

UMINA BEACH PUBLIC SCHOOL WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

**Term 4, Week 6
Tuesday 17 November, 2020**



YEAR 1 EXCURSION TO RUMBALARA

P&C Association

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TERM 4 DIARY DATES

Wed 18 Nov	OC Placement Test (in school) Yr 6 Transition to HS
Thur 19 Nov	COLOURRun P&C fundraiser
Thur 26 Nov	Mini Fete Year 5 & 6 only
Wed 9 Dec	Presentation Day – At this stage unfortunately no parents will be able to attend
Thur 10 Dec	Year 6 Farewell
Mon 14 Dec	Party Day – all classes CANTEEN CLOSED THIS DAY
Tues 15 Dec	Rewards Day
Wed 16 Dec	Year 6 Arch LAST DAY for students and staff

From the Principal...

COLOURRUN

Staff and students are getting very excited about our first school Colourrun. The P&C have put a great deal of thought into the day. The children will have a great time. It is vital that children wear old clothes and old closed in shoes on Thursday for the colourrun and a towel is also an essential. We expect all children to stay at school until the end of the day and enjoy all of the fun for everyone.

CLASS PLACEMENTS

A reminder to parents that you have until the end of November to advise the school in writing of any special circumstances that need to be taken into account when forming classes for 2021.

MOVING ON

I would like to thank the school community for the outstanding support you have for our school. We can be proud of what we have achieved together however it is time for me to move on. I have been offered and accepted a position with the NSW Department of Education School Leadership Institute. This exciting position will allow me to have influence on developing future school leaders from across the state. Leadership Development has been my passion as a school leader and I am looking forward to having this as my main focus over the next 3 years.

The last day of this term will be my last day at Umina Beach PS as principal. I have mixed emotions about leaving this beautiful school as its leader. It has been the best job I have ever had and one that I have enjoyed every day. The school has an excellent leadership team and the fantastic teachers will continue to do everything they can for your children. As a member of the local community I will always be keeping an eye on what the school is up to and I look forward to continuing my friendships with the many families I have met here into the future.

Lyn Davis

WILL YOUR CHILDREN BE RETURNING TO OUR SCHOOL IN 2021?

If your family holiday is extending beyond the first day of school 2021, we require a letter from parents/carers assuring the school that they will be returning and at what date. Please send a letter to the school ASAP with details and dates.

Also – if you know that you will be moving or your child will be attending another school next year please let us know as soon as possible. **Children who are not present on the first day without advance notice may not be placed in classes, as we will assume they are not returning.**

Mr Tsakissiris

OPPORTUNITY CLASS PLACEMENT

Opportunity Class placement test will be held tomorrow at school. Students who have applied and are sitting the test, should be at school promptly by 9:15.

It is important that all students bring their copy of the 'Test Authority' letter showing their application number.

We wish these students well for the test.

GOLD CROWN READERS

Congratulations to the following Infants student who has reached Gold Crown level in the BEAR Home Reading Program. What a great achievement! **Isaac 1P**

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YEAR 1 RUMBALARA EXCURSION

On Monday and Tuesday, Year One went on an excursion to Rumbalara reserve, as part of our Geography unit- Local Places and Spaces. We began the day at the top of the reserve where we looked out over an amazing view of some waterways, East Gosford and Woy Woy. We discussed with our guides, the natural and built features that we could see. We then went on an adventurous bushwalk down the mountain. Along the way we examined the native flora, made stick puzzles, discussed how the bush needed fire to rejuvenate and investigated how the Aboriginal people used the bush to suit their needs. We also had the opportunity to design and build Aboriginal gunyas and investigate animal shelters on a fun treasure hunt. We had an amazing time and we were all very tired on the bus ride back to school!

Sarah Honeyman



KINDERGARTEN BEACH VISIT

This term in Geography, Kindergarten have been learning about places in the local area. Last Friday, we visited our local beach and were even lucky enough to see a pod of dolphins! As part of NAIDOC week, the students read the Aboriginal Dreamtime story the Rainbow Serpent and collaborated as a grade to make a snake out of sand on the beach. It was a fun day out!

