

TERM 1, WEEK 3
2021

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Upcoming Events

FEBRUARY

Tuesday 8th - the school's two week Swimming Program Begins.

Friday 19th - the Swimming Program Concludes with a 'Mini-Olympics' Event held in collaboration with Tempy Primary School. **Students are to be dismissed from the pool on this day.**

Friday 26th - UDSSA Swimming Carnival @ Murrayville.

MARCH

Wednesday 3rd - Sunraysia South Swimming Carnival @ Mildura.

Monday 8th - Labour Day Public Holiday

Thursday 18th - Regional Swimming Carnival @ Swan Hill.

APRIL

Thursday 1st - Last day of Term 1.

Friday 2nd - Good Friday Public Holiday.

We acknowledge the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples the first peoples and traditional custodians of the lands where we live, learn and work. We pay our respects to the Elders, both past, present and future, for they hold the memories, traditions, culture and hopes of Indigenous Australians.



Underbool Primary School News

What's been happening in and around the Linga Classroom!!



Students in the Linga Room are working on letter - sound relationships. Painting letters on the concrete is a great way to practise correct starting points, shape and formation.

Holiday Recounts with the Sunset Classroom

My Trip to Maffra

I went to Maffra on the holidays. It is a very long drive. We have to go past Melbourne but we got there. My Uncle Corey rang and he said we were late. Finally it was Christmas and Nan woke me up. I was tired and excited at the same time. I got 48 packs of playdough, a toy pony that moves and lots and lots of other stuff. We went home but our car broke down so we had to stay down in Maffra. - **By Cayley**

My Dream Holiday

I was at the beach and when I was playing in the water, I saw a puffer fish and an angler fish. Then we went back home. I played for hours and hours and then I went to bed. It was Christmas. - **By Jake**

On the holidays I travelled a heap. I went to Melbourne for Christmas. Then I went to Point Lonsdale. Then I went to Torquay with the Latta's. It was fun. - **By Mackenzie**

Student Leader's Report

Week 3 - well what a start to the week! Another new student named Brody started at Underbool Primary School on Monday. He is still pretty new to how we do things around here so it would help if we welcome him to our community and answer any questions he might have.

Remember to always follow the school values:

Respect, Enthusiasm, Achievement and Persistence!

- **Written by Nathan Batterham**

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This Weeks Birthdays...



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Bathers (including a 'rashie')

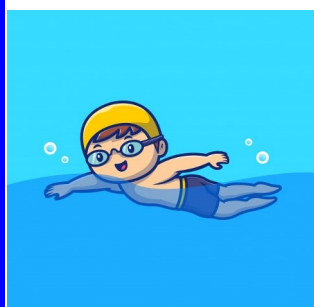
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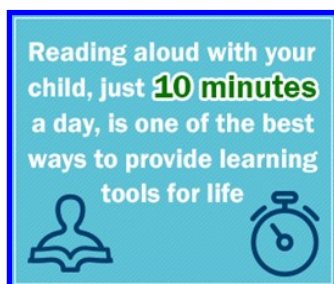
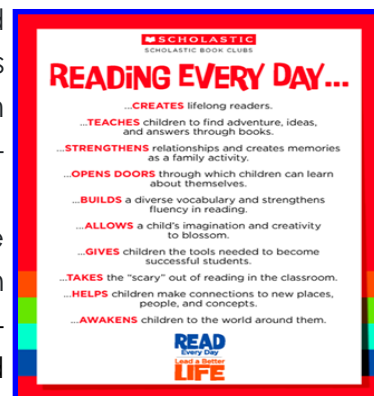


Principal's Report

Wow! Can you believe it is week three already? Our students have settled into their school routines well, remembering hats and drink bottles before we add the annual Swimming Program to the mix. Well done on the positive attitudes, calm learning and friendly faces each and every day.

We welcome Brody and his family, Rod and Rhiannon to Underbool Primary School this week. Brody will be joining the Sunset Team and comes from Bainsdale. Brody and his family are living in Walpeup.

A congratulations to the Day family on the birth of twins Violet and Penelope. We wish them all the best health as they stabilise in Melbourne. Also condolences to the Lovitt and Day families on the loss of a family member in a horrific car accident recently.



Students have completed most of the curriculum pretesting to inform the classroom teachers and support them in planning for individualised learning. Students have also been setting personal goals. Tomorrow, staff will complete additional training on Essential Assessment and we will share this information with parents soon.

