

ULMARRA Public School NEWSLETTER

Term 4 Week 10
16th December 2024



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Important Dates

Tues	17/12	Fun Day
Wed	18/12	Last day of school
Thur /Frid	19/12- 20/12	SDD
Frid- Wed	31/1- 5/2	SDD
Thur	6/2	Yrs K-6 Start
Frid	7/12	Ulmarra & Friends Swimming Carnival
Thur	13/2	Clarence Small Schools Swimming Carnival
Mon	17/2	NC Girls Cricket
Frid	21/2	Clarence District Swimming



YEAR 6 GRADUATION

Last week, we gathered to celebrate our incredible Year 6 students at their Farewell Ceremony, and what an unforgettable evening it was! Families, teachers, and friends came together to honour the achievements and growth of our students as they prepare to embark on their next adventure.

We wish our Year 6 students all the best as they transition to high school and beyond. Remember, you will always be a part of our school community!



"Graduation is not the end; it's the beginning"
- Senator Orrin Hatch

2025

Dear Families,

In our upcoming school year, 2025 at Ulmarra PS, we are excited to share our planned class structure, which will include Kindergarten, 1/2, 3/4, and 5/6. However, we currently find ourselves three enrolments short of being able to finalise this structure. We anticipate having more information when we return to school next year and are hopeful for new students to join our wonderful community. Our dedicated teaching staff for the year will include Mrs. Edwards, Mrs. Lawson, Ms. Cross, Mrs. de Jong, Mr. Reardon, and Mrs. Rhodes, with continued support from Miss Cowan, Mrs. Mc Swan, Mrs. Ensbey, and Mr. Wellard.

We encourage any new families to reach out over the holidays via email at ulmarra-p.school@det.nsw.edu.au for any inquiries.

Wishing all our families a Merry Christmas and a happy holiday!

Kind Regards,
Mrs Rhodes



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Assembly 5th December 2024

AWARDS



Kindergarten Awards

Congratulations:
Charlie, Halle and Oliver



1/2 Awards

Congratulations:
Josie, Teddy, Eden, Coen, Harper, Olivia, Mabel
and Everett



3/4 Awards

Congratulations:
Lucy, Jack, Jackson, William, Spencer, Remy,
Eleanor, Rothnak and Jack



5/6 Awards

Congratulations:
Baxter, Alexander, Abbie, Digby, Calum,
Spencer, Violet and Grace



Principal Awards

Congratulations:
Mackenna, Alexander, Charlie, Josie, Kaden, Ruby,
William, Zali, Leo and Charlie



Special Principal Awards

Congratulations:
Charlie, William, Leo, Ruby and Jesse

Our next assembly will take place in 2025

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Presentation Day



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PRESENTATION DAY AWARDS 2024

Grade	Academic Medal	Citizenship Medal	Certificate Academic	Certificate Consistent Effort or Most Improved
Kinder	Jesse	Pippi	Halle	Jameson
Year 1	Mabel	Ruby	Thomas	Monty
Year 2	Teddy		Leo	Everett Scown
Year 3	Spencer	Tyler	Remy	Darby Cox
Year 4	Ashton		Eleanor	Chester
Year 5	Katie	Henry	Calum	Violet
Year 6	Amelia		Alexander	Alex
Nancy Carlton Dux Shield and Medal		Ida	Gertrude Connor Citizenship Shield and Medal Donated by the Conner Family	Mackenna
Chris Crawford Shield & Trophy Donated by Crawford Family		Thomas	Des Avery Sportsperson Shield & Medal	Calum
Writers Award Donated by Kevin Hogan		Ashton	Attendance 2024 Donated by Short Family	Baxter
Fair Play Award		Mackenna	Consistent Effort Award	Charlie
Premier's Reading Challenge	Gold: Spencer, Violet Platinum: Zali, Alexander, Grace, Mackenna		Clarence Valley Conservatorium Music Award Shield & Trophy	Zali
Year 6 South Grafton High School Scholarship		Amelia		

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Congratulations to our school leaders for 2025 *Digby, Violet, Calum and Abbie*

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CANTEEN VOLUNTEERS NEEDED FOR 2025

THE HELP WE NEED:

- Full or part day volunteers
- Baking
- Shopping
- Flexischools Management

JOIN US

Friday's
Ulmarra Public School Canteen
9:30 am - 2:30 pm (Full day)
12:30 pm - 2:30 pm (Part day)

pandculmarrapublicschool@gmail.com or **Melissa Summers**
0419 618 699

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CANTEEN VOLUNTEERS

Dear Parent / Carer

Canteen volunteers are needed to assist in running the canteen in Term 1 2025. UPS Canteen operates once per week on a Friday and is run by the school P&C and volunteers. Volunteering your time once per term is greatly appreciated, and allows the canteen to remain open. There is a small play area for younger children if you need to bring little ones with you.

