

# NEWSLETTER

## TERM 3 WEEK 9: TUESDAY 18 SEPTEMBER 2018

### ROCK & WATER AND GIRLS' GROUP

Student wellbeing and welfare is central to all we do at Uki Public School, because in order to succeed at school, students need to feel known, valued and cared for. Amongst many wellbeing initiatives at the school, we offer two proactive programs which aim to equip students with skills and strategies to cope with life's challenging moments and emotions. Mr Southgate implements the *Rock and Water* program with the boys, and Chloe takes the girls for *Girls' Group* once a week. Last term, all students in Years 3 and 4



participated in the program, and this term it is Year 5's turn. Students are learning about ways they might feel in different situations, and how to negotiate them in a healthy, strong and positive way.



### REMINDER - EXCELLENCE IN SCHOOL CUSTOMER SERVICE 360 REFLECTION TOOL

If you agreed to take part in this survey, this is a reminder that the closing date is today - Tuesday 18 September. We really value your feedback, so if you haven't yet completed it, please check your emails for the survey and let us know your thoughts before the survey closes! Thank you to all who have participated in this important initiative.

### INTENSIVE SWIMMING PROGRAM

Students are having great fun as they develop water confidence and essential swimming skills in their intensive program, and the teachers are reporting fantastic progress every day. Well done, swimmers! Thanks to Mrs Kendrick, Mrs O'Regan, Anna, Chloe and Tara for accompanying the children each day.



### PUBLIC SPEAKING SUCCESS

Congratulations to Keishan, Annika and Laverni who represented Uki Public School at the Far North Coast Public Speaking Finals last week. The children were excellent ambassadors in this demanding competition, keeping the adjudicators and audience entertained with interesting content, and speaking with great clarity, confidence and flair. Special accolades go to Keishan and Laverni, who both won their sections of the Finals. This is an amazing outcome for Uki PS, made more thrilling by the fact that Keishan and Laverni are brother and sister! I'd love to be a fly on the wall at their family dinners...there must be some very accomplished story-telling happening every night! Well done to all!



*Rachel Watkins* - Principal

### TEDDY BEARS' PICNIC Thursday 20 September



The Teddy Bears' Picnic is this Thursday from 9.30am to 11.45am. Don't forget to RSVP at the office.

## SCHOOL PRIDE

How exciting it has been to witness and hear of the amazing achievements of our school and our talented students this term. Our P&C are always blown away by the courage, determination and incredible talent of each child at this school and feel tremendously blessed by the opportunities available for our kids. Congratulations to everyone involved in 'Spotlight on Uki'. A fantastic night of entertainment and a great showcase of our school. Thank you to Vikki Armour and to all of the teachers and support staff who work tirelessly with the students to produce an incredible show and to the kids – you were amazing! Thank you to everyone who supported our P&C raffle at the musical and to Uki Supermarket who so generously donated all of the fruit and veg trays for the raffle. \$242 was made from this raffle and will go towards school resources.

Congratulations to all of the students who have represented Uki at recent events – Congratulations to Kayla and Ryan for making the Far North Coast Athletics trials and again to Ryan who competed in the North Coast Athletics. What an amazing achievement! Well done. Congratulations to Olivia, Luca, Owen and Ruben for making it to the Regional Spelling Bee and for representing our school with such pride. It takes a lot of courage to get up in front of everyone and spell such tricky words – Well done and congratulations for getting through so many rounds. Go Uki! Congratulations finally to our public speakers – to Keishan, Annika and Lavarni. How incredibly talented you all are. Well done to Annika for receiving an Encouragement Award (no easy feat) and to Keishan and Lavarni who took out first place in their respective category. Awesome job by all!

## EPIC SKATE FUNDRAISER

Thank you to everyone who supported the Epic Skate Fundraiser on Friday night and to Justine Carragher for organising the event. It was a great night of fun and laughs for kids and adults alike and raised \$155 towards our school.

