

# Underbool Primary School News

TERM 2, WEEK 5

25 MAY 2022



## Upcoming Events

### MAY

22 May—28 May

Education Week

27 May - 3 June

National Reconciliation Week

Tuesday 31st May—Cross Country St. Arnaud

### JUNE

Wednesday 1st to Friday

3rd Grade 3 to 6 Camp Creswick

Monday 13th - Queen's Birthday Public Holiday

Thursday 23rd - Bus Inspections at Nunga

Friday 24th - Last day Term 2—finish at 2.30pm

*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.*



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Dear Parents and guardians,

On Wednesday, the students enjoyed the visit from our local policeman Al Heintze who spoke to the students about road safety and walking and riding to school. His experiment, which included eggs and straws taught the students the importance of bike helmets.



On Thursday we journeyed to Ouyen P-12 College to participate in the Italian Day organised by our Italian Teacher Isabella Mammoliti and Language Coordinator Angela Minuzzo. It was a fun filled day with storytelling, music and dancing, art work classes which included an activity imitating the style of Michelangelo by painting artwork that was on the underside of the table with students having to work on their backs to paint and pasta making and eating. A huge 'Thank You' to the Ouyen P-12 College school staff who helped in the organisation of the day. A special

thanks to Pat Higgins who organised the timetable and Esther Cua for making the tasty pasta sauce that the students enjoyed at lunchtime. **I will be away next Monday and Tuesday 30<sup>th</sup> & 31<sup>st</sup> May attending the Principals' Conference in Melbourne.** Mrs. Cheryl Torpey [former principal of Tempy Primary School] will replace me for the two days. I will be back in Underbool on Tuesday evening ready for the Grade 3-6 Camp in Creswick on Wednesday.

The Regional Cross Country will be held in St Arnaud on Tuesday 31<sup>st</sup> May. We wish the seven students participating in the event the best of luck. Thanks to Jo Morrison for coaching the team.

The grade 3-6 camp will be held at Log Cabin Camp next week. We will leave Underbool at 8:00 am with an ETA in Creswick at around 2:00pm. There is plenty of activities to do at the camp and we will be going into Ballarat twice to Sovereign Hill. Firstly, to witness the 'Sound and Light Show' on Wednesday evening and then back there again at midday on Thursday to start the guided tour. Just a reminder that students need not bring electronic devices or mobile phones. The staff will be taking their phones so there will be plenty of opportunity to make contact if needs be. Thank you to Kylie who has offered to be on camp with us.

**We are still looking for a third adult** to help with student supervision. It would be reassuring to have a second adult on the bus.

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## Letter to Families Continued...

Please pack your child/ren's gear into a suitcase and/or stripey zip bag. I will be taking my ute and the school trailer. The students will need to bring their school pack back with food and drink for the trip to Creswick. They may also take their pillow on the bus. We will stop for a couple of breaks along the way. The camp will provide snacks for the journey back to Underbool. Please label clothing. Please ensure that students have their medicines clearly labelled with the correct dosages. .



The weather forecast for the camp is typical for this time of year in Ballarat with a top temperature of 11 degrees on Wednesday warming to 12 degrees on Thursday! A rainproof jacket is advisable.



Again, please feel free to contact me if you have any queries. We are hoping to arrive back in Underbool at around 5:00pm and we will certainly let you know when we are within an hour of home. The students are certainly looking forward to the experience.

On Friday we welcome Mr. Alan Lynch to the school in our celebration of Education Week. Alan will give a history of his days at the school.

Have a great week,

Jim, Fiona, Jacinta, Francey, Jo and Kate

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The two school buses have been booked in for their annual inspection at Nunga on Thursday 23rd June at 12pm. We are looking for two volunteers who can spare a few hours on this day to drive a bus to the inspection site. If you are available, please contact the school as soon as possible. Thank you in advance.



*A quote from Wilson McCaskill the author of the social and emotional intelligence publication 'Children Aren't Made of China'*

*A thought about praise.*

*Think of praise and attention as you would food. No child should starve from lack of it, just as no child should become obese from too much! [pg. 97 Children Aren't Made Of China, Wilson McCaskill]*

*May we suggest that proportionate praise be given when you judge and comment about your child's achievements?*

*'Good effort, you've worked hard at that.'*

*It's good that things are improving, you must be pleased with what you've done. 'Look at how much you've learnt, no wonder you are smiling.'*

*Superlative such as 'fantastic, brilliant, sensational, amazing, super, fabulous, &etc. can often sensationalise expected achievements and have become used so frequently that they have become meaningless.*

*'Let's step back from the language of inflation and trust that specific, informative and sincere praise has far more value than a string of enthusiastically delivered superlatives.'* Wilson McCaskill. From the book, 'Children Aren't Made Of China.

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