Not only do the children love Canteen, the profits from the Canteen go straight back into our school and is the most consistent income for the school P&C. These funds help pay for things like excursions, equipment and programs.

If you are able to help in the Canteen, could you please fill in the note below and return it to the school office. Prior to starting, Canteen volunteers are required to fill in the appropriate paperwork at the Ulmarra Public School office, have a current Working With Children Check, and will be asked to complete a short online Food Handling Safety course (Council requirement).

If you have any questions, please contact the Ulmarra Public School office, the P&C Email, or Melissa Summers (2024 Canteen Manager).

Regards
Ulmarra Public School
P&C Association

pandculmarrapublicschool@gmail.com or **Melissa Summers**
0419 618 699

Canteen Volunteers Term 1 2025

Name: _____
Phone: _____
Email: _____

I am able to help (please circle):

	FULL DAY	PART DAY	
DATES:	7/2/25 14/2/25 21/2/25 28/2/25	7/3/25 14/3/25 21/3/25 28/3/25	4/4/25 11/4/25

I am unable to help on a Friday, but would like to help in other ways:

BAKING COLLECTING ORDERS & ASSISTING WITH FLEXISCHOOLS APP
SHOPPING



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Ulmarra Public School has a reputation for excellence, innovation, opportunity and success.

Enrolments are now being taken for students from Kindergarten to Year 6.

For more Information contact us at - 02 66445266
2476 Big River Way Ulmarra, 2462
email- ulmarra-p.school@det.nsw.edu.au

ENROL NOW




If your child misses as little as

1 day per fortnight

they will miss

4 weeks of school per year

which adds up to over

1 year missed over their school life

Health Alert

NSW Health has asked us to share the following information you.

Public health alert - whooping cough (pertussis)

Whooping cough is at the highest levels in 15 years. Share this information from

NSW Health with your school community.

NSW Health has asked schools to share this advice with families and remind you

to be aware of the symptoms of whooping cough (pertussis), as the number of cases in NSW continues to rise.

The highest rates are seen in school-aged children aged 5 to 16 years.

Whooping cough starts like a cold with a blocked or runny nose, sneezing, a mild fever and an occasional cough. Coughing bouts can worsen and be followed by

vomiting, choking or taking a big gasping breath which causes a "whooping"

sound. The cough can last for many weeks and can be worse at night.

Children and adults may just have a mild cough that doesn't go away. In adults

the cough commonly lasts 5-7 weeks, sometimes longer.

Adolescents are offered a free pertussis vaccine through the Year 7 school

vaccination program, as immunity decreases following their early childhood

vaccines. GPs can administer free catch-up vaccination to children and

adolescents for those who have missed doses. Pharmacists can also administer

these free for children aged 5-19 years. The best protection against pertussis

infection is vaccination.

Large outbreaks of whooping cough usually occur every 3 to 4 years as

population immunity decreases. Lower exposure to whooping cough during the

COVID-19 pandemic is a likely reason for this current increase.

Advice for parents of newborns, infants and pregnant women

Newborn babies and infants are at greatest risk of severe illness from whooping

cough. Newborns may not cough at all but stop breathing completely and turn

blue. Other babies have difficulties feeding or they can choke and gag.

The on-time vaccination of babies and pregnant women is critical to their

protection. Children should be vaccinated at 6 weeks, 4 months, 6 months, 18

months and 4 years of age. NSW Health recommend pregnant women are

vaccinated during each pregnancy between 20 to 32 weeks.

NSW Health encourages parents, carers, grandparents and other people in close

contact with babies and young children to get vaccinated if they have not

received one in the previous 10 years.

If you think you or a family member might have whooping cough

If you or your child's situation is life-threatening, please call Triple Zero (000) or

present to your nearest emergency department immediately.

If it's not an emergency, call healthdirect on 1800 022 222 if you or your child are

unwell and you're not sure where to go. healthdirect is free and available 24

hours a day, 7 days a week. A nurse will answer your call, ask some questions and

connect you with the right care.

If given early, antibiotics can reduce the duration of whooping cough symptoms.

After 5 days of treatment with appropriate antibiotics, people with whooping

cough are no longer infectious. Without treatment, they will remain infectious for

21 days. Antibiotics are rarely needed if it has been 3 weeks since cough onset.

For more information check the Whooping cough (pertussis) fact sheet

External link from NSW Health.

For more information, please click on the links below:

<https://www.health.nsw.gov.au/Infectious/whoopingcough/Pages/Information-for-childcare-and-schools.aspx>