

NEWSLETTER

TERM 2 WEEK 6: TUESDAY 4 JUNE 2019

CROSS COUNTRY SUCCESS

Congratulations to Olly, Alfie and Eva who represented Uki at the Far North Coast Cross Country Carnival last week. Competing against a large number of runners in each age category, Olly came 24th, Alfie was 26th and Eva gained a personal best placing at 14th. Well done to all, and thank you for being such wonderful ambassadors for our school!



HIGH SCHOOL TRANSITION - AN IMPORTANT WELLBEING INITIATIVE

Over recent years, a great deal of thought and research has gone into improving the experience of young people as they move from primary to high school. One of the initiatives that has had a very significant impact has been transition days, where Year 6 students spend time at a high school. This helps to 'demystify' the high school environment, so that the beginning of Year 7 is familiar, positive and stress-free. Last week, our Year 6 students attended Murwillumbah High School for their second transition day of the year. Here's what Arika and Zach in Year 6 thought of their 'Sizzling Sports' day:

We loved going to the high school and we loved playing the high school games. It's made high school sports much easier to understand. We met lots of nice people and are excited to maybe see them again next year. Overall it was a great experience.



'LEARNING SPRINTS' IN ALL CLASSES

The idea of a 'learning sprint' is that all students across the school are focused on one learning objective for a short amount of time each day, for a few weeks. In Term 4 last year, we all participated in a 'learning sprint' on punctuation. Right now, we're all involved in a 'learning sprint' to improve our understanding of sentence structure, so that we can more confidently use a variety of sentence constructions, including simple, compound and complex sentences. Here is an example of the difference between these three types of sentences:

Simple: I liked the movie.

Compound: I liked the movie because the animation was excellent.

Complex: Because the animation was excellent, I liked the movie more than any of the others in the series.



A POSITIVE MINDSET PRESENTATION FROM 5/6W

At assembly last week, students in 5/6W reminded everyone of the power of having a growth mindset for learning. Changing negative thoughts ("I can't do it!") into positive thoughts ("I'll give it a go!") can make all the difference to learning outcomes. Thank you, 5/6W for this timely reminder!



TO HELP YOUR CHILD WITH SPELLING

Spelling is one of those tricky areas, isn't it? Sometimes it seems as though some people are just born being able to spell.....and others are not! I'll be running an information session for parents and carers so you can find out more about how children learn to spell, and what you can do to help at home. The session will be on Wednesday 19 June 5:30pm – 6:30pm.

Rachel Watkins, Principal



Uki Public School Edible Gardens

We had our first meeting on Wednesday afternoon to discuss our plan for edible gardens at Uki, attended by a committed and passionate group of gardeners! Thank you to those attendees. Our first action point is to reconfigure and prepare the current vegetable growing space so that we can get some veggies in the ground before the garden competition in August.

Therefore, a working bee has been scheduled for Saturday 22 June from 1-4pm. We need as many hands on deck as we can to make a strong start. I will be hiring a rotary hoe to dig over the ground beds and we will source plenty of mulch to protect the prepared soil. Children, families and friends are welcome. We would recommend gloves for all participants - bring your own if you have them, we will have spares if required.

Andy Williams , 5/6W Classroom Teacher

BEFORE SCHOOL CARE – USE IT OR LOSE IT!

Our P&C OOSH Subcommittee recently reviewed the use of our before school care service against the costs of providing it. We require an average of 5 students per session to remain viable and current levels are well below this. We understand that this is an important service for our families hence will continue to keep the service open for the remainder of this term, however if our numbers do not increase we will need to cancel this service next term. As most of you will be aware, the P&C worked hard last year to establish a before school care service at our school. This followed a demand from parents and caregivers within our community. The before school care service operates from 6:30am to 8:30am in accordance with daily demands. The service provides a healthy breakfast and fun activities for students and is operated by our highly qualified OOSH Coordinators. The service is provided at a minimal cost and is further eligible for the Child Care Subsidy. **If you have ever considered before school care, now is the time to try it out. First session is free! Please contact the school office or email ukioosh@gmail.com.**

We will review the before school care position at the end of the term and report on the outcome.

Have your say - Uki Public School Before and After School Care

Come along to a workshop and free BBQ at our school on Tuesday 11 June at 5:30pm to share your ideas and vision for our before and after school care services. All existing OOSH families and anyone else keen to contribute and/or learn about the service are invited. Please help us to maintain and enhance this important service.



REMINDERS:

Band Fees notes have gone home. Note to be signed and returned with payment by Friday 14 June.

Aboriginal Culture Excursion notes were due yesterday.

