Term 3, Tuesday 20 September 2022

DIARY DATES - TERM 3

Wed 21 Sep	CC Public Speaking Comp Rd 1 – Wyoming
	PS
	Whole school Rewards Day
Thur 22 Sep	PUBLIC HOLIDAY
Fri 23 Sep	Last day of Term 3
	TERM 4
Mon 10 Oct	Students and staff return to school
Tue 11 & 12	Year 1 Rumbalara excursion

P&C ASSOCIATION

Meet every 2nd Wednesday of the month.

All parents welcome.

SCHOOL CANTEEN

Lunch orders due in by 9:15am

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Message from the principal!

As we head towards the term break, I once again reflect on the wonderful range of learning opportunities, points of connection and support that are provided for our students each and every day at our school. One of my favourite things this week was the fun activities offered yesterday as part of "Talk Like a Pirate Day!" Students participated in a treasure hunt around the school and enjoyed eating their treasure (an ice block!) with friends. This fun celebration provided an opportunity for teachers and students to connect in a fun and positive way! Some of our classes enjoyed participating in these fun activities with their buddy class, further promoting student points of connection and fostering positive peer relationships across the



school. The topic of pirate adventures was a great stimulus for writing across classrooms, with students creating some wonderful, imaginative texts!



We know that building a sense of belonging makes a significant difference to students and helps build their sense of engagement with schooling, supporting commitment to learning and we will continue to ensure student wellbeing remains an ongoing focus for us at Umina Beach. Our PBL rewards day is on tomorrow and this provides another great opportunity for teachers and students to strengthen positive relationships and

for students to enjoy some simple activities to celebrate the high level of positive student behaviour across classrooms this term.

This week also sees our teachers offer a full week of stimulating and engaging learning opportunities, including our Year 3 and 4 students engaging in "World of Maths" today at school. This fun incursion offers a fantastic opportunity for students to see how maths is applied to everyday life situations and explore maths in a hands-on environment. Students will gain insight into problem solving, working in teams, and explore various mathematic strains which are part of their curriculum this term.

Don't forget that this Thursday is a public holiday, but we're all looking forward to seeing our students at school again on Friday for a fun last day of term on September 23. Every day, attendance matters. Thanks for helping establish strong learning engagement habits in your family as you support your children by being at school every day, on time, when they are well and able to attend.

Have a great week and enjoy a restful term break. I hope you get to enjoy the beautiful spring weather and relish the time with your children before we re-group for another exciting term starting on Monday 10 October.

Congratulations to our Ten Pin Bowlers!

Last week, we were so excited to see Leo. Cooper, Ben and Noah compete in the Sydney North ten pin bowling competition. They put in a fantastic effort and had an amazing time, achieving an absolutely astounding total team score of 774! Miss Harrison and Mrs Cash were so excited to attend and so proud of our students on the day. We're thrilled to announce that our Umina Beach Public School team played so well that they placed



first in the Sydney North Competition and now will be heading to Rooty Hill next term to compete at the NSW State Titles! We can't wait to cheer them on and celebrate their success with them on November 3.

Tell them from me – student survey!

Next term, our students from Years 4-6 will be participating in their second "Tell Them From Me" student survey for the year. Data gathered from this important, entirely anonymous survey will help our school to better understand how we can improve student wellbeing and engagement at UBPS. Whilst we are optimistic that all students will complete the survey, participation is voluntary. For more information on TTFM, please check School E-news for our information note, or visit education.nsw.gov.au/ttfm. If you do not wish your child to participate, please use the link to opt-out https://enews-app.com/.../844a83cfff2e41f096febf4c29cad27f.



BAND NEWS





On Tuesday 13 September, our school bands played with Year 2 and family members as their audience. Concert Band was led by conductor, Kevin Smith, and played 4 upbeat songs.

Training Band, was led by conductor, David Markham, and had their first ever performance! Both bands did an amazing job and it was great to see how much they have learnt!

Well done Emma, David, Madeleine, Max, Maddison, Kim, Danielle, Ella, Max, Ben, Banabi, Aimee and Dracen.

KINDERGARTEN NEWS

Students in Kindergarten have been learning about living things in Science this term. They were excited to learn about some of the plants that have been used traditionally, and in modern times, by Aboriginal people for food, tools and medicine. Our Kindergarten students thought it was interesing that one plant can be used for so many different things.

