

NEWSLETTER

TERM 2 WEEK 1: TUESDAY 30 APRIL 2019

Welcome back

I'd like to extend a very warm welcome to Term 2 for all our students and families. I trust that everyone had an enjoyable and refreshing break, and that our hard-working students have come back ready to participate in all the learning activities we have planned for this term.

In a few weeks, students in Years 3 and 5 will complete the NAPLAN assessments. With the exception of Year 3 writing, all assessments this year will be done online. The online platform will deliver some significant improvements to NAPLAN testing. Firstly, schools will receive results and analysis much sooner than they have in the past, which will enable us to target learning needs and concepts much earlier in the year. And secondly, online assessments will enable the tests to be differentiated for each student. This means that each student will be more engaged in the test, and therefore more likely to persevere. Results will therefore more likely align with each student's true ability. All students in Years 3 and 5 have had the opportunity to practice with the online environment, and will be confident and ready to go in Week 3.

Also, this term will see the start of our Peer Support Groups. There is plenty of research to support the idea that a positive school culture creates better academic, social, emotional and mental outcomes for young people now and in the future. Year 6 students have been trained in how to lead the small Peer Groups, and we're all excited to be rolling out this initiative, which has operated very successfully in hundreds of schools over many years.

A busy end to Term 1!

The last week of Term 1 saw lots of exciting activities at Uki! Our school **Cross Country Carnival** went ahead with an amazing level of participation - all our morning training sessions really paid off as students tried their very hardest to run well, and also displayed great sportsmanship. Thank you to Mr Southgate for planning and organising the carnival and making sure everyone was super fit. Congratulations to the students who qualified to represent Uki at the District Cross Country Carnival on May 17 and who have received a permission note today.

There's nothing cuter than an **Easter Hat Parade** which was held on the last Thursday of the term. The photos say it all!



Our **ANZAC service** was led by School Captains Madelyn and Eva. All students responded very respectfully to the solemn occasion, and teachers were very proud indeed of everyone. Maddy, Eva, Gabi and Chelsea K also represented the school proudly at the dawn service held at the Uki Cenotaph on ANZAC Day.



The term finished with a performance for all students by Brainstorm Productions. Their entertaining show entitled, 'The Human Race' addressed diversity, inclusion, bullying, resilience and e-safety. This event supported our Term 1 focus on anti-bullying strategies. The message of the show was supported by our participation in the 'National Day of Action Against Bullying and Violence' which conveys a strong message of 'zero tolerance' for any form of bullying or violence. Each student received a wristband to show their support of this important message. Here's what Charlie and Annika thought of 'The Human Race':

I thought the performance was amazing. It was funny and very educational. It was good to be reminded that it's not OK to cheat or bully people. Charlie

It was good. I liked how they actually got the kids and Mrs Crump to come out and help. I also liked how it was kind of funny but educational as well. Annika

Rachel Watkins - Principal



SCHOOL CROSS COUNTRY CARNIVAL REPORT

On the last Wednesday of Term 1 we held our Cross Country Carnival in the school grounds. Despite the rain and wet weather all of the students from K-6 ran the course in their house colours, gaining house points for their teams. The winning house team was Mountain. Congratulations to everyone who attended and participated in the Cross Country. A big thank you to all the parents that attended and helped with the Cross Country.

There have been 40 students selected to represent Uki Public School at the Murwillumbah District Cross Country Carnival on the Friday the 17 May 2019 at Murwillumbah. A yellow permission note has been handed out to those who qualified today and will need to be returned to the office by Wednesday 8 May.

