free to School Security 1300 482737**



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## DIARY DATES

|                             | TERM 2, 2019                                      |
|-----------------------------|---|
| <b>Tues 14 – Fri 24 May</b> | NAPLAN online Year 3 & 5                          |
| <b>Fri 24 May</b>           | Zone X country                                    |
| <b>Tue 28 May</b>           | Paul Kelly Cup AFL<br>P&C Disco                   |
| <b>Wed 29 May</b>           | Yr 4 Settlers Day<br>Girls soccer                 |
| <b>Wed 5 June</b>           | Dance Festival rehearsals – all groups            |
| <b>Thur 6 June</b>          | Pyjama Day – fundraiser for Give Me 5 For Kids    |
| <b>Fri 14 June</b>          | Golf lessons K-6 - Free                           |
| <b>Mon 24 June</b>          | Camp Quality Puppet Show K-6 – gold coin donation |
| <b>Tue 25 June</b>          | Dance Festival rehearsals – Stage 2 group         |
| <b>Wed 26 June</b>          | Dance Festival rehearsals – Boys group            |
| <b>Mon 1 July</b>           | Stg 2 tennis                                      |
| <b>Tue 2 July</b>           | Dance Festival rehearsals – Stage 3 group         |
| <b>Wed 3 July</b>           | NAIDOC assembly                                   |
| <b>Fri 5 July</b>           | Athletics carnival – LAST DAY OF TERM 2           |

*From the Principal...*



### SCHOOL KISS AND DROP ZONE SYDNEY AVENUE

I received this letter from a parent regarding the safety of our students. Our School Council has raised the matter several times and reminders have been placed in the school newsletter regarding the use of the Kiss and Drop Zone. This letter summarises the frustration felt by many parents.

*"I am writing to you out of frustration and the obvious safety concerns of the children who are being deliberately placed in a dangerous position by the inconsiderate, lazy and arrogant parents who utilise the Kiss and Drop Zone as a gossip/chat station. On several occasions I have witnessed parents (children long departed) standing on the roadside of vehicles engaged in conversation oblivious to the surrounding environment. (Cars of 1-2 tonnes of heavy metal mass jockeying for a position within a 100m space allocation). At times cars are sometimes 2 abreast. This space is set up by the council/public school system for parents to utilise and to deliver our children in a safe and ordinal manner....Is it possible to direct parents to the large council car park at the end of Sydney Avenue."*

I thought I would add that yesterday morning a mother reported that because cars were 2 abreast in Sydney Avenue a child went between the cars and there was a near miss situation. The children are quite small and sometimes cannot be seen over the bonnet of large vehicles. Please keep our children safe and do not drop them off or call them to your car in the middle of the road. It is a very short walk from the surf club to the school.

Parents are reminded that you cannot park in the Kiss and Drop Zone between 8:00 - 9:30 and 2:30 - 4:00 and drivers should remain in their vehicle.

Council Rangers have been in attendance and will continue to attend in an attempt to ensure that parents drive and act responsibly at drop off and pick up time.

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## ELECTION DAY SAUSAGE SIZZLE

Yes our P&C provided a democracy BBQ on Saturday! Well done !!! Thank you to all of the parents who supported the BBQ. Of course we must also thank the volunteers who came along and worked at the BBQ. Parents were here from 6:30am making sure everything was ready to go and they had spent a great deal of time during the week purchasing food and drinks. The organisation was excellent and we are fortunate to have such a skilled group of hard working P&C members. All this just after the Mother's Day stall and just before the Disco on Tuesday May 28. We really appreciate everything you do for our school!

*Lyn Davis*

## 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 either on paper or by email [umina-p.school@det.nsw.edu.au](mailto:umina-p.school@det.nsw.edu.au) for the absence. If the school has not received an explanation from you within 2 days, a computer generated email/letter will be sent out and the school may also 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.

*Colleen White* - Relieving Deputy Principal

## NAPLAN UPDATE

We are proud of our Year 3 and Year 5 students who have been working hard to complete their NAPLAN assessments over the past 10 days. All students sat the NAPLAN writing assessment last week with our Year 3 students sitting a paper writing test and Year 5 completing it online. On the first day of testing across the state NSW Education Standards Authority (NESA) reported disruptions across schools. NESA has offered a re-sit option for those schools majorly affected by these outages. We did experience some minor connection issues that were resolved immediately. These did not impact on our students' ability to complete the test and therefore we will not be re-sitting the Year 5 online writing test.

*Colleen White* - Relieving Deputy Principal

## CANTEEN NEWS

|            |                                       |
|------------|---------------------------------------|
| Wed 22 May | Sue Park                              |
| Thu 23 May | Jody B, Ana Mc                        |
| Fri 24 May | Stephanie W, Rick B, Viki D, Amanda S |
| Mon 27 May | Eileen D, Zoe B                       |
| Tue 28 May | Yana, Heather M                       |

**Big thanks to our current volunteers who continue to support the school canteen BUT we still need your help. Please consider helping out at your child's canteen.**

Have a happy, healthy week!