Marina Mondal

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YEAR 5 CAMP TOUKLEY

Year 5 attended Camp Toukley last Monday and had the opportunity to experience an adventure packed day. The students participated in bushwalking, BMX riding, bush cooking, archery, the flying fox and the giant swing. They had lots of fun learning new skills, challenging themselves and working together as a team.

Heidi Young

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NAIDOC WEEK SCIENCE SHOW

To celebrate NAIDOC week, our school was entertained by the Jollybops Science Show. The show titled “Flight, Fire and Sound” looked at the scientific principles behind the great inventions of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples. Students learnt about the science behind the returning boomerang, the science of sound, the didgeridoo and the science of fire and how indigenous communities manage and use fire with their “Caring for the Environment”.

Di Meadham

AUSSIE OF THE MONTH NOVEMBER

KB Isobel	KC Jude	KG Emily	KM Ivy
1D Beau	1H Patrick	1M Mira	1P Daniel
1S Bailey	2B Iggy	2F Lexie	2J Nylah
2M Aiesha	3B Ivy	3C Kaylyn	3G Ethan
3N Kayla	4B Matthew	4D Heath	4K Savannah
4W Dayvini	5C Lilly	5E Parker	5W Kurt
5/6J Tahlia	6A Riley	6R Nikita	6V Eliza
6Y Liam			

Most Improved in Literacy Award proudly sponsored by Wiseberry Real Estate Umina – Zamara KG, Isaiah 2F, Logan 4W and Leilani 5W.

School Citizenship Award proudly sponsored by Coastline Home Loans – Marlie KM, Kacey 2J, Aimee 3B and Zac 5/6J.

Congratulations to all of the above students – we are proud of you!

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ARE YOU INTERESTED IN JOINING THE SCHOOL BAND?

Band recruitment will be commencing soon!

In 2021, students in Year 3 to 6 will have the opportunity to enrol in our school band.

Umina Beach Public School does hire out instruments:

Woodwind: Flutes, Clarinets, Saxophones

Brass: Trumpets, Trombones, Euphoniums

Percussion: Drums

The expectations of students in band are that they:

- Attend all tutorials and practices on time
- Look after their instrument carefully
- Always bring their music to practices
- Attend all performances organised throughout the year
- Wear uniform with pride
- Follow the school's code of conduct at all times
- Pay fees promptly each term



LIBRARY NEWS

Please be aware that this will be the last week for borrowing from our library this year. The first class from each grade that returns all their books will receive an ice block! Thank you for reminding your children to find their library books and bring them back promptly.

Melisa Deas & Annette Darmody (Teacher-Librarians)

INFORMATION FOR CLASSES 2021

If you have information you would like the staff to consider when forming classes for 2021, it must **be provided to Mr Tsakissiris in writing before Friday 20 November** as next year's classes are formed after this time. Please do not assume that previous correspondence or verbal requests will be recalled. No information received after this date (including early next year) will be taken into account when forming classes unless there have been exceptional circumstances since the closing date for requests. Teachers need to make decisions on the basis of the information available and parents are asked to provide that information **now**. Providing staff with information after classes are formed is too late. Your reasons must be academic or social. For example: *My child and her cousin play together all the time before and after school and weekends and need to be kept apart at school in the classroom so learning can be the focus and they learn to socialise with other children.* Teachers will take on board your information whenever possible and match it with their professional judgement when forming classes however, there are many facts to consider along with your information which may mean your wishes cannot always be accommodated.

I need to stress that providing information after classes are formed is too late.

Mr Tsakissiris



STUDENT BANKING

Last day for student banking will be Tuesday 24 November 2020. First day for 2021 student banking will be Tuesday 16 February 2021.

