

NEWSLETTER

TERM 2 WEEK 1: TUESDAY 30 APRIL 2024

WELCOME BACK TO TERM 2

It's wonderful to be back at school and to see all our children again after the holidays. I took some leave towards the end of Term 1 and would like to sincerely thank Mrs Courtenay Ciric for the excellent job she did as Relieving Principal in my absence. Uki Public School is very fortunate to have such a strong team of experienced teachers who support each other and work together to look after all our kids and community. I'm very grateful to each and every one of them who contribute so much to this great school – and especially to Mrs Ciric for her outstanding leadership.

UPDATE ON WAITING TREE

Our beloved Waiting Tree is about to have a makeover! Celebrated chainsaw artist Matty G will soon start to transform the remaining stump into a beautiful sculpture of an echidna. This Saturday morning at about 7:30, he'll start to work and then will continue every morning for about a week until the sculpture is finished. We're very excited about the project, so if you're in the village on Saturday morning, stop by to have a look.

STAFF DEVELOPMENT DAYS

Ever wondered what do teachers do on those pupil-free days at the beginning of every term? Yesterday, teachers spent a productive day learning more about how to teach English and maths using the new curriculum documents. Good teaching leads to better student outcomes, so it was a very valuable day. We also hosted a professional learning session for Student Learning Support Officers (formerly referred to as teachers' aides) from neighbouring schools, who received additional training in many aspects of their important roles in a school.

Rachel Watkins
 Principal

ANZAC COMMEMORATION 2024

We had a lovely ANZAC Commemoration assembly at school in the last week of Term 1. Thankyou Postmaster Gary for playing *The Last Post* for us again this year. Thank you also to Chey Nijam who took time to come to school prior to the assembly to make our beautiful wreath with School Captains Avril and Xavier. The wreath was then moved to the Uki Village cenotaph.



The Captains performed duties again for the Uki Village ANZAC Dawn Service during the holidays. It was great to see some familiar faces that morning.

Courtenay Ciric,
 Assistant Principal



LINK TO SCHOOL BYTES CALENDAR

https://online.schoolbytes.education/calendar_page/938/4445/417e1028-bd54-4a9f-85ad-b12a85b51ba4

2024 TERM 2 CALENDAR

Week 1

Tues	30 April	Students commence Term 2
Fri	3 May	PSSA District Touch Football Trials

Week 2

Mon	6 May	P&C Meeting 6pm
Wed	8 May	PSSA District Soccer Trials
Thurs	9 May	P&C Mothers Day Stall

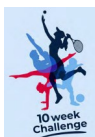
Week 3

Fri	17 May	PSSA Dist Cross Country - Nullum St
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PLEASE BE AWARE THERE IS NO CANTEEN THIS FRIDAY

10 WEEK CHALLENGE



We have registered to participate in the NSW Premier's Sporting Challenge!! Many of our older students will remember taking part in 2022. This year, Uki Public School staff will be participating too! The purpose of the Challenge is to encourage students and staff to participate in sport and physical activity to lead a healthy lifestyle.

Over a ten-week period (starting during Term 2), our school will be monitoring physical activity levels during class time, at recess and lunch, as well as during sport lessons. Physical activity outside school hours will also count towards the Challenge award (Diamond, Gold, Silver or Bronze, signed by the Premier of New South Wales).

All students and staff will receive a logbook shortly, as well as further instructions, so they can keep a tally of their physical activity over the 10 weeks.

Physical activity is valued for its physical, social and emotional benefits. It also helps young people to develop communication skills, confidence and resilience. If you would like to discuss any aspect of the Challenge, please contact Miss Karen Heap (via the school office)

SRC PYJAMA DAY



Thank you to the SRC for organizing 'Pyjama Day' last term and thank you to all our families for your support and donations. We raised \$90.00 for Friends of the Pound.



PSSA SPORTING TRIALS AND GALA DAYS

In the next couple of weeks Uki PS will have a select group of students representing the school at multiple sporting trials and gala days. Boys and Girls teams will be both playing in the PSSA state knockout competitions for touch football and a combined team for soccer. This week a select group of students will be trialling for the FNC touch teams. In the following weeks another select group of students will be trialling for the FNC soccer teams. After a successful school cross country carnival last term students will be representing Uki PS at the next level on the 17th May.

Important dates:

Touch trials- Friday 3rd May

Soccer trials- Wednesday 8th May

Soccer Gala day- 21st May

Touch Gala Day- Monday 3rd June

Dylan Southgate, Sports Coordinator



UKI P&C ASSOCIATION MOTHERS DAY STALL

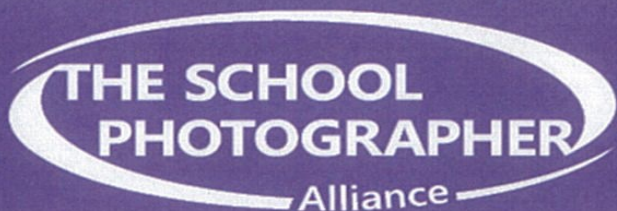
Our Mother's Day stall will be open again on Thursday, the 9th May.

Gifts from \$5 to \$15 will be available for students to buy for their mums and carers.

Thanks to our volunteers for helping stock and staff the stall. It's great for our kids to have the opportunity to buy something for their loved ones.

Many thanks

Andrea de Smidt, P&C President



UKI PUBLIC SCHOOL 2024 SPECIAL PHOTOS

Please drop in to the school office if your child had a special group photo taken on school photo day and you would like to view the album before ordering online. Photos may also be viewed online on The School Photographer's website.

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P&C NEWS

P&C Pub Raffle

This Friday 3 May 6-8pm

The Mount Warning Hotel. Volunteers needed!

Call Alonna if you can help - 0438 061 279

School Canteen

Our P&C is trying to fill the Fridays canteen roster so that our canteen can re-open this term but we need at least one more volunteer. Could this be you? If so, please call or text Andrea on the number below or leave a message at the school office.

There will be no canteen in week one (this Friday, the 3rd of May) and we will provide an update next week, hopefully to confirm our canteen will re-open from week 2 onwards.

Thank you to our current parent volunteers – Kellie, Jennie, Sandi, Jo and James, Vicki, Alonna, Kate, Debbie, Don and Cynthia – for their ongoing support.

Please help,

Andrea de Smidt, P&C President - 0405 734 728



Hospital services are moving

The new Tweed Valley Hospital at 771 Cudgen Road, Cudgen is opening to patients at 8am on Tuesday, 14 May 2024. On the same day the Tweed Valley Hospital opens to patients, The Tweed Hospital at Powell St, Tweed Heads, will close.

From 8am, Tuesday 14 May, anyone requiring emergency medical care should present to Tweed Valley Hospital. The Tweed Hospital will not be accepting new patients.

All inpatients at The Tweed Hospital at the time of closing will be transferred to the new hospital. This process is expected to take a full day, and is being coordinated in partnership with NSW Ambulance, NSW Police, Transport for NSW and Tweed Shire Council. Our hospital staff will liaise directly with affected patients and their families.

Some community health services will continue to be delivered at the Powell Street site in Tweed Heads. However, please note that there will be no emergency services or hospital inpatient services available at this location after Tuesday 14 May 2024.

Help us spread the word about the hospital move

It's important that everyone knows how to access public healthcare services in the region. We need your help in spreading the word.

Pop up a poster, add a banner to your Facebook page, share a social media post, and include an ad in your regular newsletters.

You can download some resources from our website :

www.tweedvalleyhospital.health.nsw.gov.au/opening-soon/resources

Regards

The Tweed Valley Hospital Project Team

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