



Umina Beach Public School Newsletter

Term 1, Week 11, Tuesday 5 April 2022

DIARY DATES

Wed 6 April	P&C Colour Run
Thurs 7 April	Kinder Easter Fun Day (AM) PBL Rewards Day Kinder Easter Hat parade (PM)
Fri 8 April	ANZAC ceremony Cross Country Last day of term 1
Tue 26 April	Staff return to school
Wed 26 April	Students return to school

P&C ASSOCIATION

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

SCHOOL CANTEEN

Lunch orders due in by 9:15am

UNIFORM SHOP

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Message from the Principal...

CHANGES TO SELF-ISOLATION REQUIREMENTS FOR CLOSE AND HOUSEHOLD CONTACTS WHO HAVE RECOVERED FROM COVID-19

Changes to the [Amending Order \(PDF 126KB\)](#) means that if a student or staff member who has recovered from COVID-19 comes into contact with someone with COVID-19 within 12 weeks after they are released, **they will generally not need to self-isolate or get a test.** They can continue to go to school or work unless they have new COVID-19 symptoms.

Reminders re: close or household contacts:

- If a person in your household tests positive to COVID-19, they must self-isolate away from everyone else in the house for 7 days from the date of their positive test. They must follow the advice for [people testing positive to COVID-19](#). Children are unable to safely self-isolate by themselves and require a parent or carer to self-isolate with them.
- The entire household must also self-isolate for 7 days from the date of the positive person's test. They should follow the advice for [people exposed to COVID-19](#) and take a RAT/PCR as soon as possible, have another test on Day 6 and at any time COVID-19 symptoms appear.
- If another person in your home tests positive to COVID-19, that person must restart their 7-day self-isolation period from the date of positive test.
- Other household members who test negative, do not need to re-start their 7-day self-isolation period **unless they test positive.**
- People who test positive to COVID-19 and complete their 7-day self-isolation period **do not have to test or self-isolate** as any type of contact for **12 weeks after their release.**

Self-isolation means staying at home or at your accommodation. **This means you cannot drive your children to school or day care;** you must ask someone else to do this. You must only leave self-isolation to get medical care or in an emergency.

Karen Wardlaw – Principal

FAREWELL FROM MR TSAKISSIRIS

It is a bittersweet moment in writing this farewell to the Umina Beach PS Community. It has been my pleasure and privilege to work at Umina Beach PS for almost 5 years now, and although it is with excitement that I take on my new role as Principal at Dudley PS, there is an air of sadness at saying goodbye to Umina students, staff and families.

I have thoroughly enjoyed my time here at Umina and have grown as a leader, shaping me into the school executive that I am today. I have been very lucky to work with many terrific people throughout my time here and I extend a sincere thankyou to those who have supported my journey and have mentored me throughout the last few years.

The students we have at Umina Beach PS are wonderful. I enjoy greeting many smiling faces at the gate each morning and receiving many 'hello Mr Tsakissiris' calls as I make my way through the playground each day. I enjoy spending time with our students and always have student interest at the centre of my decision making and all that I do as a school leader. I will miss the familiar faces of our students and know that our school will setup each individual child to be successful; and resilient in the life that they choose.

I have been lucky to work alongside and with some amazing teachers and staff members since my arrival in 2017. Leading the school in 2021 was an absolute honour and it showed me the level of expertise and professionalism in our staff, who go above and beyond for the students and community to ensure that every student receives the fullest and well-rounded education possible. Our staff are caring, kind, considerate and passionate about education and students and I will miss working with this amazing team of people.

The executive team are an excellent group of educators who lead the school through challenges and provide guidance and support to all stakeholders in ensuring the school provides high quality service and education to every student and their families. I have made strong working relationships with many members of the exec team over the years and will enjoy extending those friendships beyond my role here as Deputy Principal.

The families of Umina Beach PS are fabulous. They always strive to get the best outcomes for our students and work so wonderfully with the school to support the teaching and learning every day. I have made many connections personally and professionally with the families of our school and will take many lovely memories of community events and experiences as I leave at the end of this week.