Lunchtime activities coordinated by our student leaders are going really well with lots of excited participation.

We have had some busy volunteers over the weekend weeding the garden areas and staking the growing trees- thank you!

Compass

Our new web based school management system goes *live* tomorrow. **If students are unable to attend school it remains very important to communicate with the school, personally, via a note, message or email.** From tomorrow, parents will be alerted about any unknown absences via SMS. Parents can respond to this via a link. Consistent student attendance is important and together, we aim to get the best achievement outcomes for your child/ren.

To learn more about Compass (including Parent Tutorials) please follow this link. More information will be shared over the coming weeks.

www.compass.education/guide

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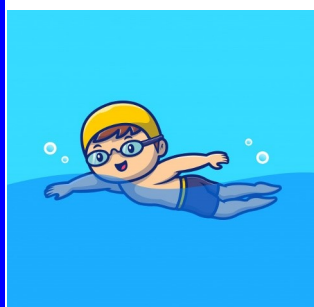
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Assembly The weekly assembly will be led by our Student Leadership Team on Friday afternoons at 3pm, starting this week. Parents are welcome to join us.

Classroom Agreements

Students have been working together to negotiate a set of agreed classroom rules so that everyone can learn to the best of their ability in a safe, positive and inclusive environment. When these classroom agreements are sent home with the students, we encourage all parents and carers to take the time to sit down and discuss them. We ask that both students and



parents/carers sign the agreement and return to school. The school rules and responsibilities document will also be available for everyone to view.

Parking/Pick Up

Thank you to all families for making student pick up smooth and safe. Pick up will continue to be a drive through system with a few parking spots for those parents/guardians that wish to come into the school.

Safer Internet Day - TODAY

On **Safer Internet Day** the world comes together with a shared vision of making online experiences better for everyone. At Underbool Primary School we will be participating in activities including a virtual classroom webinar for primary schools entitled, **Be an eSafe kid: Fake news, real harms** and promoting a new webinar for parents and carers.

Swimming Program

All students (Foundation - Year 6) will be participating in Underbool Primary School's Annual Swimming Program. **This program will begin on TUESDAY THE 9TH AND CONCLUDE ON FRIDAY THE 19TH OF FEBRUARY. Students will only be required to bring their swimming gear to school from Tuesday through to Friday each week.** Please note: the Foundation students are welcome to attend the pool each Wednesday throughout the month of February (during the allocated swimming time for Mrs Scott's class). Students are to be driven by Francey to and from the pool for their lessons each day.

Thank you to Catherine who has spent a considerable amount of time organising and facilitating this valuable program for our students.

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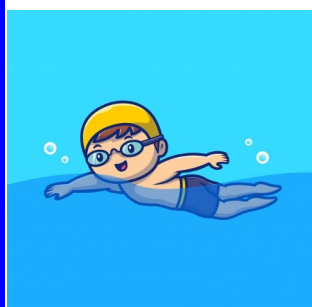
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Changes to the Swimming Program – Friday 12th February

Due to our Italian Program being scheduled in the morning, the Swimming program will be altered on Friday the 12th of February. We will instead have a whole school afternoon at the pool from 2:00pm to 3:20pm. **Therefore, students can be dismissed from the pool that afternoon. Could parents please confirm via the school mobile phone if your child will be dismissed from the pool or picked up from school.**

Swimming Mini-Olympics with Tempy Primary School

On Friday the 19th of February, we will host our Annual Swimming Carnival with Tempy Primary School at the Underbool Swimming Pool. The start time will be 10:00am, students will walk to the pool from school in the morning and be dismissed from the pool that afternoon. We will be hosting a fun race again at the end of the official events. So parents and friends please pack your bathers and bring your competitive spirit! Further information will be provided in next week's newsletter regarding teams and an event schedule.

Underbool Primary School Swim Program Timetable 2021

Program Intention/Focus:

Week 1: Water familiarisation, aquatic safety, survival and rescue skills.

Week 2: Diving skills and stroke development (game sense approach).

Time	Group
9:30am – 10:15am	Bill Lydia Harry Hunter Jess
10:30am – 11:15am	Benji Bradley Cassidy Deklyn Nathan
11:30am – 12:15pm	Annie Ava Billy Grace Maggie
12:30pm – 1:15pm	Georgie Giselle Jazmin Mackenzie McKayla
1:30pm – 2:15pm	Brody Cayley Evie Lissy Scarlett
2:30pm – 3:10pm	Danial Harvey Jake