Term 1 Week 2

3 February 2014

Dates to Remember
February
3rd—Swimming Program begins
12th—Tennis Tournament—Ouyen
20th—Cluster Swimming Sports
27th—Interschool Swimming Sports Ouyen—yrs 3-6
March
10—Labor Day Holiday

WHO’S DOING WHAT THIS WEEK?
Normal week this week

THIS WEEKS BIRTHDAYS
Mrs P is having a birthday on Wednesday. Happy Birthday to you, Happy Birthday to you!!!

Newsletter 2014

School Council Meeting
We will be having our first School Council for 2014 on Wednesday 12th February commencing at 8pm. Councillors please attend if possible.

School Council AGM
The AGM is set for Tuesday 11th March at 8pm. Self Nomination forms will be sent home to each family. Parents are encouraged to nominate if they wish to be in touch with how and why decisions regarding education in our school are made a say in this decision making process. Please note: Parents who still have one year of their term to run and do not need to re nominate are: Alice, Pennie, Prue, Theo and Kaylene (you will not receive a nomination form).

Parents & Friends Meeting—AGM/General
The first meeting for the year is to be held on Monday 17th February at 3.30pm. All parents are urged to attend and have input into the running of their children’s education and the fundraisers that help with the running of school programs. All issues raised and discussed at the School Council are presented at the Parents and Friends meetings so all members of all families know what’s happening.

Student Attendance Regulations
Following changes to the Departments Attendance Policy, all parents must supply the school with a note or verbal consent when their children are absent from school. If this is not received, students will be marked with the “500” code—unexplained. Parents who’s children have a 500 code listed will be receiving a letter at the end of the month requesting an explanation. 500 codes not explained will be reflected in the school’s Annual Report. The purpose of this policy is to make sure that all students are at school all of the time unless there is a good and valid reason not to be. I will be sending home student absence forms this week to make this process much easier. If you have any questions regarding this please contact the office.
Swimming Program— Please note Change of Days
Our program begins today and will continue for the next three weeks. Due to the pool already being booked on Thursdays we have had to change our days to Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday. Please make sure you send your children’s bathers, towel and goggles if needed on these days.

Spare Clothes for Free
We have a selection of pre loved school uniform items on display in the corridor for families to take if they fit. These are really handy to have in the cupboard if the washing doesn't get done or there is an accident with tomato sauce etc at school. Please feel free to come and have a browse.

Hot Shop Lunches on Friday
We are once again inviting students to have a lunch from the shop on Fridays. This is however subject to parental assistance. We require a parent to commit to picking up the lunches at 12.30 and deliver them to the school. This could be a monthly or per term commitment. If you are willing to help out please contact Bec asap. If we don't have a parent we will not be able to continue with the shop lunches.

Clean Up Australia
Years 1 – 6 will be participating in the Annual Clean Up Australia Day on Friday February 28th. We will once again be cleaning up around the Rec Reserve and will no doubt manage to fill several bags as has been the case in past years.

Somers Camp
Marissa and Hamish, along with students in years 5 & 6 from the Sunraysia area will be attending the Somers Camp from 4th—12th March. This is a fantastic camp and the students get to participate in many wonderful outdoor activities.

Cluster Swimming Sports
These are to be held on Thursday 20th February at the Underbool Swimming Pool. We will require parents to assist with setting up for this day and to help with the running of events.

UDSSPA Sports Dates
Following is a list of dates which have been set for interschool sporting events for this year. Please mark these on your calendars so you don’t make any other appointments for your children or yourselves on these dates.
Swimming— Ouyen—Thursday 27th February—years 3—6—(back up date 3rd March)
Cross Country—Ouyen—Friday 9th May—years 3-6—(back up date Friday 16th May)
Lightning Premierships - Ouyen –Wednesday June 11th—years 3-6  Athletics Sports—
Ouyen—Thursday 14th August—Prep—6—(back up date—Friday 15th August)

Interschool Tennis
Marissa, Samuel and Tyler will be attending the Interschool Tennis Tournament to be held at
the Ouyen Lawn Courts on Wednesday of next week. Mrs P will be attending with the stu-
dents. They will need to wear their tennis clothes, take a racket, hat, sunscreen, lunch and a
drink. Cost will be $5. This needs to be sent to school by the end of this week please.

School Captains
Congratulations to Nicolas and Marissa who are our School Captains for this year. They are both al-
ready showing their leadership qualities and will no doubt develop these further as the year goes on.
Well done kids!

School Captains—2014
Nicolas Stone
Roles  Jobs  - List Organiser
Book Club, Slideshow

Marissa Prentice
Roles—Newsletter Items
Book Club, Slideshow

Creatures & Critters May Be Out And About!!
Please make sure your children are aware that there may be creatures and critters out and about on
their way to school. Please keep your eyes peeled!!!!

Bookclub
Forms have been sent home today and are due back at school next Tuesday 11th February.
Please make cheques payable to the Underbool Primary School.
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