## Term 3, Week 8, 2023

#### **DIARY DATES - TERM 3**

Thu Sep 7	Whole school public speaking showcase
Tue Sep 12-14	Year 6 Canberra excursion
Mon Sep 18	Year 1 science excursion to Kincumber Mountain – 1H, 1P & 1C
Wed Sep 20	Year 1 science excursion to Kincumber Mountain – 1G & 1F
Thu Sep 21	Wellbeing Day
Fri Sep 22	PBL Rewards day
	Last day of Term 3
Mon Oct 9	Student and staff return for Term 4

## From the Principal

It was great to see so many of our dads, and those taking on the role of dad, joining us for our special breaky and play last Friday. We had a great turn out and enjoyed seeing dads kicking balls on the oval, shooting hoops and playing on the fixed equipment, yet still being able to head off to work at a reasonable time. We love the opportunity to welcome our community in to school and share in our school experiences. We also recognise that there are those in our school community who may have found Father's Day to be a difficult experience and we are actively working to ensure care and support is in place for those students and families. We see our school as the heart of our community and we encourage families who may be experiencing difficulties of any kind to get in touch with us: we can offer a listening ear, keep an extra close eye on your children, provide additional support or arrange assistance.



One way that we are working on supporting our students is ensuring that school is a safe, happy place where expectations are clear, and supports are in place to help students succeed in their learning and in making safe, respectful behaviour choices. We love our Monday Morning Muster, starting the week right by talking about our shared expectations for students for the week and celebrating great student behaviour. Each week, there is a shared expectation which we teach all students, such as "polite and positive talk" or "wear your school uniform with pride": These expectations which reflect the values of our school community, and they are

made clear to all students through our weekly PBL lesson. Teachers then actively look to recognise students who are meeting this expectation, providing positive verbal feedback, and handing out

Soaring Seagull tokens, which go into a barrel for our weekly Soaring Seagull draw. Pictured are some of our wonderful students who clearly demonstrated the expectation, "wear your school uniform with pride.

Some of our parents may not know about our new PBL systems and processes, particularly in relation to positive behaviour rewards. You may be interested to know that, at the start of each week, students have a class meeting to suggest, discuss and vote for what their class reward may be, should they be selected as the winning class. A really popular class reward at the moment is getting to wear pyjamas to school – and many of our staff are very envious of the class teachers who also get to participate in this comfy reward! Our students really enjoy getting to select their own reward and we love to see student agency and student voice in action at our school! Congratulations to this week's winning classes: 2S & 3B! Teachers will communicate details of class rewards with parents via the Parent Portal.

This week is SAS appreciation week: a special time of the year to say "thank you" to our school admin and support staff team. At UBPS, we think we have the best SAS team ever! They are incredibly hardworking, capable, generous, reliable and care so deeply for our students and our school. They bring the magic every day and are a vibrant, irreplaceable part of our school. If you'd like to send a special message to our school admin or support staff, please use the link below to do SO, and we will share on Friday morning at our SAS special mornina https://forms.office.com/r/ub6wzrsy9f

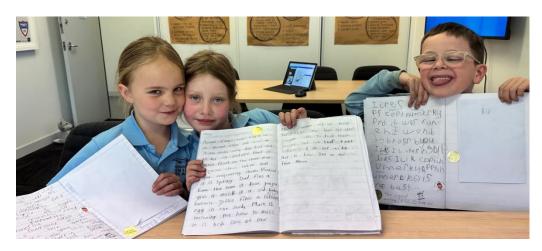


## Great students at our school!

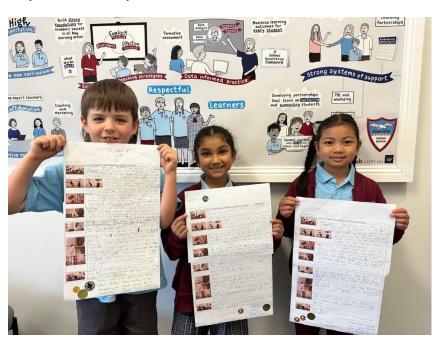
What a thrill it was to be visited by the 3AB team who all came to the office to show their great work! I couldn't quite fit everyone in my office at once, but I truly enjoyed reading each of the independent writing created by students in their daily literacy session. I was very impressed with the use of tiered vocabulary and thoughtful language choices. I predict we will see some poets, creative writers, song writers and screen writers in the future from our 3AB students. Great work, everyone!



