

TERM 1, WEEK 11
2022

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Upcoming Events

APRIL

Friday 8th - Last day of Term 1

Monday 25th - ANZAC Day

Tuesday 26th - First day of Term 2

Thursday 28th - Cross Country at Ouyen P-12

Friday 29th - Curriculum Day

MAY

Thursday 5th Sunraysia South Cross Country in Mildura

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

Dear Parents and Carers,

It's almost unimaginable that term one, 2022 is over. The warm summer days foreshadowed a great swimming programme with Underbool Primary School well represented at both the district and regional swimming sports meets. Harry McVicar will compete in a State Final in Melbourne in April.

Students have worked diligently throughout the term and have enjoyed the varied curriculum across the school. Staff have taken on board a whole school assessment package by ACER [Australian Council For Educational Research] which we completed last week and overall the school is tracking well in terms of academic rigor in both literacy and numeracy. The tests are diagnostic and are able to define both strengths and weaknesses in every student so we are able to target teaching and learning strategies.

Thank you to the families who were able to help out at the 'cleanout of the sheds working-bee.' Both sheds are much safer for students and teachers to use and of course, there is much more useable space in each shed.

On Thursday 7th April Simon Morrison will be leading our ANZAC day Commemorations. We are committed to Italian lessons at 9.15 am, so it is important that students be at school at 8.45 am.

In the afternoon we will be joined by paramedic Jason McEwan, who will go through some basic first aid procedures and show us the MICA ambulance.

Lydia and Danial, our grade 6, students have planned an end-of-the-term/Easter-themed day on Friday. Please support their efforts by giving your child money to participate in the raffles and games. [Absolute Max. \$2.00.] It is an out-of-uniform day.

Please ensure that the communication books are returned to school if you haven't already done so.

As a staff, we would like to wish you all, a safe and happy Easter holiday break. Take care on the roads and enjoy the time with your children. We look forward to their return on TUESDAY 26th APRIL, ready for the Cross County in Ouyen on Thursday 28th April. Friday 29th April will be our term 2 Curriculum Day. We will host the staff from Murrayville College Primary Staff at Underbool Primary School, and together we will unpack the Top Ten Maths Programme.

Fiona, Jacinta, Kate and Jim



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RESPECT

ENTHUSIASM

ACHIEVEMENT

PERSISTENCE

School Contact Numbers

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A reminder to our families that if you wish to contact the school, the preferred method of communication is via the landline or mobile phone number outlined above.

Birthdays

Happy Birthday to **Bill Morrison**—April 14th. We hope that you have a great birthday in the school holidays!

Happy Birthday **Grace Donnellan**. We wish you a very happy birthday for the 24th April!



School Council Sub-Committees

The following sub committees were endorsed at the School Council AGM held last week.

Building and Ground Committee:

Principal, Phil Aikman, Matt Brown, Steve McVicar, Garth Aikman, Simon Morrison, Chris Lynch, Luke Nathan, Steve Donnellan, Malcolm Crothers, Scott Brammer

Curriculum Committee

Principal, Prue Lynch, Kylie Aikman, Sonia McVicar, Kyra Nathan, Kristen Brown, Jo Morrison

Finance Committee

Principal, Kate Pole, Kristen Brown, Sonia McVicar, Kylie Aikman, Prue Lynch

Fundraising & Events Committee

Sonia McVicar, Kylie Aikman, Kristen Brown

2022 Student Requisites and Contributions (School Fees)

Please find attached a copy of the **2022 Student Requisites and Contributions letter** to the school newsletter. The school fees are to remain the same as 2021 which equates to **\$160.00 per student**.

Underbool Primary School endeavours to keep the cost of school items and activities to a minimum.

Please note; Families who receive the Conveyance Allowance are not required to make the annual Student Requisites and Contributions payment as this will be taken out from their youth allowance payment. We encourage all families to read over the information presented in the letter and forward any questions or queries to Kate in the office.

Working With Children Check

The Working with Children Check is a screening process for assessing people who work with or care for children in Victoria. Underbool Primary School require Working with Children Checks for visitors and volunteers engaging in child-connected work, for example school camps, excursions and sporting events. We are required to keep a copy of current checks for parents and volunteers attending the school. Please contact the office if you require assistance with your check.

Ouyen United Junior Football and Netball

Parents and carers are invited to attend an information session about the 2022 season for junior football on Thursday 7th April at 6pm at Blackburn Park, Ouyen.