So, it is with a full heart that I wish Umina Beach PS a fond farewell as I close this chapter and excitedly begin the next one at Dudley PS. Many thanks for the wonderful words of gratitude and well wishes on the Facebook post two weeks ago. These comments have made me emotional and proud of the impact I have had, not only on the students' lives, but their families as well. I have a strong work ethic and believe that schools are amazing places where dreams happen and my time at Umina Beach Public School has certainly supported this belief.

Many thanks to everyone. Please take care, stay safe and continue to be the amazing shining star on the peninsula – Soar High.

Cheers - *Chad Tsakissiris*



STAGE 3 EXCURSION UPDATE

Organisation is well underway for our planned Year 5 and Year 6 excursions later in the year. We are very hopeful that Year 5 will be able to attend their Aussie Bush Camp excursion on 29 August to 31 August and Year 6 will be able to go to Canberra on Tuesday 6 September to Thursday 8 September.

Expression of interest and deposit notes have gone live on E-news and can be filled out online.

Final cost for each excursion will be known and communicated once we have firm numbers for each excursion. Further information will come next term.

Dave Jackson - Coordinator

BUSWAYS UPDATE

Last week we shared a letter from Busways via school ENews and email, notifying students & parents of changes affecting our school bus services. Please see a copy below. For further information, please contact Busways Customer Service on 1300 69 2929 or visit their website at www.busways.com.au

INFORMATION FOR PARENTS AND FAMILIES RE: ROUTE 57 – AM SERVICE

Due to roadworks on Carpenter Street between Veron Road & Ryans Road, Umina Beach from Monday 4 April to Friday 29 April 2022 there will be a change for Route 57 departing Woy Woy Station at 8:27am.

Route 57 will operate the current route from Woy Woy Station to Veron Road & Carpenter Street then operate via Veron Road, right Connex Road, right Ryans Roads, left Carpenter Street then continue to the current path to school. In lieu of the bus stops being missed on Carpenter Street, there will be temporary bus stops located on Connex Road near Veron Road and Ryans Road near Connex Road. (See map for further details).

Please note that dates are subject to change without notice.

For further information please contact Busways Customer



Service on 1300 69 2929 or visit www.busways.com.au

SCHOOL DROP OFF AND PICK UP ZONES

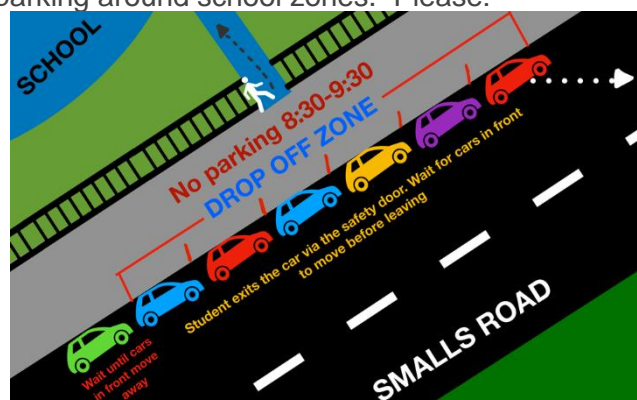
This is a safety reminder for all parents using our Kiss and Ride Zones, which are designed for quick parent entry and exit at school drop off-or pick up. These zones are in place to minimise congestion and increase student safety, when used properly by all parents and carers. If you use the Kiss and Ride zone, please remember that you may stop to drop off or pick up children **for a maximum of 2 minutes. You're required to remain in, or within 3 metres of, your vehicle.** Children should exit the car by the passenger side door, closest to the footpath.

Parents are not to park in Kiss and Ride zones: please use close-by areas such as the Surf Club car park, if you need to enter the school grounds.