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CANTEEN NEWS

Wed 18 Nov	Nicky W, Heather M
Thur 19 Nov	Jodie D
Fri 20 Nov	Nic Y, Christine, Stephanie W
Mon 23 Nov	Eileen D
Tue 24 Nov	Jenny H

SCHOOL CANTEEN CLOSED MONDAY 14 DECEMBER NO LUNCH ORDERS AVAILABLE

Have a healthy, happy week! – *Debora Elliott*



'VIRTUAL' TALENT QUEST 2020

It is that time of year again where the UBPS students get to show off their best talents! This year we are doing the talent quest a little bit differently. Students who wish to participate will be required to film and submit a **video audition** of their performance. Performances can include singing, dancing, acting, telling jokes, magic tricks or playing an instrument.

Video auditions should be submitted no later than **Monday 23 November 2020**. Please ensure the video does not exceed more than **3 minutes**.

Please send in your video audition on a **labelled USB with your child's name and class** to:

Early Stage 1 and Stage 1: Ms Mondal
Stage 2: Mrs Gonzalez
Stage 3: Miss Walters

Alternatively, you can send the video audition addressed to the teacher to the school email:
umina-p.school@det.nsw.edu.au

***Important to note:**

- The videos will be compiled to be watched by the students at school. We **will not** be able to send a copy of the final video home.
- Please ensure music for performances are the '**clean version**' and do not include inappropriate content.

We are looking forward to seeing the variety of young talent that UBPS has to offer!

Ms Mondal, Mrs Gonzalez and Miss Walters

FREE DENTAL CHECK UPS IN 2021

Last week, children in grades K-5 took home an information pack about the NSW Health Primary School Mobile Dental Program. This service will be at our school at the **beginning of February** next year. There is no cost to parents and you are urged to take advantage of the convenience of having your child's teeth checked while they are at school.

A free check up and 2 Xrays will be taken for all students at no charge. There is more information in the pack about the service that is provided.

As the visit is early in Term 1 please **return the forms ASAP**. The Department of Health will pre-load all of the information they need so that the visit is as efficient as possible.

This is a wonderful opportunity being offered to our community and I hope that all families will take advantage of this service.



UMINA BEACH PUBLIC SCHOOL P&C
CHRISTMAS FUNDRAISER 2020

Naughty or Nice Krispy Kreme Donuts & Mango Drive



WHICH LIST ARE YOU ON?



Umina Beach Public School P&C are excited to announce our end of year Christmas fundraiser is a Donut and Mango drive.

Will you be naughty and choose a box of delicious sweet Krispy Kreme Donuts? Or will you be nice and choose a tray of fresh juicy Kensington Pride Mangoes?

Can't decide? Why not choose both?

Order forms have been sent home with your children today.

Alternatively use the Krispy Kreme online store <https://www.eventbrite.com.au/e/umina-beach-public-school-pc-krispy-kreme-fundraiser-tickets-128445657419> (please note only donuts can be ordered via the online store, mangos must be ordered using our order form)

All orders MUST be in before Friday 27 November and you MUST be available for pick up on Friday the 11 December after 2:00pm.

Remember to ask your friends and family also....because who doesn't want Krispy Kreme Donuts and Mangoes!!! Extra order forms can be found in the office.

Thankyou for supporting you school's P&C.

UBPS
COLOURRUN

UBPS ColourRun – 19 November 2020

6 things you need to know before the day

We're so excited that our first ColourRun is this week, just a few days away!

Please note the following information to make the day great:

1. **It's mufti...kids should wear white** on the day - this is the best colour for a ColourRun because it shows the ColourRun powder best. If they don't have white, old clothes should be worn.
2. **Old shoes are recommended** - some previous runners have said that the colour is hard to get out of shoes.
3. Kids should **bring sunscreen and a hat, as well as an old towel** to sit on.
4. **Pack a fun recess** - all UBPS students will enjoy an extended recess time and having a "party recess" will be a great part of the day! Please note however that they cannot share food.
5. Your child needs a **completed permission slip returned** to school before Thursday. If you can't remember if you've done this already, use the one below.
6. At the end of the day **kids will be covered in a coloured powder** from ColourRun. Please consider bringing old towels/change of clothes or taking them to the beach after school before you get colour through the car!

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7. You can still return sponsorship money – its never too late!

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