

Underbool Primary School News

From the Principal and Staff

Dear Parents and Guardians,

Our swimming programme has gotten underway and already some students are showing significant improvement in their swimming stroke techniques and agility in the pool. Thanks to Maureen, Jo and Sam for their work.

The swimming programme concludes with a mini swimming sports carnival with Tempy on Friday 17th February. It should be a fun day. Underbool Primary School will be hosting the day with a barbeque lunch. [Later in the year Tempy Primary School hosts our mini-athletics day.]

There is a significant jobs list in preparing for the day that includes, setting up the gazebos, barbeque, trestle tables, purchasing sausages bread and water and the like. Preparing the pool for the competition such as installing the lanes ropes and removing them when needed. We also need positioning marshals and scoring assistants. So, there is plenty to do. We are very much relying on everyone to make this day a success. Please let Sonia McVicar [our School Council President] or the staff know if you can help on the day. Again, a huge thank you to the School Council who will designate tasks to willing volunteers.

Progress on the building renovations is continuing with Richard and Scott, our builders, completing the framing by week's end. The expected job completion date is by the end of the first term holidays.

Enjoy the week ahead stay optimistic,

Jacinta, Jo, Fiona, Francey, Lozz, Kate and Jim

Important Dates

February

<u>Friday 17th</u> School Swimming Sports with Tempy @Underbool

Tuesday 21st UDSSA Swimming Sports@Ouyen

School Council at 5pm

March

Tuesday 1st
UDSSA Swimming
Sports@Ouyen

<u>Thursday 2nd</u> Pancake Day at school

Monday 13th Labour Day Holiday

Wed. 15th—Mon.27th NAPLAN Grade 3 & 5

April

Thursday April 6th Last Day Term One - finish at 2.30pm



School Contact Numbers

- 5094 6342
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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 above.

Birthdays

Wishing Billy a very happy 8th Birthday on Monday. We hope that you have a fantastic day!



School Catering for Mallee Research update hosted by Mallee Sustainable Farming (MSF)

The school catering for this event is going ahead. We have enough volunteers to make it work and could potentially be a \$900 profit for the school to keep aiming at our goal for a new tennis/basketball court.

This event is an annual event and provides our farmers with valuable information for more sustainable farming. This is fantastic for our community to be right at our doorstep!

The Underbool Primary school is happy to provide this service and support MSF.

Thursday 2nd March @ the Underbool Recreation Ground.

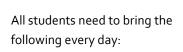
We are asking if parents/friends/grandparents could please donate some food items as listed on our facebook page. Can you please comment on what you can provide?

If you have any questions please let me know.

Many thanks Kylie 0408 393 817

Swimming

Swimming continues daily until Thursday 16th February.



Sun smart bathers/rashie, towel, slip on shoes, hat, own sunscreen if required. A suitable carry bag for dry and wet gear.

The swimming sports will be held with Tempy on Friday 17th February at the Underbool swimming pool with a BBQ lunch.



Building Progress



Building works are progressing this week. The framing commenced yesterday and the project is on track to finish in the April school holidays.

Students have been very careful and maintained their distance from the works zone. Visitors have also been very patient . Thank you for your understanding.

Acts of Kindness at Underbool Primary School

Welcome back to Underbool Primary school for 2023. We are pleased to introduce the Acts of Kindness wall back to encourage the young people to help one another and build community spirit.

Each week we will continue to look at the Acts of Kindness notes placed on the board and as a result draw one out of a box. The winner will then be able to pick a prize.

Week 1 we want to say well done to **Georgie Aikman** for helping another young person clear their desk this week.

We continue to encourage others to model positive behaviours, especially the older students.

Fantastic job again Georgie!



From the vegetable patch

Jake and Harvey were excited to find some Lebanese cucumbers growing in the vegetable garden bed this morning.



Thank you to the families who looked after the garden during the holidays.



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