Parents are reminded to take extra care when driving and parking around school zones. Please:

- **Observe No Stopping signs:** Do not stop for any reason. The first 10m from an intersection is a No Stopping zone. Yellow kerb lines are also no stopping zones. **Pedestrian Crossings:** In a queue of traffic, no part of your vehicle can stop on a pedestrian crossing. It is unsafe to let your child out of a vehicle at a pedestrian crossing as this is a No Stopping zone.
- **Observe No Parking Signs:** You have 2 minutes to drop-off or pick up. You must stay within 3 metres of your vehicle.
- **Observe Kiss and Ride Zone Signs:** You have 2 minutes to drop-off or pick up. You must stay within 3 metres of your vehicle.



UMINA BEACH PUBLIC SCHOOL BAND



CENTRAL COAST CONSERVATORIUM
SCHOOL BAND PROGRAM

Come and be part of a fun and engaging learning environment while experiencing the educational benefits of learning an instrument.

The Conservatorium school band program offers:

- Small group lessons at school with specialist instrumental teachers
- Whole band rehearsals by experienced Conservatorium Conductors
- Performance opportunities at school and external events.

CENTRAL COAST CONSERVATORIUM
OF MUSIC
TRAINING AND EDUCATION

FOR MORE INFORMATION
www.centralcoastconservatorium.com.au/schools_program
Call 02 4324 7477 or speak with your school band coordinator

Band is still recruiting for 2022! We will be commencing classes in Term 2! So don't miss out! We have a variety of different instruments e.g. flutes, clarinet, saxophone, trumpet, trombone and Euphonium. This is a great opportunity to learn an instrument and play in the school band. If required, Instruments can also be hired from the Conservatorium or www.instrumentrental.com.au

All students wishing to join please use this link.

<https://centralcoastconservatorium.com.au/schools-program/school-program-enrolment-form/>

The costs of running this program consists of retaining the services of Central Coast Conservatorium of Music to employ the tutors and conductors. Fees are set by the Conservatorium and are paid directly to the Central Coast Conservatorium online each term. Fees of approximately \$206 must be paid for the entire term regardless of attendance.

Instrument Hire: The school collects a fee of \$45.00 for instrument hire (\$10.00 for drums) for on-going maintenance, service and repair of instruments, the purchase of music, new instruments and other musical equipment. These hire fees are due each term and can be paid via the school website.

For more information, please send a message via the school office to Brooke Martin - Band Coordinator

ANZAC DAY MARCH 2022

All UBPS students are invited to participate in this year's ANZAC Day march at Woy Woy. The march will be held on Monday 25 April, commencing at 10:00am at the Deepwater Plaza car park and concluding at the Woy Woy War Memorial for the ANZAC service to start at approximately 10:30am. Students involved are required to wear full school uniform, including hat and to march in the parade. Students should meet with Miss Harrison at the Deepwater Plaza Car Park at 9:45am. Students should wait with Miss Harrison until a parent collects them at the completion of the ceremony at the Woy Woy War Memorial.



UBPS ATTENDANCE GOALS

We're striving to increase the number of students attending school 90% of the time. We're so grateful to our families who are supporting us in this goal. Good attendance is vitally important for student engagement and learning. The higher a child's attendance, the greater the opportunity to engage in learning experiences and minimise possible gaps in learning. This supports our students to experience more success and increase their ongoing motivation in learning.

We completely understand that illness has been particularly impactful on student attendance this term. Recognising this, it is even more important to reduce absences for other unjustified reasons, such as celebrating a birthday, leaving early for a weekend away, or being tired after a social or sporting event.

Teachers may contact you to discuss how they can help support your child's attendance at school, particularly if your child has five or more whole day absences in a semester. Parents are encouraged to read more about why **Every Day Counts** at this [link](#).

