



Umina Beach Public School Newsletter

Term 3, Week 4, 2023

DIARY DATES – TERM 3

Wed 9 Aug	BWSC visiting show Boys and girls softball Vs Ettalong PS
Thu 10 Aug	Debate Vs Woy Woy PS at UBPS Stage 2 Public Speaking Finals ICAS - Writing
Fri 11 Aug	Cake stall 11:15 – 12:00 donations from K-2 students please ICAS – Digital technology
Tue 15 – Thu 17 Aug	CREATE-ACTIVATE-ADVANCE auditions and interviews BWSC at Umina Campus
Thu 17 Aug	Kindy 2024 School Tour ICAS - English
Fri 18 Aug	Anti-bullying day
Mon 21 Aug	Book Parade 9:30am – parents welcome
Tue 23 Aug	ICAS – Science Reptile Park excursion

From the Principal

Last week we celebrated Education Week, recognising 175 years of public education across NSW. In some schools, Edweek is 'business as usual' and we can understand this view, knowing that our wonderful staff at UBPS always hold high expectations and a sustained focus on improving student development and progress and, as a result, we celebrate the educational successes and progress of our students every day. However, Education Week is also a great opportunity to invite parents and families to join in with some of our experiences and share in some of our successes. Last week, I absolutely loved seeing our families join us in classrooms, in the library, in the playground and, especially, at our special assembly, showcasing the skills and talents of many of our students in the creative and performing areas of music, drama, song and dance. Not only was there such a wonderful range of skills and talents on display, but we recognised the confidence, courage, resilience and persistence that contributed to every successful performance. At UBPS we highly value the ability to create, imagine, interpret and communicate through the performing arts and are so grateful for our teachers who provide meaningful, creative learning opportunities across our classrooms.

We also had the opportunity to see some of our talented students on stage at BWSC Woy Woy campus, as part of Edweek celebrations. Our Stage 3 dance group and 3-6 choir successfully performed at the Brisbane Water Secondary College Variety Night on Wednesday evening. It was an enjoyable, entertaining evening and our school representatives absolutely shone on stage! We are so proud of our students and the skills they are developing and extending at our school.





Education Week is also a great opportunity to say how proud we are of our teachers, and, at UBPS, we have an exceptionally dedicated, skilled, caring and passionate team of teachers and support staff. They are generous with their energy, skill and time and are willing to often go beyond their formal role to support our students and our school. I'm so grateful to work alongside such a wonderful team who make a difference every day for our students. As part of regional Education Week celebrations, it was my absolute pleasure to present Mrs Cash and Ms Ainsworth with a very special Public Education Award of Appreciation at a special ceremony last week, recognising their wonderful contribution to our school.



Ms Ainsworth was acknowledged for being a passionate teacher, dedicated to creating an outstanding range of performing arts opportunities, allowing all students to shine. Mrs Cash was acknowledged for being a dedicated, caring SLSSO who tirelessly works to consistently support, respect and value the students in her care. In thinking about Mrs Cash and Ms Ainsworth, I'm reminded of a quote by Dr Jane Goodall: *"You cannot get through a single day without having an impact on the world around you. What you do makes a difference, and you have to decide what difference you want to make"*. Both Mrs Cash and Ms Ainsworth are definitely making a positive difference for our students, staff and school community. We are so lucky to have them as part of our team!

On the last day of Education week, we celebrated National Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Children's Day at Rogers Park, Woy Woy. Our Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander students and families enjoyed the first ever Koorana Cup, establishing what will be an annual day of friendly games, connection and celebration across our local schools in the peninsula community. Inspired by student suggestion and brought to life by the Koorana AECG, with the strong leadership of Ms Morgan, yesterday was a fabulous day and I can't wait to see this event grow from strength to strength in the years to come! Well done to all our students who participated, the teachers who helped make the day a success and the families who joined us on the day!



This week I will be spending some time away from school, contributing to supporting and developing our NSW education system as a Principal Facilitator with the School Leadership Institute. In this role I have the great privilege of supporting a team of recently appointed principals from across the state as they commence their leadership journey in NSW public schools.