My visit from Jess, Jet and Ellis from 1C was very entertaining: they were so excited about sharing their amazing writing and wanted to read every page in their books for me! The sense of confidence in our young students is just inspiring and it is facilitating wonderful, creative, rich learning progress. Keep up the great work, 1C. Your reading and writing process is amazing!



I loved my visit from Flynn, Savreen and Nisa from 1/2P who showed their outstanding writing re-tell scaffolds. The rich language choices and specific vocabulary our students are using in their writing is just amazing. Well done to our students in 1/2P and all our K-2 classes who are making such positive learning gains with the introduction of our new K-2 English curriculum, in tandem with our school's strategic focus on explicit teaching of literacy and numeracy, K-6.





Written by Teff Bonnor Music by Pat Farrell



It's been another big couple of weeks and there have been plenty of performances. The Worms were revealed at the Book Week parade. Well done to the actors who play the worms for their inspiring and energising version of 'Wiggle It' and a big thank you to all the students who sang along, especially the wonderful Stage 2 students.

There have been special rehearsals at school for the actors and I would like to say a huge thank you to Mr Buist and Mrs Darmody for coming in as volunteers to help with the acting. It is so appreciated and valuable!

As mentioned previously, 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.

Who cares about watching 'The Voice'? Guy, Jason, Jess and Rita need to get themselves to Umina Beach Public School to see some REAL talent!!!!





## **DANCE GROUP - SHOWCASE**

Congratulations to the students in the dance group who did a wonderful performance at the Central Coast School's Showcase at Laycock Street Theatre on Friday 25 August. They performed their dance 'Bloody Mary' which had a Wednesday Addams theme. Initially, the dance group only featured Year 5 & 6 students, but there were a group of year 2 girls who were super keen to come and watch the older girls rehearse each week, so Miss Ainsworth decided to incorporate them into the dance for Showcase! The students performed in a matinee show during the day and also got to sit in the audience and watch the other talented performing arts from other schools. They then returned again for the evening performance, for parents and families to watch. It was lovely to see our students backstage, being kind and giving compliments to performers from other schools. We received many compliments about our costumes! Thank you to all the parents who came along to watch the show.

Miss Ainsworth and Mrs Young



Congratulations to our latest Literacy Award winners who were presented with their certificate and a \$20.00 book voucher on Friday by our friends at **Wiseberry Peninsula real estate**.

- River KC
- Quinn 2A
- Alexander 2/3T
- Kanishk 6J

Also, congratulations to Cavarlia in 1/2P for receiving the Quiet Achiever Award, a \$25.00 voucher proudly sponsored by **Baker's Delight Umina**.

## **REBEL READERS TERM 3 WEEK 6**

Kindy	Stage 1	Stage 2	Stage 3
KS	1C		5C
Keira	Eden		Harry
Jayce	Archer		Jake
Keira W	Jess		Kacey
	Text		Sasha
KM	William		Logan
Reef	Kye		
Cressida			5K
			Levi M



#### **EXCURSIONS**

There is a lot to tell about this topic, so this is the first of three entries.

I've been to a lot of places with the Umina students- Patonga, Lake Keepit, Point Woolstencroft, Canberra, Kincumber, Bathurst, Hill End, Camp Toukley, Putty Beach just to name a few.

Some people have the impression that teachers are lucky getting a paid "holiday" when they go on excursions with children. This shows a complete misunderstanding of the huge amount of work that goes into an excursion both before, during and after the event. Don't get me wrong, I have always seen excursions, especially overnight ones, as a great experience for the children and a wonderful bonding exercise between the students and their teachers, however, I have never been on an overnight excursion where I haven't felt sleep deprived!

## **PART ONE**

For many years, when I first started at Umina, in Term 1 we'd take the Year 5 & 6 kids camping at Patonga, with Year 6 going Monday-Wednesday and Year 5 staying Wednesday-Friday. The kids would go by bus and many parents would meet us down at Patonga to help the kids pitch their tents and then some parents would come back in the afternoon to help prepare dinner. As well as all the great stuff there is to do around Patonga, we'd also take the kids across to Palm Beach on the ferry. Their favourite spot was the huge sand dunes and there were a few times we saw them filming "Home and Away". At the end of the day, the children loved gathering around a campfire on the beach (that they'd help to collect firewood for), to sing some songs and to listen to some funny stories. Unfortunately, a couple of washed-out camps and greater bureaucracy spelt the end for these excursions.