APPROXIMATE RACE TIMES

Approx Time	Race	Distance
10:30 (STAGE 3)	12/13 Girls	3km (3 laps)
10:40 (STAGE 3)	12/13 Boys	3km (3 laps)
10:50 (STAGE 3)	11 Girls	3km (3 laps)
11:00 (STAGE 3)	11 Boys	3km (3 laps)
11:15	Eating time/lunch Students return to class with teachers, Year 5 teachers stay until race is complete.	
12:30 (STAGE 2)	10 Girls	2km (2 laps)
11:40 (STAGE 2)	10 Boys	2km (2 laps)
12:50 (STAGE 2)	8/9 girls + competitive Year 2 girls	2km (2 laps)
1:00 (STAGE 2)	8/9 boys + competitive Year 2 boys	2km (2 laps)
1: 20 (STAGE 1)	Year 2/1 girls	1km (1 lap)
1:30 (STAGE 1)	Year 2/1 boys	1km (1 lap)
1: 45 (KINDY)	Kindergarten (selected Year 6 students to help)	Half lap Cones to be moved to shorten course.

CROSS COUNTRY

We are hoping the weather will be kind and we can hold our annual Cross Country Carnival **this Friday 8 April**.

The first race will start at approximately 10:30am. Students will come to school wearing their sport uniform, including house colour t-shirts, joggers and a hat. It is important that students bring plenty of water (2 x bottles), recess, lunch, sunscreen and a towel to sit on if they wish.

Students requiring asthma medication are asked to carry their puffer during the race. This year the course will include Umina Oval and school grounds.

Parents and carers are welcome to attend our Cross Country Carnival. Parent viewing area will be located on the raised hill at the side of Umina Oval. We remind everyone to ensure they are social distancing and being COVID safe by encouraging and supporting their children from afar this year as we continue to keep everyone safe by minimising interaction between students and parents.

Jacob Butler - Coordinator

NAPLAN - Years 3 & 5

The National Assessment Program – Literacy and Numeracy (NAPLAN) assesses literacy and numeracy skills that are essential for every child to progress through school and life. Students in Years 3, 5, 7 and 9 participate in the annual NAPLAN tests in reading, writing, conventions of language (spelling, grammar and punctuation) and numeracy. The assessment provides parents and schools with an understanding of how individual students are performing at the time of the tests. NAPLAN is just one aspect of a school's assessment and reporting process – it does not replace ongoing assessments made by teachers about student performance. NAPLAN also provides schools, education authorities and governments with information about how education programs are working and whether young Australians are achieving important educational outcomes in literacy and numeracy.

Our Year 3 & 5 students participated in the NAPLAN Online Preparation tests last week at school. This actual testing period is in Weeks 3 and 4 next term. Information was sent home regarding adjustments for students to be successful when sitting the tests. These forms need to be returned to school as soon as possible.

For more information click on the link below:

<https://nap.edu.au/docs/default-source/resources/naplan-online-information-brochure-for-parents-and-carers.pdf>

PARENT TEACHER INTERVIEWS

Many thanks to the parents who made the time to meet with their child's teacher to discuss their learning and social goals for 2022 over the last three weeks. Home/school partnerships are critical in ensuring success at school for all students and these interviews contribute to this.

We had a total of 487 interviews booked with teachers. Thanks for supporting this initiative.

YEAR 5 SCIENCE PROJECT



Year 5 have been learning about Desert Survivors. We had to create a 3D animal in a biome. As an explorer we had to discover a new species of animal. It had to live in a real biome such as Ocean, Rainforest, Desert, Artic, Underground etc. This also had to include a fact sheet which we had to speak about. The projects were fantastic with lots of effort put into them.

Year 5 students

It's so nice to see the sunshine! Look at our flourishing wildlife visiting our office today!



SENIOR SOFTBALL

We had an exciting game of mixed softball today against Woy Woy PS. UBPS had a narrow win 11-10 in a nail-biting finish. Thank you to Woy Woy PS students and the teachers who made this happen. It was fun!

UBPS softball team





EASTER FUNDRAISER 2022

UBPS Thank you so much for supporting our first fundraiser of 2022, the Easter Raffle. Our community must be craving chocolate as we have been inundated with ticket sales, with total ticket sales reaching \$5,145.00. Well done UBPS and congratulations to the winners below.

