



Umina Beach Public School Newsletter

Term 4, Week 1 – Tuesday 5 October, 2021

SCHOOL CALENDAR

Mon 18 Oct

Kindergarten and Year
1 return to school

Mon 25 Oct

Years 2 & 6 return to
school

Mon 1 Nov

Years 3, 4 & 5 return
to school

All other scheduled
events on our school
calendar are
temporarily suspended
due to covid
restrictions and the
advice and guidelines
from the NSW
Department of
Education and NSW
Health.

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RELIEVING PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

Welcome to Term 4, which is sure to be an exciting and ever changing one. I hope you have enjoyed the last two weeks of school holidays and made the most of the beautiful weather. We certainly all needed the break this time around.

Return Plan

Our staff have been working on the development of our return plan which we will be communicating with families in the coming days. This plan outlines all the expected issues that we have foreseen and sets processes and systems in place to ensure our school runs as efficiently as possible with everyone's safety as priority number one.

Current Status – Term 4, Weeks 1 and 2.

Our school will continue to operate as we did throughout Term 3 in the first two weeks of this term. We encourage students to continue learning at home where possible, and will make our online learning options available through Class Dojo, Google Classroom and Zoom sessions on Monday and Wednesdays. Learning units will be available for download on the school website and paper copies will be available on Monday and Tuesday between 10:00am-11:00am in our drive-thru setup on Sydney Ave. School will remain open for those families who need to send their children. We know that some workplaces are opening up and that parents and carers may need to send their children to school on the days they are working onsite. All students will engage in the same learning units at home and school. This ensures continuity of learning for all students, regardless of circumstance.

Sickbay Change

Our school is committed to providing a safe working and learning environment for all staff, students, and visitors. We have a duty of care regarding the health of students and to provide first aid and temporary care for students when they become unwell. The sickbay is an important facility in addressing the health issues of students. The sickbay is now located at the other end of the admin block in a sectioned off part of the staffroom.

Procedural change from the beginning of Term 4.

All students will be triaged outside the office /sickbay by one of the Administration staff who will decide the appropriate treatment. The staff member will be wearing appropriate Personal Protection Equipment (PPE). This may include face shield, face mask, apron & gloves.

- Students with grazes, bruises or other injuries will be assessed and if required will enter the sickbay and remain for approx. 15 minutes. Within this time an assessment will be made to contact the parent/ guardian to collect the student or the student return to class.
- Any student that is presented to the sickbay with **COVID-19 symptoms** (coughing, sneezing, sore throat, headache)
 - will remain outside the office, in an isolated appropriate supervised space
 - will be provided with & strongly recommended to wear a mask.
 - parent / guardian is contacted to collect the student as soon as possible

Any student with any COVID-19 symptoms is not able to return to school until they have received a negative test result and are symptom-free in alignment with the NSW Health Guidelines.

Building Progress

Our admin building continues to undergo its transformation as work is scheduled to be ongoing for a few weeks yet. Please note that the main entry is now closed off and access is through the gate closest to the crossing on Sydney Avenue. The office has been temporarily relocated at the end of the admin block. Please call our office at any time on 4341 1630. This is the preferred method of assistance rather than coming onto our school site.

Mask wearing for students

Students in NSW public primary schools are encouraged to wear masks if they so choose. This is not mandatory. Teachers will be more than accommodating for any student who chooses to wear a mask at school, particularly inside the classroom. Whilst teachers are happy to provide encouragement and reminders to students who are wearing masks, teachers will not take on the responsibility of enforcing mask wearing. This responsibility will lie with individual students.

'Be thankful for the struggles you go through. They make you stronger, wiser and humble. Don't let them break you. Let them make you.'

– proverb

Stay safe everyone and let's work toward having a better and brighter Term 4.

Chad Tsakissiris

Relieving Principal

MESSAGE FROM MS LYN DAVIS

To the Umina Beach School Community,

As many of you will know, I accepted a position with the School Leadership Institute based in the Department of Education head office in Parramatta. I commenced working there in February this year however, Covid restrictions meant that I have been working from home most of the time.

As principal of our school I oversaw many changes in partnership with the P&C and School Council. We even changed the name of the school!! Physically, there are two additional buildings on site which I am sure will continue to be put to good use and our hall extension is wonderful. Once the admin refurbishment is completed most of the physical asset work we had planned will be completed. I only regret that it was delayed and not completed while I was there. I will look forward to seeing the finished product. I have

enjoyed being in partnership with many P&C executive who worked hard to support the school in so many ways. They were always there with a smile on their faces asking “can we help”, and help they did!! I want to acknowledge the support the School Council has given me as the school leader over many years. It is a relationship I will always value.

I retained “my right of return” to Umina Beach Public School as I hoped to return to the school in 2022 and end my teaching career there. I have said many times “I want to retire with the children around me”. Regrettably, this will not be the case. Reluctantly, at the end of last term I relinquished my position as principal at this wonderful school. This was a very difficult decision for me and I have some regret that I will end my teaching career away from a school.

I have been working on the FASTstream program where I am involved in the design and implementation of a program to identify and support school leaders of the future. It means my retirement after a career of more than 40 years will not happen with the children around me BUT I have a new and demanding challenge.

It has been an honour to lead Umina Beach Public School as principal for more than 10 years. I thank the Umina Beach community for your commitment to the children and staff of this wonderful school. It has been a pleasure and the highlight my career to be your principal. I will always have very fond memories of you all and I will remain a community member as I will continue to live in Umina Beach.

I look forward to seeing the school continuing to Soar High in the years ahead.

With fond regards
Lyn Davis



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