The school I taught at before coming to Umina Beach, was at Gunnedah which is about 4-5 hours North West of Umina. I was therefore very surprised when the main excursion for the first class I taught at Umina (Year 5), was a Sport and Recreation Camp at a place called "Lake Keepit" which is just half an hour from Gunnedah! At the time there was a fairly bad drought going on and quite a lot of water from the lake had dried up leaving a wide muddy edge in some places. I remember one of the children going too close to the lake's edge (even though he had been warned not to) and getting caught in the mud. At first the kids and the teachers thought it was a bit funny, especially when someone commented that the kid was "stuck in the mud". But then the seriousness of the situation became a bit clearer- left by himself, the boy would literally be "stuck in the mud" and couldn't get out. We did manage to rescue the boy- but he lost one of his shoes in the mud that we couldn't get back! To my knowledge, it is still buried in the mud today.

#### PBL UPDATE

Students have been learning about our 'Be Respectful' expectations. Please refer to the infographics below to learn about our Week 8 Lesson - Listen to and Follow Instructions and our Week 9 Lesson - Use appropriate noise levels.



## THANK YOU!!!

A BIG thank you to Umina Beach Public School P&C for donating lunch time activities for students to use in the library. 1/2 P students were very excited to have the opportunity to be first to look at the fun equipment. Mrs Deas- (Teacher librarian)

The Mingaletta Deadly School Holiday Program is back this Spring! Limited spots are available for these FREE activities on each day. Please call Mingaletta Admin to receive your registration form to secure your place. Checkout the flyer for all details!





Please be advised that there will be a small increase to some of our uniform prices effective from 1 September 2023.

#### REPORTS AND THE INFORMATION FLUENCY FRAMEWORK

2023 is the first year where we have included a mark and comment on reports in the library section linked with the new Information Fluency Framework. Information fluency is the ability to critically think while engaging with, creating and utilising information and technology, regardless of the information platform or medium.

The framework is taught K-12 and each outcome builds upon the next. The outcomes focus on students as consumers and creators of information. There are 5 domains of learning taught throughout each year in library lessons: social, literate, innovative, critical, and ethical. Each term during library lessons students will complete lessons from these domains before being assessed on the skills they have obtained. There are 2 assessments per term and 4 in each semester. A student's mark is averaged before a grade is determined from the 4 pieces of work provided. The assessments are graded using the same criteria for all classes in a stage.

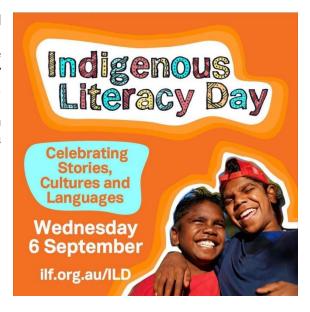
Semester 2 results will include a comment on the frequency of borrowing from the library. This will not affect the mark given however, it provides students the opportunity to learn responsibility when using property that is shared and helps them with organisation skills.

Mrs Deas (Teacher-Librarian)



There's so much happening across our school and community around Aboriginal education this week.

Wednesday is Indigenous Literacy Day. Students will be watching a 15-minute film celebrating Indigenous Literacy Day with stories and songs from remote Communities, hosted by the Sydney Opera House. Following the film, Aboriginal students will watch a 45-minute livestream celebration directly from the Sydney Opera House, with a star-studded team of ILF Ambassadors - Jessica Mauboy, Justine Clarke, Gregg Dreise, Josh Pyke and more!





# **HUNTER KIDS**

## **Vacation Care Umina Beach**

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Activities are subject to change depending on numbers, weather, educator ratio, etc.

Hat, Lunch box with snacks, drink bottle, closed in shoes

are required every day.