Black sheoak

Diverse groups of Aboriginal peoples use sheoaks for various purposes. The shoots and cones can be eaten, and sheoak wood can be used to fashion boomerangs, shields, clubs and other cultural implements because the wood is both strong and resists splitting and chipping.



Bulbine lily

It's considered the sweetest tasting of all edible root plants and is available year-round. You can find a plump, round, cream-coloured storage organ (a type of underground stem) under its stalk, which can be eaten after being roasted. Bulbine lily isalso nutritious, a good source of calcium and iron.

SPELLING BEE FINAL

On Friday 16 September, we held our Spelling Bee Final. Stage 2 competitors were Teddy P, Flynn B, Albert VN, Harry Q, Kaia R, Lara B, Hendrix H, Coralie A and Sullivan D. The winner was Coralie A with the word 'spherical'. Second place was Harry Q.

Stage 3 competitors were Blade B, Edie B, Cooper C, Harry S, Ethan C, Bonnie R, Lachlan K and Chloe H (Alyssa S absent)

The champion was Ethan C with the word 'exaggerate'. The runners up were Cooper C and Bonnie R. Special thanks to helpers Annabel, Chloe, Turner, Jasmine and Maggie. Congratulations spellers!





BOYS BASKETBALL



On Friday 16 September, the boys basketball team went to Niagara Park Sports Stadium to play in 2 rounds of the PSSA Basketball competition. The boys played with great sportsmanship and teamwork against 2 of the best teams in the league however, they were unsuccessful in moving on to the next round. Thank you to all the parents who helped drive the team and stayed on the day to watch and help run shot clock.

CENTRAL COAST DANCE FESTIVAL - STAGE 3 DANCE GROUP







On Tuesday 13 September, our Stage 3 Dance group students graced the stage with their 2022 dance routine 'I'll Stand by You'. The girls did a wonderful job during both shows and had a really fun night together. Miss Ainsworth and Mrs Young were very proud of them. Some parents even reported that the dance brought a tear to their eye! We look forward to having our dance groups perform at school in the near future.

YEAR 6 CANBERRA

Students had to get into the hall by 5:30am on Tuesday to depart by 6:00am, Year 6 were partly tired but very excited to finally head into Canberra.

Once we had arrived in the ACT (Australian Capital Territory) we headed straight to Mt Ainslie Lookout to have a view of the magnificent city. Right away we headed to Parliament House. At Parliament House we met our representative, Dr Gordon Reid who is an ex UBPS student! We also got to sit in on the House of Representatives and the Senate while they were in session.

Bus 1 and bus 2 then split up, bus 1 headed off to the Museum of Australia Democracy. There we learnt about the old parliament house and how they used to do things compared to now.

Bus 2 drove to the electoral education centre where we learnt how to vote, count votes and how you are eligible to vote. We also did a roleplay of the voting system.

After a long day we headed to our accommodation and shortly after went to dinner. After dinner we headed straight to the National Dinosaur Museum where we learnt about the different time periods and how they evolved.

On the second day we headed out for breakfast and then split up again Bus 1 went to the Australian Institute of Sport. It was a fun learning experience where we got to see where the athletes train and sleep. We also had a go at some of the fun, virtual games. Bus 2 then went to the Museum of Australian Democracy.

After we had finished our other activities we met up and went to Regatta Point together, where we saw how Canberra was created and founded.

Shortly after lunch we went to the Australian War Memorial where we split into small groups and went with guides around the museum and the memorial walls.

On the bus we were taken on an embassy tour, with our amazing bus drivers talking us through it. Shortly after we headed to the Australian Mint where we learnt the history of the Australian coins, some of Year 6 bought a souvenir coin stamped just for them and then headed straight to Questacon.

Questacon was a wonderful place where both buses ate dinner and enjoyed the great meals. As we finished the food all of us went to the gift shop and bought some cool and eye-catching souvenirs. We all then left to the different rooms all over the building like science, space, earth and excitement. The slide in the excitement room was unfortunately closed but we all still had a great time. After thanking the staff everyone headed back to the accommodation.