WORDS OF THE WEEK

K-2: familiar

Familiar means known to a person. *My teacher's face is very familiar to me.*

3-6: ambassador

Ambassador means a person who represents a country or an organisation. *Every student who goes on an excursion is an ambassador for the school.*

COMING UP... Term 2 Calendar

Week 6

Wed	5 June	Dance practice 9am
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Week 7

Mon	10 June	PUBLIC HOLIDAY (Queens B'Day)
Tues	11 June	Year 5/6 to Fingal PS NAIDOC activity: Christine Anu
Wed	12 June	Dance practice 9am
SATURDAY	15 June	UKI BALL (P&C activity)

Week 8

Mon	17 June	125th Anniversary meeting
Wed	19 June	Parent Info Session - Spelling
SATURDAY	22 June	Edible Garden Working Bee

SESSION	FEE per session	Cost with CCS (minimum 50%)	Cost with CCS (maximum 85% subsidy)
Before School Care	\$17.00	\$8.50	\$2.55
	casual		
	\$15.00	\$7.50	\$2.25
	permanent		
After School Care	\$28.00	\$14.00	\$4.20
	casual		
	\$24.50	\$12.25	\$3.68
	permanent		

Thank you

Uki P&C OOSH Subcommittee

DON'T FORGET..

The school Uniform Shop is open on Wednesday mornings from 9-10am. Order forms can be picked up from the school office anytime.

Second hand uniform donations would also be very welcome.

Year 6 Project Learning



Gabi and Latoya are trying to sponsor a World Vision child for their project learning this term. They are coming up with ways to earn \$50 a month for two months.

As one of their activities they are asking for 10c return and earn plastic bottles, cans etc. They would be grateful for any donations. There will be a cardboard box out the front of the office, so you can drop off donations easily. Kids can bring in plastic bottles and cans too, but please not glass bottles for safety reasons.

Another idea they have come up with is a small change jar at the office for any small donations to their cause. The money raised will help give five people clean water, access to health care and hygiene lessons for **one whole year**.

CHALLENGE CORNER

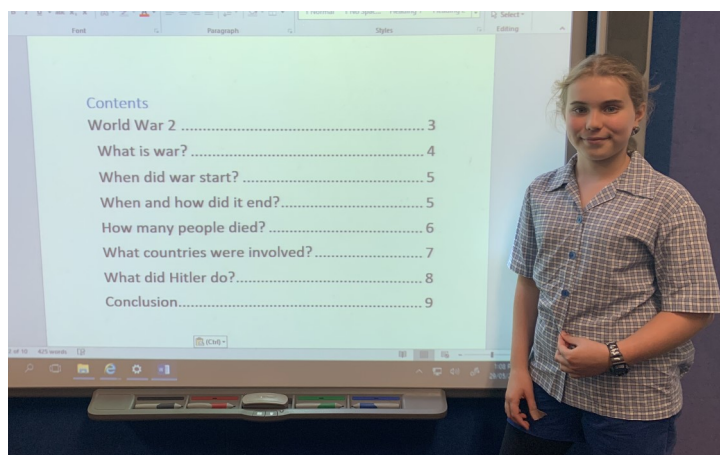
There is an ancient invention that allows people to see through walls. What is it?
Mrs Phillips has all the answers!



Annual Uki Ball

Saturday 15th June 2019

Uki Hall from 8pm.

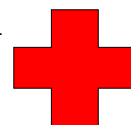


Students in Years 5 and 6 have been honing their research skills and presenting (in their own words!) information in well-formatted reports. Here's Leah displaying her contents page....very professional!

Canteen Roster - Term 2

Week	Day/Date	Volunteers	
6	Wed 29 May	Edwina	Emma
	Fri 31 May	Alonna, Kellie & Rosie	
7	Wed 5 Jun	Kim	Rhiannon
	Fri 7 June	Ellie	Helper Needed
8	Wed 12 Jun	Camille	Helper Needed
	Fri 14 Jun	Danni	Kylie
9	Wed 26 Jun	Ness	Helper Needed
	Fri 28 Jun	Helpers Needed	
10	Wed 3 Jul	Edwina	Emma
	Fri 5 Jul	Alonna, Kellie & Rosie	

Uki branch of Australian Red Cross Winter Appeal Friday 7 June 2019



The Uki Red Cross Winter Appeal 2019 will be held on Friday June 7. A street stall and Morning Tea will start at 9am and will include a giant raffle draw. Please note, there will not be a luncheon served this year. Donations of cash, produce, cakes, pickles and jams, craft work or any saleable goods will be gratefully accepted. Goods may be left with Joy Armour (02 66795297) Pauline Carroll (0266795176) or brought in on the day.



Dental Health Check-up Feedback

Northern NSW Local Health District Oral Health Service conducted 2 oral health promotion sessions to Kinder and Year 2 classes. The children were all given a toothbrush to take home. We aim for this to stimulate discussion and establish good oral health habits at home.

We conducted **31** dental assessments.

- 17 children were found to require follow up dental treatment.
- Any child under the age of 18 is able to access free dental services, eligibility is Medicare Card only.
- Dental Clinics in Northern NSW Local Health District are located in Tweed Heads, Pottsville, Byron Bay, Ballina, Goonellabah, Nimbin, Casino, Coraki, Grafton and Yamba.

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UKI OOSH

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

**BEFORE AND AFTER
SCHOOL CARE
UKI PUBLIC SCHOOL**

Before School 6:45-8:45AM
After School 2:50-6:00PM

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