WE'RE NOT EVEN JOKING
OVER \$5000
in ticket sales
OUR MOST SUCCESSFUL
Easter Raffle yet!



PRIZE WINNERS 2022

1 st Prize: \$150 value	Monty L – 1F
2 nd Prize: \$100 value	Mira & Sabine – 3C
3 rd Prize: \$80 value	Evangaline K – 1P
4 th Prize: \$50 value	Natalina G – 5C
5 th Prize: \$40 value	Aleira W – 1S
6 th Prize: \$20 value	Sally C – KC
7 th Prize: \$20 value	Tahlie S – 1S
8 th Prize: \$20 value	Ruby M – 1S
9 th Prize: \$20 value	Lexie M – 3/4A
10 th Prize: \$20 value	Kyle E – 2B
11 th Prize: \$20 value	Ivy B – 5/6L
12 th Prize: \$20 value	Willow W – 5E
13 th Prize: \$20 value	Evie T – 1G
14 th Prize: \$20 value	Jackson C – 1G
15 th Prize: \$20 value	Henry S – KC
16 th Prize: \$20 value	Lilly C – 5E
17 th Prize: \$20 value	Hugo L – 2P
18 th Prize: \$20 value	Rosie D – 2B
19 th Prize: \$20 value	Ruby R – 6J
20 th Prize: \$20 value	Alyssa S – 5C

Class prize \$35 value The class who sold the most tickets have won a shared prize!

The winner is: 1P

Most ticket sales
prize:

The student who collected the most ticket sales has won a prize!

This student is: Kaia W 1G



A safe and friendly community for children with a disability

Rainbow Club welcomes children with a disability for individualised swimming lessons to learn to swim, be safe in the water, interact, feel included, play and have fun.

COMING
SOON
To a pool
near you!



Swim the Rainbow

- Our unique Swim the Rainbow program has been specially designed to teach children with a disability
- The swimming goals are aligned to the seven colours of the Rainbow to help build confidence
- Individualised swim lessons are delivered by qualified and dedicated swim teachers

Register your interest

- Vacancies arise at short notice, so we recommend you register and be ready to start swimming with a Club that understands and supports children with a disability (regardless of the type of disability)
- There is an expectation that a parent or guardian will remain close by during lessons to assist if required

About Rainbow Club

- We provide a membership for the duration of a school term (9 weekly half hour lessons)
- Our social calendar has something for everyone
- Club Committees are run by volunteers

We can't wait to see you at Rainbow Club soon!

Rainbow Club is a network of social swimming clubs for children with a disability

Join us! Sign-up online at myrainbowclub.org.au/register/

myrainbowclub.org.au

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- [Rainbow Club Australia](mailto:Rainbow.Club.Australia@gmail.com)



60 MINUTE DINOSAUR SHOW SPECTACULAR

THE DINOMANIACS is a highly interactive energetic DINOSAUR adventure which is suitable for the whole family! At this 'family show spectacular' we take the audience back in time with Toby the T-Rex, Trixi Triceratops, Ozzi & Oli our aussie dinosaurs, Tara (The Dino Queen), Shaun (The Dino Doctor), PLUS many more prehistoric special guests! Incorporating The Dinomaniacs original songs like 'Rock & Roar', 'The Dino Dr' and 'Dance with the Dinosaurs' together with some all time classic toe tapping tunes that are sure to have everyone up dancing and singing along. There are plenty of surprises, songs, jokes and dancing, as well as exciting opportunities for the audience to get up close and personal with the dinosaurs.

Come dressed up as your favourite dinosaur. Suitable for ALL ages – even the adults love it.

WHEN

THURSDAY
14TH APRIL

TICKETS

\$15 MEMBERS | \$17 NON-MEMBERS
(ADULTS AND CHILDREN MUST HOLD A TICKET)
CHILDREN 12 MONTHS AND UNDER FREE

TIME

DOORS OPEN 10AM
SHOW STARTS 10.30AM

No reserved seating. Floor seating event with limited seating at the back.



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