We had breakfast the next day and checked out at 6:45am and visited one more venue each and then left Canberra for home. We watched some fun movies, sang great songs and thanked the bus drivers and teachers for one of the most fun-filled exciting trip of our lives.

Annabel and Kali

Students from our school have recently undertaken an education tour of the national capital. Students were given the opportunity to participate in a variety of educational programs with a focus on Australia's history, culture, heritage and democracy. The Australian Government recognises the importance of all young Australians being able to visit the national capital as part of their Civics and Citizenship education.

To assist families in meeting the cost of the excursion the Australian Government contributed funding of \$30.00 per student under the Parliament and Civics Education Rebate program towards those costs. The rebate is paid directly to the school upon completion of the excursion.

HOLIDAY IDEAS

Next term, our students will be supported to extend their computer and typing skills as part RFF. However, parents may wish to support skill development at home.

If you are looking for something educational for your child to do on a rainy day during the holidays, students can access their school computer class Google Classroom. For years K – 2 you will find access to typing.com where students can practice their typing skills. Given that in next year's NAPLAN, Year 3 students will be asked to type their writing so now could be a great time to get some practice. Typing.com is a great learning tool as it shows students how to type with the correct finger positions and familiarises them with the keyboard so that they gain more confidence when typing.

To sign in they simply go to their Google classroom through the NSW DOE student portal, click Google Classroom, click on **typing.com** and sign in with their @education accounts. The lessons are fun and help students gain confidence in their typing skills.

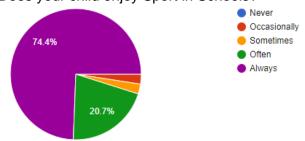
SISA PARENT SURVEY



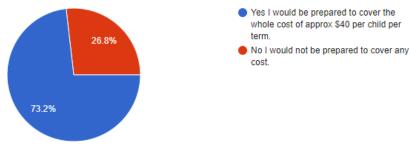
A huge thank you to everyone in our community who completed the SISA survey last week. We received a great response and an overwhelming positivity for Sport in Schools from our parents. Our winner of the free lunch order was Kristy Lowe. Lillee, Lukas and Lucy are the lucky recipients and will receive their chosen lunches this week. More information will come out next term regarding SISA in 2023.

Parent results

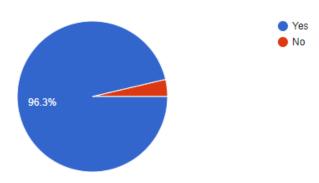
Does your child enjoy Sport in Schools?



Would you be prepared to fund the cost of Sport in Schools for your child / children?



Would you like Sport in Schools to continue at Umina Beach PS in 2023?



Art Classes - Expression of Interest



Where: Umina Beach Public School- Beachside Centre

When: Monday, Tuesday or Thursday afternoons (beginning Week 1 Term 4)

Time: 4:00 – 5:30 pm

Cost: \$45.00 a week. *6 week courses available. Cost includes all materials.

*Free Art pack if you complete a six week course.

Ages: Years K-2 and Years 3-6

Day will depend on interest shown in each year group.

High school students welcome to attend.

Dave Charles painted the 3 murals around the school and is a teacher. Please scan the QR code to register interest in classes or contact Dave on

0478671670 for more information.







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SCHOOL READINESS

WORKSHOP & CLASSES

Registration open for ages 3-6 Limited spaces available.

SCHOOL HOLIDAYS

ABOUT US

WORKSHOP & CLASSES INCLUDE:

SCHOOL PREP WORKSHOP Monday 26th September & Tuesday 27th September

Umina Beach Public School 8 - 10am Tuggerah Public School 2 - 4pm

Our 2 hr School Prep Workshops run over two consecutive days during the Easter, Winter and October school holidays (4 hours).

*free school readiness assessment included when attending both workshops

Our 4 hr School Readiness Classes run over three consecutive days in January (12 hours).

- Social Skills Communicating with teachers & peers, expressing needs & feelings, taking turns & sharing, conflict resolution, problem solving & troubleshooting.
- Emotional Skills Self regulation, resilience, empathy, self esteem & confidence.
- Language Skills Asking questions, developing expressive language, improving topic based language, following rules.
- Fine motor skills Strengthening hand, wrist and finger muscles, pencil δ scissor grip.

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