Service cost: \$76.00 (Child Care Subsidy will apply to all fees)
Excursions and Incursions \$86.00 (includes transport and entry fees)

<u>Date</u>	Activity Description	Cost	Location
Monday 25 <sup>th</sup> September, 2023	CINEMA PARADISO  TMNT Turtle Mayhem  The Turtle brothers work to earn the love of New York City while facing down an army of mutants	\$86.00	Excursion to Cinema Paradiso
Tuesday 26 <sup>th</sup> September, 2023	CREATIVE CERAMICS  Become creative with ceramics, make something to keep or give as a gift, use colour, paint and other materials to decorate.	\$86.00	In Service
Wednesday 27 <sup>th</sup> September, 2023	EXPTILE  Learn, Connect, Explore Australian Wildlife in a fun, entertaining and hands on environment. Take a walk on the wild side.	\$86.00	Incursion
Thursday 28 <sup>th</sup> September, 2023	UMINA BEACH OLYMPIC GAMES Join a team, create a challenge, use your imagination, volleyball, badmington, t-ball other games of competition.	\$76.00	In Service
Friday 29 <sup>th</sup> September, 2023	NINJA WARRIOR  Australian Warrior Fitness (AWF) is the best Ninja Training Facility on the Central Coast. Catering for all levels, from beginners to elite champions, seek out your inner Ninja Warrior.	\$86.00	Excursion Ninja Training Facility Gosford



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Monday 2 <sup>nd</sup>	PUBLIC HOLIDAY CLOSED	:	
October, 2023			
Tuesday 3 <sup>rd</sup> October, 2023	WATER SPLASH DAY  Splash around in the water castles.  Experience fun filled activities with water play, don't forget your towel, hat, sunscreen and spare clothes.	\$76.00	In Service
Wednesday 4 <sup>th</sup> October, 2023	ROCKPOOL ADVENTURES Enjoy the rockpool show learning interesting facts about the sea creatures, touch them, watch them and learn about their environment.	\$86.00	Incursion
Thursday 5 <sup>th</sup> October, 2023	CLIP N CLIMB  Experience the adventure of rock climbing with fun focused and engaging play activities to provide a solid foundation of climbing and general fitness.	\$86.00	Excursion to Clip N Climb Gosford
Friday 6 <sup>th</sup> October, 2023	PUTT PUTT GOLF  Putt around your very own putt putt course. Create your own course, see if you can get a hole in one.	\$76.00	In Service

# CONTACT OUR PROGRAM DIRECTOR ELAINE at hunter20kids@gmail.com OR 0410 647 153

Hunter Kids must have an enrolment form for each child, for new enrolments the first week will be payable in advance

Includes breakfast, lunch, and afternoon tea.

Hours of operation 6:30am-6.30pm

Excursion days there will be strict drop off times, times will be sent via email the day before.





### **UMINA TENNIS SPORTS CAMP NOTICE**

Where: UMINA TENNIS, Umina When: Mon 25 - Friday 29 September Time: 9:00am-3:00pm Cost: Wk \$100.00, Day \$30.00

BEFORE & AFTER CAMP CARE NOT AVAILABLE

TO BOOK YOUR SPOT PLEASE MSG 0410828278
WALK INS WILL BE TAKEN SUBJECT TO AVAILABILITY ON THE DAY

Included: All equipment, Prizes & Presentation Friday TENNIS, SOCCER, ATHLETICS, TOUCH, DODGE BALL ETC.

The camps are held wet or fine with indoor activities provided. We Accept Active kids vouchers.

# Bushfire danger period information for parents and carers



## **Factsheet**

This factsheet provides information for parents and carers about arrangements for the bushfire danger period.

The NSW Department of Education has engaged external experts to conduct assessments of all NSW government schools, to identify schools at greater risk of impact from bushfires.

To support the health, safety and wellbeing of students and staff, the department, in consultation with NSW Rural Fire Service (NSW RFS), will direct the school to temporarily cease operations on days when a Catastrophic Fire Danger Rating has been declared for your school's NSW fire area. Alternative learning arrangements will be put in place for these days.

Schools may be directed by the department to become non-operational at any time based on advice from emergency services and the State Emergency Operations Centre.



## What is a Fire Danger Rating?

Fire Danger Ratings describe the potential level of danger should a fire start. The ratings are determined by a combination of factors including air temperature, relative humidity, wind speed and drought.

For further information on the Australian Fire Danger Rating System, visit <u>rfs.nsw.gov.au/news-and-media/fire-danger-ratings-are-changing-soon</u> Fire Danger Rating sign



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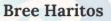




Online business coaching (if you're doing your own books, we can help!)

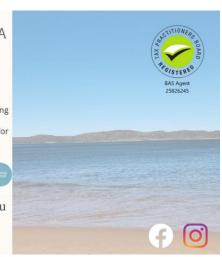
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