

ULMARRA Public School NEWSLETTER

Term 1 Week 10

27th March 2023



Excellence Innovation
Opportunity Success

Important Dates

Mon -Frid	27-31	Parent Teacher Interviews
Tue	28/3	Canteen orders & money due
Tue	28/3	MNC Hockey Trials
Wed	29/3	MNC Boys & Girls Football
Thur	30/3	UPS Cross Country
Thur	30/3	Easter Hat Making
Frid	17/3	Canteen
Tue	4/4	SGHS Spots Day-Yr6
Wed	5/4	Small Schools Cross Country
Thur	6/4	Easter Hat Parade

Harmony Week

Harmony Week is about inclusiveness, respect and belonging for all Australians, regardless of cultural or linguistic background, united by a set of core Australian values.

Ulmarra Public Students participated in an afternoon of craft with the theme of 'Everyone Belongs'.

Students and staff also wore orange as traditionally orange signifies social communication and meaningful conversations.





POSITIVE BEHAVIOURS FOR LEARNING - PBL
OUR CORE VALUES ACROSS THE SCHOOL ARE TO PROMOTE THE SCHOOL COMMUNITY TO **BE SAFE, SUPPORTIVE AND RESPECTFUL.**

What is Happening in 5/6

With the Easter Bunny getting ready for the school holiday deliveries, it's a nice time to reflect on all the learning that has taken place during Term 1, 2023.

Students in years 5 and 6 settled into classroom routines quickly. They were explicitly taught the morning 'must do' literacy routines and expectations of reading and spelling activities. Several of these activities become independent work at each student's appropriate level. Comprehension has been and will continue to be a major focus area during reading activities. During spelling, we use the Soundwaves program across the school and students complete explicit tasks with the teacher before moving on to independent work.

Great improvements have been witnessed with persuasive writing this term. We have practiced planning our writing to ensure we have several solid arguments which we can elaborate on to persuade our readers. For those of you who made it to the 5/6 assembly item several weeks ago you would have witnessed how our persuasive text was turned into a brilliant drama skit to persuade Mrs Rhodes to purchase a slushy machine. The persuasiveness was on point, and we look forward to the Slushy machine debut at our cross-country event this Thursday. Number and place value, addition and subtraction, multiplication and division, area and perimeter are some of the concept

areas we have covered with mathematics this term. Though what does a week's study look like? Monday is often very theory based with explicit teaching of the concept being taught. The rest of the week we practice and reinforce the concept and Friday we often complete an investigation or play math games related to the concept of the week. Currently we are studying a history unit on 'Why were the Colonies founded?' Our key inquiry question being 'How did an Australian Colony develop over time and why?' Mrs Sacco has creatively integrated artworks into our Colonies study and we thank her for sharing her skills in this area. Currently we are a little behind schedule with this study and will be devoting time to catching up this week.

5/6 students are also enjoying ukulele lessons, fundamental movement skills lessons, focusing on the overarm throw. This has worked very well with our term sports of cricket and softball.

A well-earned holiday coming up for all students in 5/6.

Ulmarra Public School Cross Country

The UPS Cross Country will be held Thursday 30th March starting at 9:30am. Students are to wear appropriate attire, suitable for running and are encouraged to wear House colours.

Parents and families are welcome to attend the event to cheer on the students.

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Assembly 9th March 2023

AWARDS



Kindergarten Awards

Congratulations:

Ruby, Thomas, Felicity, Olivia and Monty



1/2 Awards

Congratulations:

Thomas, Tyler, Jypsee, Teddy, Oceana, Everett and Darby



3/4 Awards

Congratulations:

Allirah, Digby, Violet, Jackson, Austin, Calum, Oscar, Lucy, Eleanor and Cindy



5/6 Awards

Congratulations:

Amelia, Ridley, Mackenna, Henry, Alexander, Megan- Rose and Charlie



Principal Award

Congratulations:

Ashton, Arlo and Ida



Special Principal Awards

Congratulations:

Jackson, Abbie and Ida



Library Monitors

Congratulations:

Amelia, Violet, Grace and Ella

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CLARENCE PSSA

SOCCER



Congratulations to Lyall, Alex, Monty, Luna, Gretel and Ida who have been selected to represent Clarence District in the 2023 Mid North Coast PSSA Football Trials.

The trials will take place on Wednesday 29th March at Coffs Harbour.
We wish them luck!

The NSW school curriculum has undergone the first comprehensive reform in 30 years after an extensive curriculum review and consultation. Reform recommendations include the priority of building strong foundations for future learning with new English and Mathematics syllabuses for Kindergarten to Year 2. The reformed English and Mathematics K-2 syllabuses highlight foundational literacy and numeracy skills to develop competence in:

- oral language
- reading
- writing, and
- mathematics

Each Newsletter will include snippets on how as a parent or carer you can support your child in these important areas of learning.

Representing Whole Numbers Stage 1

Representing whole numbers focuses on:

- understanding place value and two-digit and three-digit numbers

- representing numbers to 1000 and partitioning (splitting) numbers to record quantities.

You can help your Year 1 and Year 2 child at home by:

- counting the odd and even numbers on houses as you walk around your neighbourhood. Walk in the opposite direction and count them backwards
- counting numbers by ones up to 120 while skipping rope or throwing a ball to each other. Change the starting point of counting, for example beginning to count from 93
- counting backwards by ones from different starting numbers
- practising partitioning (or splitting) two-digit and three-digit numbers into smaller units. For example, 396 can be broken into 3 hundreds, 9 tens and 6 ones
- using a hundreds chart to practise counting on and off the decade. For example, 10, 20, 30, 40, 50 ..., 3, 13, 23, 33, 43, 53 ...

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P&C News

Welcome to our new canteen helpers! Our canteen is a busy little place which we take great pride in. It generates a consistent income for our P&C.

If anyone is interested in helping out next term (Friday canteen, baking, shopping or collecting orders on a Tuesday) reach out to the P&C or to the school office - we would love to have you on board.

In the uniform shop we have library bags for sale for \$20.

We would like to put a call out for 2nd hand uniforms. If families have any uniforms they no longer need and would be happy to donate back to the P&C we would love to collect them.

You are able to use Hardship Funds and Back to School Vouchers to purchase school uniforms and library bags.

Friday night Meat Raffles are underway at the Ulmarra Hotel. We are lucky enough to run the raffles once per month. If you would like to help with the raffles you can join our roster or simply bring the family to the Pub for dinner on raffle night and support our P&C.

The P&C were recently approached by Mr Reardon and the Year 6 children with a special request - helping them to purchase a slushy machine. We were very happy to be able to contribute \$300 to the purchase of their machine.

Thank you to our volunteers who ran the recent Election Day BBQ and bake stall here at school. Also to our team of bakers!

Our Easter Raffle is underway with 5 prizes up for grabs. The major prize includes a beach trolley, wireless sport headphones, beach toys and a mega easter egg pack. The raffle will be drawn after the Easter Hat Parade on Thursday 6th April. Please see the office if you would like more ticket books to sell. Good luck!