*Debora Elliott* - Canteen Manager



## SCHOOL HEALTH ISSUE

Just a friendly reminder that we are heading into the 'season of sickness' where illness seems to become a little more prevalent as the colder weather sets upon us. We would like to remind parents that if your child is presenting with signs of illness that we would encourage you to provide care for them at home until they are well enough to return to school. Send us an email marked attention your child's teacher. As much as we are a school that encourages sharing and caring between all members of our school community – ill health and sickness are not something we wish to be spreading throughout the school. We thank you in advance for your understanding and support in this matter.

Please visit the NSW Department of Education Health page for more information regarding children being too sick to attend school.

<https://education.nsw.gov.au/public-schools/practical-help-for-parents-and-carers/family-wellbeing/health/too-sick-to-go-to-school>



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Holgate – Kincumber – Pretty Beach – Umina – Woodport – Woy Woy – Woy Woy South

# Southern Central Coast PSSA CROSS COUNTRY

**Friday 24 May 2019**

**Venue:**

Umina Oval (Melbourne Ave, Umina)

**Program**

10.15 am

Seated and official welcome

10.30 am

Walk the course – All competitors and team managers  
(check points to walk and take position)

**11.10 am**

**Begin first race.**

1.30 pm

Return to school.

**Race Order**

| Time  | Race                           | Distance |
|-------|--------------------------------|----------|
| 11.10 | 8,9 yrs Boys                   | 2km      |
| 11.25 | 8,9 yrs Girls                  | 2km      |
| 11.40 | 10 yrs Boys                    | 2km      |
| 12.05 | 10 yrs Girls                   | 2km      |
| 12.20 | 11 yrs Boys                    | 3km      |
| 12.35 | 11 yrs Girls                   | 3km      |
| 12.50 | 12,13 yrs Boys                 | 3km      |
| 1.05  | 12,13yrs Girls                 | 3km      |
| 1.30  | Commence return trip to school |          |

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# **UBPS P&C Disco**

## **Tuesday 28 May**

FEATURING DJ H BOMB  
YEAR K - 2 | 5.00PM - 6.15PM  
YEAR 3 - 6 | 6.30PM - 8.00PM



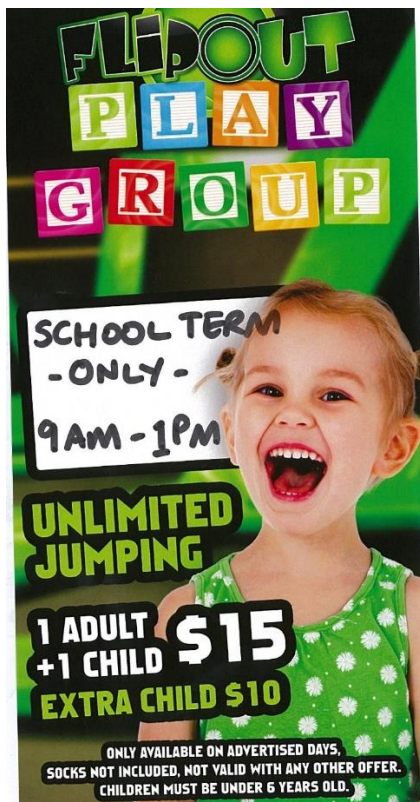
### **ARE YOU READY TO PARTY?**

The P&C School Disco is on next Tuesday 28 May.

The disco theme is "Come As Your Favourite Character" as chosen by our student parliament. DJ-H-BOMB will be in the house and there are great prizes to be won for best dressed!! But please no masks and no prop weapons.

Take the night off cooking and purchase a deluxe meal deal for only \$10.00 (pre-purchased tickets only).

Notes have been sent home this week, but visit our Facebook page for more information. Volunteers are also needed so get in touch with the P&C if you are keen to have some FUN!!



TWO OF OUR FABULOUS SPONSORS FOR THE P&C DISCO

## Find the Golden Ticket Books!

To encourage the reading of fiction stories we have hidden Golden E Tickets in some of the fiction books in our library. When students borrow a Golden Ticket book the borrowing computer will 'ding' to let us know. We will then give the student a Golden Ticket to write a brief review of the book after it is read. When the review is returned to the library, the student may choose a prize from the prize box. Their review will be displayed for others to read. Good luck!

Mrs Darmody and Mrs Deas.



Scholastic Book Club #3 is due in by Wednesday 22 May.

# COMMUNITY NEWS



## PIANO LESSONS

Flexible times available  
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