



Underbool Primary School News

From the Principal and staff

Dear Parents and Guardians,

Thank you to Fiona, Raelene Vine, and the team who filled in for Jim earlier this week. It was very much appreciated.

Kate has moved into her new office and is really enjoying the bright and open space. The connection with students has been significant and she is thankful to Colleen who supported her with the move and Phil who assisted with furniture relocation. The Principal's Office and conference room are up and running and are already being used as a space for visiting specialists from Mildura.

We were thrilled for Harry McVicar who achieved a personal best in the State Finals of the Victorian Swimming competitions last Friday. This was a fantastic achievement. Congratulations Harry!

Today, the grade 5 and 6 students head to Mildura to participate in the GRIP leadership conference. Thank you to Eric Smee who volunteered to drive the bus for us. The students and Mr Rinaldi are looking forward to the day ahead.

Tomorrow, students who qualified for the Regional Cross Country will head to Mildura to participate in the Sunraysia South competition. We wish them all the very best.

This weekend we will provide dinner for the Ouyen United Football and Netball Club at Underbool on Saturday evening. Thank you to the families who are supporting this important school fundraising event.

On Monday, Sarah from EnviroEdu, will be facilitating two sessions at school. The funding received through the Victorian Junior Landcare and Biodiversity Grant, is covering the cost of this incursion. There will be a Foundation/Year 1 session and a Year 2-6 session, which will allow Sarah to modify and adapt the experience to suit the needs of each group.

Have a great week and stay optimistic. Jim, Fiona, Francey, Kate, Jacinta, Jo and Lozz

Important Dates

May

Thursday 4th
Cross Country Mildura

Monday 8th
Enviro-Edu @ Underbool

Tuesday 16th
Comic Workshop

Friday 19th
Walk Safely to School Day

Possum Magic F-1
Mildura

Wednesday 24th
National Story Time

Friday 26th May
National Sorry Day

Wednesday 31st
A Taste of Africa Regional
Arts @ Underbool

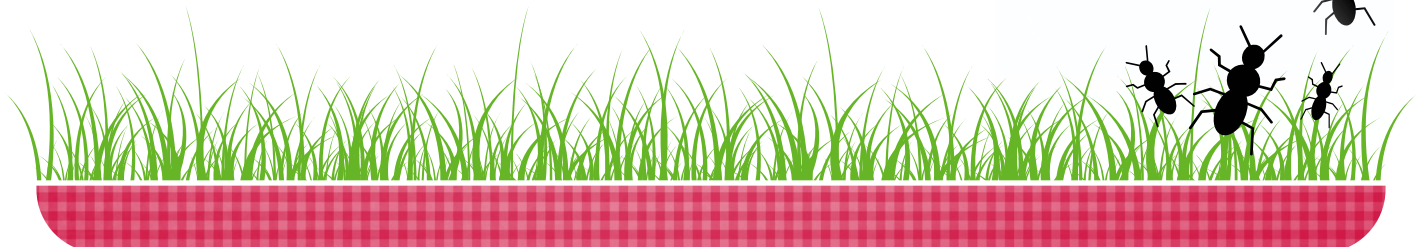
June

Tuesday 6th
Cross Country St.A

Monday 12th
King's Birthday

Wed. 14th and Friday 16th
School Review

Friday 23rd
Last Day Term Two



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 McKayla a very happy 12th birthday on Sunday. We hope that you have a fantastic day!

We wish Annie a very happy 10th birthday for next Wednesday! Have a great day.



