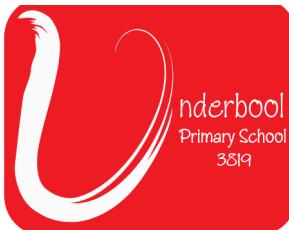


# Underbool Primary School News

TERM 3, WEEK 5

10 AUGUST 2022



## Upcoming Events

### AUGUST

**Tuesday 16th**  
School Photographs

**Wednesday 17th**  
School Council at 5.45pm

**Friday 19th**  
Mini Olympics with Tempy

**Wednesday 24th**  
Book week dress up day

**Thursday 25th**  
Excursion to Pink Lakes

**Friday 26th**  
UDSSA Athletics—Ouyen

**Wednesday 31st**  
B:Safe Parent Session 6-8pm

### SEPTEMBER

**Thursday 1st**  
Body Safety Workshops

**Tuesday 6th**  
Student Free Day

**Wednesday 7th**  
Sunraysia South Athletics—  
Mildura

**Friday 9th**  
Market Day

**Monday 12th**  
Lynton Allan—visiting artist

**Tuesday 13th**  
Farm Safety Day Ouyen F-6

**Friday 16th**  
Last Day of Term 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,

COVID is proving to be a devilish infection affecting attendance at school with a decrease of almost 50%. All we can say is thank you for being diligent around mask-wearing, personal, space and heightened hygiene habits.

We are not the only school in the district dealing with a wave of infection, our 'Mini-Olympics' with Tempy Primary is postponed until Friday 19<sup>th</sup> August.

Please find attached the latest information regarding managing covid in schools from the Education Department.

A reminder that our next school Council meeting is on Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup> August at 5.45pm at the school. Policies for ratification will be sent out shortly.

We are looking forward to Thursday 25<sup>th</sup> August, when Kelly Mott, District Community Engagement Ranger, leads us on a journey of discovery excursion to Pink Lakes. She will focus on the importance of the survival of our native flora and fauna.



A reminder that we will celebrate 'Book Week' with a dress-up parade and activity day on Wednesday 24<sup>th</sup> August.

The Body Safety workshop for parents will be held on Wednesday 31st in the evening commencing at 6pm to 8pm. The following day, 1st September, students will attend the Body Safety workshops during the day.

Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> September is our Curriculum Day with Professional Development in Adelaide for the whole staff. It is a pupil free day.

The 'Market Day' has had to be brought forward to Friday 9<sup>th</sup> September to avoid a clash with Ouyen P-12 College's Transition Programme for the grade six students.

We have only recently been advised of the 'Farm Safety Expo Day' on Tuesday 13<sup>th</sup> September. We have booked for the whole school to attend the day.

Lynton Allan, our visiting artist will be at the school on Monday 12<sup>th</sup> September.

It will be a busy time as we seemingly hurtle towards the end of Term 3.

Take care, stay safe

Jo, Francey, Kate, Jacinta, Fiona and Jim

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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...

Wishing Francy Brown a very happy and special birthday on Saturday!



## Speech Pathology Week

Speech Pathology week is from August 22<sup>nd</sup> to August 28<sup>th</sup> and the theme this year is 'Good Communication, Better Communities'. Lucy Joyce is a speech pathologist from Robinvale District Health Services who works with allied health assistants Deanna Beer and Yve Emanson from Mallee Track Health and Community Service to deliver speech pathology services to a number of towns across the Mallee. The program is funded by the Royal Flying Doctors Service and visits Ouyen, Sea Lake, Underbool, Murrayville, Robinvale, Tempy and Manangatang.

Anyone can refer a child aged 0-12 years to the service, including parents, educators, GPs and Maternal Child Health Nurses. Appointments can be face to face or via Telehealth, generally on a fortnightly or monthly basis with the speech pathologist and/or allied health assistant. Speech pathology covers a wide range of areas related to communication, including speech and articula-



tion, understanding and using language, pre-literacy and literacy skills, social skills, stuttering, voice and also swallowing. Supporting a child's communication leads to better outcomes in life including improved literacy skills, quality of life, mental health and job and social opportunities. Accessing speech pathology services early in life can greatly benefit these outcomes and build a child's confidence in communicating with others.

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