This conference comes at a time where I have just recently reflected on the special and complex role of "principal", having enjoyed Principal Appreciation Day last Friday. Such a day was an important reminder for me to personally and publicly acknowledge what a privilege it is, in my current role, to serve, equip, lead and support my staff to care for and meet the needs of our students, with an unwavering focus on excellence and equity. I consider it to be the best job in the world and I'm grateful to work in such a wonderful school alongside such amazing fellow educators who made me feel very appreciated on Friday.

I'm very lucky at UBPS to be supported by a very professional and skilled leadership team and, whilst I'm away this week, Ms Harrison is capably leading the team back at school in my absence. In addition, whilst Mrs Nott has been required to take some urgent and essential leave, it's been wonderful to see our leaders and teachers step up and take on some additional leadership responsibilities to ensure our school keeps operating with the high success and cohesion that we strive for every day. We look forward to seeing Mrs Nott join us again at school for a few days a week, when able to do so.

In further staffing updates, Mrs Estens continues to remain on leave this term and continues to be replaced by Mrs Martin and Mrs Ragen. Both teachers are excited to be able to continue supporting 4E in their collaborative partnership and are very willing to meet with parents this term to discuss the wonderful continuity of learning that is being provided in the classroom for our 4E students. We invite all parents, across all classes, to contact your child's class teacher if you would like to organise a meeting to discuss your child's learning progress.

As Education Week concluded last Friday, I was reminded of the adage that it “takes a village to raise a child”. Thank you to our parents, carers and families for letting our teachers, staff and school be an active and important part of your ‘village’. Thank you for working in partnership with us as we strive to see every child at our school grow, succeed and thrive in their individual learning journey. Your ongoing support truly does make events like Education Week an ‘every week’ event.

Have a great week at our school!

X Mrs W

ICAS COMPETITION

The ICAS Competition registration window has now closed. If you have already registered your child, please see below for details:

Thursday 10 August - Writing
Friday 11 August - Digital Technologies
Thursday 17 August - English
Tuesday 22 August - Spelling Bee
Wednesday 23 August - Science
Thursday 31 August - Mathematics

In order to avoid disruption to your child's learning, this year the assessments will be held in the morning before school at 8:30am. Please bring your child to the front office at 8:15am on the day of their assessment.



We are holding a cake stall this Friday, Week 4 to raise funds for a food pantry at school to support families and children in our school community.

We are asking families from K, 1 and 2 to send in cakes, slices, biscuits or muffins to be sold at the stall.

Please include an ingredients list for anything homemade for allergies and intolerances. Donations can be dropped off under the Primary COLA in the morning.

All children will have the opportunity to buy something from the stall. Prices are 50c, \$1.00 or \$2.00.

Social Projects is our High Potential Gifted Education group for students who are keen to further their social and emotional skills. They are very excited to organise this event!

Ms McLean - HPGE Teacher



Written by Jeff Bonnor
Music by Pat Farrell

It's been a big couple of weeks for Musical preparation with plenty of performances...

- Taia and Elara took over an assembly!
- 4B performed in the Open Day assembly with their song 'Substitutes' and...
 Eli, Audrey, Elva, Sadie and Billie rocked out at the Aussie of the Month assembly performing 'We Don't Need No Education'.

Actors and classes are working so hard to get their parts ready for Global Worming!

The dates for the performance of 'Global Worming' are:

CAST A – Monday 13 November

CAST B – Tuesday 14 November

If your children would like to listen to the songs or practice the dance whenever they get a moment, my weebly address is:

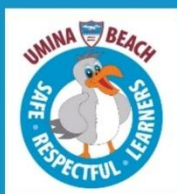
<https://integratemusicals.weebly.com/gw---entry.html>

Password is: Bronte

Don't forget to make sure there is no space at the start of the password.

Please note- parents of students in 5V and 5K performances have been swapped.