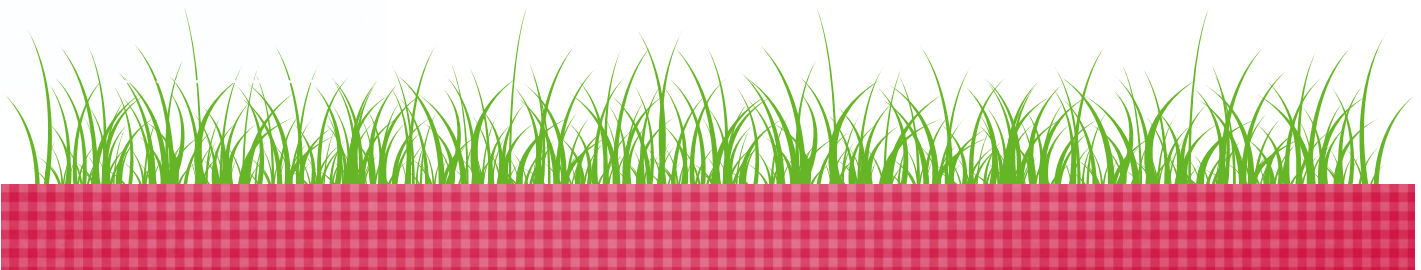
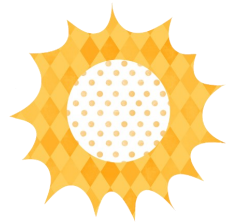
Office relocation

Thank you to Colleen and Phil Aikman who helped Kate move into her new office space. They also assisted with furniture relocation into the Principal's Office/Conference Room on Monday. The support and their dedication are immensely appreciated by all of the school community.



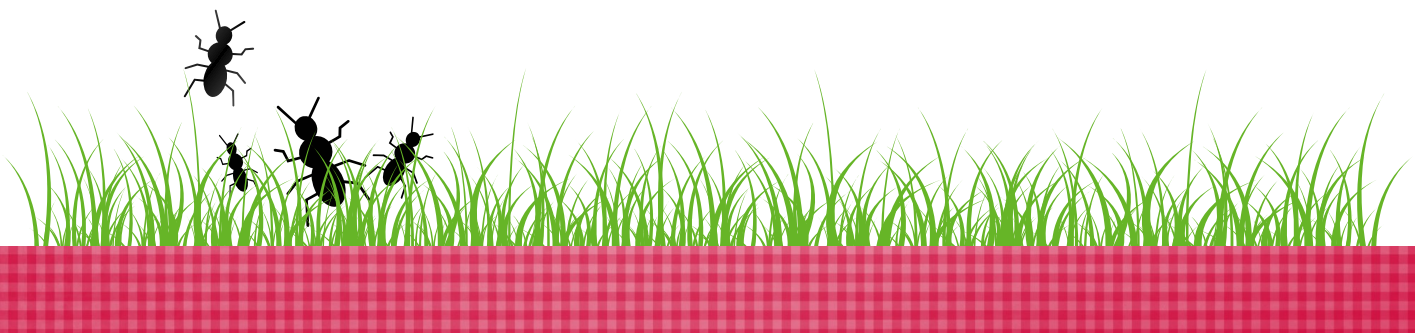
In the vegetable garden

Students thoroughly enjoyed planting sugar snap peas and sweet peas with Mrs Vine on Tuesday. They were so excited that they wanted to eat the sugar snaps straight away!



GRIP Leadership

Some photos of students at the GRIP leadership conference in Mildura today.



Student Requisites/Fees

A copy of the **2023 Student Requisites and Contributions letter** was attached to last week's school newsletter. The school fees are to remain the same as 2022 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 queries to Kate in the office.

Acts of Kindness at Underbool Primary School

Week 1 has returned at Underbool Primary School and there was a positive and encouraging start to the term. The young people have been reminded about what gratitude prompting exercises they can use to ground themselves and ways they can bring that home. They have also been reminded of the resilience skills they have thus far learnt and how they can incorporate these in everyday life.

The 'Acts Of Kindness' draw has commenced once more and prompting questions have been used on the board for the young people. There are a range of ways in which the students are able to be kind to one another which include saying kind compliments, telling someone you appreciate them, showing empathy and forgiving someone (prompting having a hard conversation to heal relationships). Please continue to encourage the young people to work on this.

This week the Acts of Kindness draw goes to Mackenzie Lynch for helping another young person with one of their tasks. This is the second time Mackenzie has been drawn out of the box to win the prize. This highlights the consistent changes that our young people are making towards positive change.

Excellent Work again Mackenzie!

Ms Lozz

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