## P&C MAJOR RAFFLE – WHITSUNDAYS HOLIDAY!!

Tickets for the P&C Major Raffle for 2018 were sent home last week. What an awesome opportunity to win a holiday to the Whitsundays. Thanks to the generosity of Pam Ashdown and Peter Hansen (Archie & Will's family), we are delighted to be able to raffle 7 nights accommodation for up to 4 people in a 1 bedroom apartment at Mango House Resort in Airlie Beach plus a \$250 webjet voucher donated by Stillman Plumbing (total prize value \$1150). Tickets will be selling for \$2 each or 3 for \$5. Sold or unsold tickets and money should be returned to the school office by Wednesday, 12 December 2018. Additional ticket books are available at the office. The raffle will be drawn at the Presentation Day at the end of the year so there will be plenty of time to sell tickets.

## HIP HOP & HAPKIDO CLASSES AT OOSH

Hip hop and Hapkido classes are available for students on Wednesdays and Fridays respectively until the end of term. These classes have been made available thanks to a Tweed Shire Council grant as part of our OOSH Active and Healthy Kids Program. This allows us to provide these classes at no additional charge to your existing OOSH fee and gives students an opportunity to try something new. After child care subsidies, OOSH fees can be as low as \$4, depending on family income, and includes afternoon tea plus all activities.

Interested students need to book with Peta in our OOSH room or at the office. If you've never tried OOSH before your first session is FREE! Apologies for the late cancellation of hip hop class last week. This was unforeseen by our teacher and hence no notice was able to be given to families. Classes will resume this week. Check out the photos from recent classes. Lots of fun!



Selina Stillman - P&C President

## CANTEEN NEWS

Just wanted to assure parents and students that the swimming scheme does not affect the lunch orders at all. The swimmers still have the opportunity to purchase their recess food and they will receive their lunch orders in the class boxes when they return.

We still only have about a third of the school body signed up to online ordering, please give it a chance. We've had such wonderful feedback already. You can sign up for free from the website or you can download the free app.

Only 4 more canteen days of term, some foods may become unavailable as we run stock low, students will be offered alternatives.

\* APPLE PIES ARE OUT OF STOCK\*

**Danni Woods - Canteen Coordinator**

## CANTEEN ROSTER

Term 3	
Wed 19 Sept	Tereasa & Alonna
Fri 21 Sept	Ally & Danni
Wed 26 Sept	Edwina & Danni
Fri 28 Sept	Ness & Danni



Camp medical notes and payment for the Year 4-6 excursion to Brisbane are due **THIS FRIDAY 21 September**.

### Code Club at Uki Public School

Learning to code is an important step to understand how technology works. Coding is set to become a key skill in many industries in future beyond software development. Research shows that it activates the same parts of the brain as learning another language, strengthening problem solving, logical thinking and persistence.

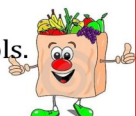
Code Club is available for all students, encouraging them to follow procedures, play with coding or go through a structured program.

Code Club commenced on Monday 17 September, running during Play Break in 5/6T's room.



Mr Andy Williams - Classroom Teacher

The Murwillumbah Show Society invites all school children to take part in the Pavilion displays and competitions. There are special sections for schools.



**MURWILLUMBAH SHOW**  
Friday 2nd November 2018 &  
Saturday 3rd November 2018

1. Farm Produce
2. Fruit & Vegetables
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### COMING UP... Calendar

	Week 9	
17-21 Sept	Mon-Fri	Intensive Swimming continues
20 Sept	Thur	Teddy Bears Picnic (Pre Schools)
21 Sept	Fri	<b>Yr 4-6 Camp payments due</b>
	Week 10	
27 Sept	Thur	Art Post Exhibition
TERM 4		
	Week 2	
22 Oct	Mon	P&C meeting
24-26 Oct	Wed-Fri	4/5/6 Excursion



### THANKS EVERYONE!

We have taken delivery our order of sporting items which we received thanks to the collection of Coles Sports for Schools Vouchers.

Thank you so much to everyone who contributed, the kids are going to develop some great skills and have lots of fun playing with this new equipment. Many thanks to Coles Supermarkets for the donation.



### Murwillumbah Rural Fire Service



Activities and  
Sausage sizzle

**Open Day**  
**Saturday 22nd**  
**September**

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