Results: First, Second and Third Places

Girls

5 Years - Radha, Vimmy, Jazmyn

6 Years - Audrey, Eleanor, Zara

7 Years - Rose, Codi, Summah

8 Years - Casey, Sari, Ariel

9 Years - Frankie, Ruby Caitlyn

10 Years - Eva, Olivia, Pollyanna

11 Years - Natalia, Chloe, Sylvie

12/13 Years - Hannah, Maddy, Eva

Boys

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Sol, Leonardo, Oliver
Dom, Dasco, Jack
Soren, William, Jarrah
Zavier, Ben F, Isaiah
Ben, Ollie, Cooper R
Alfie, Maverick, Leo
Seth, Connor Archer

Dylan Southgate

Cross Country Coordinator



Words of the Week

K-2: Entertaining - 'entertaining' means very enjoyable or fun

3-6: Persevere - 'persevere' means to keep going, even when things are difficult or long

REQUEST FOR SECOND HAND UNIFORMS

The uniform shop is currently experiencing a shortage of small school uniforms. If you happen to have any smaller sized items at home that you are no longer using your donation of these clothes would be greatly appreciated.

LIBRARY NEWS

Scholastic Book Fair is coming!

Our Term 2 Book Fair will be available from Wednesday 8 May until Tuesday 14 May in the school library.

Opening hours for book sales will be before school from 8:30-8:55am and again after school from 2.50-3.30pm daily. Children will come home with a wish list from Tuesday 7 May.

Contact Mrs Spiller for more information.

COMING UP... Term 2 Calendar

Week 2

Mon	6 May	P&C Meeting
Mon	6 May	District Touch Football Trials
Wed-Fri	8-10 May	Book Fair in Library
Wed	8 May	District Cross Country Notes due
Thurs-Fri	9-10 May	Mothers Day Stall (TBC)
Fri	10 May	GRIP Leadership (Yr 6 Leaders)

Week 3

Mon-Wed	8-14 May	Book Fair in Library
Fri	17 May	District Cross Country
Wed-Fri	14-16 May	NAPLAN Years 3 and 5

Community Notices

AFTER SCHOOL YOUTH ACTIVITY GROUP

FREE



Activities Include:

- Ø Sharing Culture
- Ø Cooking
- Ø DJ Skills
- Ø Hip Hop & Rap
- Ø Fitness Fun
- Ø Drumbeat
- Ø Craft
- Ø Art
- Ø Games

WHEN:
MONDAYS & THURSDAYS
3.30PM - 5.30PM
DURING SCHOOL TERM FOR 10-18 YEAR OLDS

WHERE:
MURWILLUMBAH YOUTH CENTRE KNOX PARK

Murwillumbah Youth Centre: Contact Karen Bradley

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OOSH VOUCHER

FRIENDS ARE FREE ON FRIDAYS

AT THE UKI KIDS CLUB:



At the Uki Kids Club: OOSH this term you can bring your friend to OOSH for free! Simply decide who you want to bring, ask their parents, book them in at the school office and then come and join in the fun!

This is valid for term 1 & 2 2019 only. Children must be enrolled at OOSH. New enrolment is available on the day. For more information contact Natascha Wemick 02 6679 5024

Canteen Roster

Term 2 2019

Week	Day/Date	Volunteers	
1	Wed 1 May	Edwina	Emma
	Fri 3 May	Alonna, Kellie and Rosie	
2	Wed 8 May	Rhiannon	Helper Needed
	Fri 10 May	Helpers Needed	
3	Wed 15 May	Camille	Kim
	Fri 17 May	Danni	Ellie
4	Wed 22 May	Ness	Helper Needed
	Fri 24 May	Helpers Needed	
5	Wed 29 May	Camille	Helper Needed
	Fri 31 May	Helpers Needed	
6	Wed 5 Jun	Edwina	Emma
	Fri 7 Jun	Alonna, Kellie Rosie	
7	Wed 12 Jun	Kim	Rhiannon
	Fri 14 Jun	Ellie	Helper Needed
8	Wed 19 Jun	Camille	Helper Needed
	Fri 21 Jun	Danni	Kylie



EASTER RAFFLE

Thank you to everyone for the generous donations for our Library fundraiser Easter Raffle. Congratulations to the winners. The Raffle raised \$277 for new library books. Jo Spiller, Librarian





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