Cast A Monday 13 November	Cast B Tuesday 14 November	Song
5V	5K	We Don't need no Education
3/4C	4J	Boot Camp
4E	4B	Substitutes
6W	6J	No More Teachers
6B	5C	The Worm is Turning
3A + 3T	3B + 3T	Procrastination



BE SAFE

**WEEK 3
PBL
FOCUS**

**RIGHT PLACE,
RIGHT TIME**

At UBPS we ...

Understand that being in the right place at the right time is important because it keeps us safe



Make responsible choices and behave appropriately within the school boundaries

Don't play in out of bounds areas

OUT OF BOUNDS



BE SAFE

**WEEK 4
PBL
FOCUS**

**MOVE
SENSIBLY
AND SAFELY**

At UBPS we ...

Understand how to move sensibly and safely around our school.



Can identify potential hazards in our school environment and know how to move safely around them.

Understand why it is important to move sensibly and safely.



PBL UPDATE

For the first four weeks of this term, students will be learning about our 'Be Safe' expectation. Please refer to the infographics above to learn about our Week 3 Lesson - Right Place, Right Time and our Week 4 Lesson - Move Sensibly and Safely.



CANTEEN NEWS

Are you able to volunteer for 3 hours on a Tuesday, Thursday or Friday from 9:00am – 12:00pm in our canteen. We would really appreciate it. No experience needed. Please see Deb in the canteen or our office staff.

LIBRARY NEWS

Premier's Reading challenge reminder

The 2023 Premier's reading challenge needs to be completed by next Friday the 18 August. Cards can be given to me in the library on or before the date. If you are completing your own records online, it must be finished by the above date. Certificates are issued at the end of the year for successful completion of the challenge.

Thank You - Mrs Deas
(Teacher Librarian)

REBEL READERS - TERM 3 WEEK 4

Kindy	Stage 1	Stage 2	Stage 3
KS Felix Jackson Finn Zahra Alyssa Darby Lachlan K/1H Milo Oscar Lucy Sally Arlo Milo KA Agathi Adriel Declan Shane KM Elsie Mackenzie Thomas Dylan Esther Rocco Hazel Jasper Loretta Elliot Xavier Trixie KC Lucy Dominic Oliver Parker London Archer Robbie Gisele Coen Charlise Capree	1/2P Vallee Flynn W Mayumi Nisa Teddy Cavarlia Landon Zeke Daniel 2S Tahlie Sebastian Aleira Luka Charlotte 2T Ella O Lulu G Matthew B Ben M 2S Avery Aubrey Blu 2A River Meadow Millie Ollie T Alex Xavier Quinn Lewis Hugh Leon Charlize Sandino Shae	3T Nate M Lucy S Jazzy I	5C Isaac Emma Perzy Jaya Isaac Geordie Luis Emika Minty 5K Sam Kiara Harper 5V Jaidee Lexie Nylah Owen Amelia Eve Isla Isabelle Evie Mila 6B Pippi Kian Josie 6J Mahlie Ivy Max Kanishk Sophia 6W Sadie Jack Bille Ruby



DO YOU LOVE SINGING? 'HEART AND SOUL VOICES' (on Facebook) IS WELCOMING NEW MEMBERS. NO REHEARSALS, NO JUDGEMENT, JUST A LOVE OF SINGING.

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ON BLACKWALL ROAD, WOY WOY 7:30pm - 9:00pm Wednesdays

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Cost: \$20 per weekly 30 min lesson (Drums \$22)

*Lessons paid by the term on commencement



**Did you know...?
You can Apply to Receive \$100**

MUSIC BUS LESSONS AT UMINA BEACH PUBLIC SCHOOL

The Music Bus has opened their term 3 enrolments and are inviting new students to apply.

Classes offered are: · Keyboard (K-Y6) · Ukulele (K -Y6) · Drums (Y1-Y6) · Guitar (Y2-Y6)

Lessons are: 30 minute duration - once per week held in the hi tech music classroom on wheels on the school site. Cost \$20:00 per week (\$22:00 drums) payable by the term on commencement If you wish to take part please complete this expression of interest form.
<https://app.smartsheet.com/b/form/ee4627a5204c46158e1ab17e7c8069c6> Many thanks for your continued support.

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