

NEWSLETTER

TERM 2 WEEK 2: TUESDAY 7 MAY 2019

Peer Support Groups Launched at Uki!

Yesterday, all Year 6 students stepped into the role of Peer Support Group leaders as we launched our Peer Support Groups for this year. Peer Support Groups are a highly effective way to promote and maintain a positive school culture and climate by having Year 6 students teach social skills to their peers. The program has been running successfully in Australia and overseas for many years, with a great deal of research to support its effectiveness.



Opportunity Classes

The Department of Education provides for the education of academically gifted students in Years 5 and 6 through the provision of Opportunity (OC) Classes. Last week, a note went home to all students in Year 4 with information about OC classes for Year 5 2020. If you would like your child to sit the OC assessment, you need to apply online by 17 May 2019. Please refer to the note for detailed information about how to do this. If you would like more information about OC classes, please contact me via the school office.

Positive Parenting

Following a very successful first session last term, Steve from The Family Centre is offering a second session on Thursday 16 May from 4 - 6 pm. The discussion is informal and geared towards answering any questions you may have about parenting. The session is free, light refreshments will be provided and children can be looked after by teachers.

Punctuality is important

Being on time for school is really important for several reasons. You may think that your child is only missing a few minutes but a student who is 10 minutes late every day will miss over 30 hours of teaching during the year. Arriving late at school can be very disruptive for your child because it can make them feel awkward, especially if the lesson has to stop for them to enter. It causes unnecessary stress and discomfort that can affect them emotionally and socially. In the morning, students are settling down and getting ready to learn, finding out what is going to happen during the day. Learning to be punctual is also an important life skill that is highly valued in workplaces. If children are to fully benefit from the many learning opportunities on offer at Uki, being on time is vital. I urge you to have your children at school between 8:25 am and 8:55 am every day so that they are feeling confident as the school day starts.

NAPLAN online

From 14 May to 24 May, our school will participate in NAPLAN Online. This is our first year of participation in NAPLAN online testing. One of the main features of the NAPLAN online format is that it is a tailored (or adaptive) test. The tailored test provides a more precise assessment of your child's performance in the areas of reading, language conventions (grammar, spelling and punctuation) and numeracy by adapting to responses. As your child progresses through the test, questions may be easier or more difficult, to better assess his or her ability. Your child should not be concerned if he or she finds the questions more difficult than expected – the pathway may be more challenging. Many of the same questions appear in both paper and online tests, but not every student doing the online test will be answering the same questions in the same order. Your child's NAPLAN results and scores are based on the number and complexity of questions he or she has answered correctly. You can check out the NAPLAN public demonstration site at; <https://www.nap.edu.au/online-assessment/public-demonstration-site>

If you have any further questions about NAPLAN online, please contact me via the school office.

Creative Arts Camp

The popular Creative Arts Camp is happening again this year from 11 to 16 August. Look out for an expression of interest note which is coming home today for students in Years 4 - 6. If you wish to apply, please ask for a form at the office or download one from the School Stream application.

Rachel Watkins - Principal

LIBRARY NEWS

Scholastic Book Fair opens tomorrow!

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.

Canteen Roster

Term 2 2019

Week	Day/Date	Volunteers	
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

REMINDER!

PLEASE RETURN ALL MOTHERS DAY RAFFLE TICKETS TO SCHOOL. RAFFLE DRAWN THIS FRIDAY IN ASSEMBLY.

P&C NEWS

G'day Uki Public School,

Mothers' Day Stall

This Sunday is Mothers' Day. We thank all of our wonderful Uki PS mothers, grandmothers and carers for the amazing jobs you do and the incredible support that you provide to our school. We are again offering students the opportunity to purchase a small gift for their loved ones at our Mothers' Day Stall this Thursday 9th May from 9am to 11am and this Friday 10th May following assembly. Students may spend up to \$10 with gifts available from \$2.

Thank you to our P&C mums who have offered to operate the stall. If anyone else is interested in assisting (maybe some dads, so the kids don't have to buy their Mothers Day gifts from their mothers..) please come along to lend a hand.

Mother's Day Raffle

The Mother's Day raffle will be drawn during assembly this Friday. If you would like to purchase more tickets they can be picked up from the office. Tickets should be returned by Thursday morning. First Prize is 1 nights accommodation for 2 guests at Mavis' Kitchen plus a 3 course lunch or dinner.

Election day BBQ - Saturday 18th of May

Volunteers Needed!! BBQ will start at 7.30am and run until 12pm. Volunteers will be needed to Set up BBQ, Gazebo, Tables and to cook and sell sausages, drinks, cakes and slices, raffle tickets/merchandise etc. Please put your name down on the roster and return it to the office.

Thanks for your Support,

Andrew Tiffen, P&C President



VOLUNTEERS NEEDED: ELECTION DAY BBQ & CAKE STALL ON 18 MAY



Uki Public School is an official polling place for the **Federal Election on Saturday 18 May**.

This provides a great opportunity for the P&C to run a fundraising BBQ, so we are looking for volunteers to help out! Set up will start at 7.30am and we will aim to finish up by 12pm.

Volunteers can choose a 1.5hr shift. If you are able to help, please fill out the form below and return it to the school by Wednesday 15 May. We will also be

selling baked goods so any donation of cakes, slices, biscuits etc., would be greatly appreciated. Baked goods can be dropped off at the school canteen on Friday 17 May or at the stall on Saturday morning. Goods must have an ingredients list with them thanks.



Name:	I can help from	(Tick a timeslot)
Phone Number:	7:30 am - 9:00 am	
I would prefer to: <input type="checkbox"/> Cook the BBQ <input type="checkbox"/> Serve Customers	9:00 am - 10:30 am	
<input type="checkbox"/> I can donate some baked goods	10:30 am - 12:00 pm	

CHALLENGE CORNER

Jenny is standing in a line with her friends. There are two more friends standing ahead of her in the line than there are behind her. There are three times as many of her friends in the line altogether [do not count Jenny] as there are behind her.

How many friends are ahead of Jenny in the line?

*See Mrs Phillips if you think you know the answer!

Words of the Week

K-2: peers - 'peers' means **people who are at the same level as each other** (at school, your peers are other students) **"I like playing with my peers at school."**

3-6: precise - 'precise' means **exact, accurate, correct.** **"His line drawings are very precise."**



Our assembly awards winners for Term 2, Week 1. Congratulations everybody.

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 Wernick 02 6679 5024

COMING UP . . . Term 2 Calendar

Week 2

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
Thurs	16 May	Positive Parenting 4-6pm
Fri	17 May	District Cross Country
Wed-Fri	14-16 May	NAPLAN Years 3 and 5

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**BEFORE AND AFTER
SCHOOL CARE
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Before School 6:45-8:45AM
After School 2:50-6:00PM

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