

**DATES TO
REMEMBER**

**Book Fair
Discovery Centre
16 to 20 October**

**Lapathon &
Twilight Market
9 November**

**Ballarat Show
Day
10 November
NO SCHOOL**

**Report Writing
Day
15 November
NO SCHOOL**

What's UPPs

NEWSLETTER NO 15 TUESDAY 10 OCTOBER 2017

From the Principal



We welcome Mrs Bree Williams back from long service leave. We also welcome Ms Hollie Hawke, who has returned from family leave. We look forward to working with Bree and Hollie this term, and we are very excited that they have returned to the UPPS community.

Term 4 is already shaping up as a very busy time. Please find some important dates below so that you can begin planning. This list is not exhaustive as we are waiting for confirmation of some dates and events.

Assemblies will be fortnightly, starting next week in Week 2 (there will be no assembly in Week 10) and newsletters will be published fortnightly.

Week	Date	Event
1	All week	Japan trip
2	All week	Book Fair
	20 th October	Grade 1 Earth Ed excursion
3	23 rd October	Grade 3-4 T20 Cricket
	27 th October	Grade 5-6 T20 Cricket
4	31 st October	'Dyslexia Awareness Day' – Students may wear red and bring a gold coin if families choose to support this cause
5	9 th November	Lapathon and Twilight Market
	10 th November	Ballarat Show Day – No school
6	15 th November	Report Writing Day – No school
7	All week	Junior Unit Swimming
8	All week	Senior Unit Swimming
	28 th November	Grade 1 Excursion to Sovereign Hill
10	12 th December	Orientation and Grade Up Day
	14 th December	Grade 6 Graduation in the evening
11	18 th December	Final School Assembly –time to be confirmed
	19 th December	Carols on the Oval in the evening
	22 nd December	Last day- Dismissal at 1.30pm

No Classes- Report Writing



Please note that students will not be required at school on Wednesday 15th November as teachers will be writing reports.

Learning Conferences

Many thanks to the parents and carers who came along to our Learning Conferences at the end of Term 3. Strong partnerships between home and school are vital to successful learning, and we appreciate your support.



International Baccalaureate (IB) - Primary Years Program (PYP) – The Attitudes

This term, we will be introducing the PYP Attitudes across the school. The PYP requires that we focus upon the development of personal attitudes toward people, the environment and towards learning. The development of the attitudes aims to increase the wellbeing of the individual and the group. The attitudes will be displayed throughout the school and they include **appreciation, commitment, confidence, co-operation, creativity, curiosity, empathy, enthusiasm, independence, integrity, respect** and **tolerance**. Teachers will be 'attitude spotting' whereby the children will be awarded with a card (like a business card) when they display one of the attitudes. The challenge is to collect the set of cards by displaying all of the attitudes. The students have been provided with a folder so that they can start collecting. I will be speaking with the children at Assembly about the attitudes and why they are important to learning, development and relationships.



Hats for Term 4

We really appreciate the support that parents are providing by ensuring that children are in uniform. Please remember that staff and students are expected to wear hats outside in Term 4



Diaries

In the final week of Term 3, I had the opportunity to read and sign the students' diaries. The diaries were implemented to assist students with their personal organisation. They also provide a great communication tool between home and school. All students should be bringing their diary to school each day so that teachers can monitor home reading and communicate with parents if necessary. Many thanks to the parents who have supported this process by recording reading and signing diaries regularly. All students are reminded to bring their diary to school every day.

Classes for 2018

The time is rapidly approaching when teachers will commence the task of creating classes for 2018. We are very fortunate that we have many requests for families to join our community in 2018. If your family will not be with us next year, please inform the office so that we can consider this moving forward.

The formation of classes is quite a lengthy process, as we consider the allocation of each child very carefully. As part of this process, the students will identify some children with whom they would like to be placed next year. **Parents may forward any information that is relevant to their child's placement in 2018 to me in writing by Monday 6th November** and this will also be taken into consideration. Please do not assume that requests made in the past are binding forever, as circumstances and staff change over time.



Transition 2018

Our Foundation students for 2018 will be joining us in the near future for their transition sessions. Many thanks to Mrs Joy Hill and Mrs Heather Delahunty, and the staff involved, for all the work that they have done to organise the Transition program.

Best wishes,
Janet Hillgrove

COMMEMORATION EVENT

October 4th this year marked the centenary of the First World War battle at Broodseinde Ridge near Passchendaele in Belgium, in which more than thirty Ballarat soldiers died, including two former students of Urquhart St State School – *Alfred Rowsell and James Trezise*.

Thanks to school captains, Bailey & Ella, who attended the service in honour of these brave men and laid a wreath on behalf of the Urquhart Park community.



Reflective Award

Mia Graham	FA	For wanting to learn more and striving.
Mia Fitzpatrick	FB	For being able to set goals and strive to achieve them.
Kayley Alexis-Steinmann	1A	For her recent effort to reflect on her achievements and find new ways to challenge herself. Keep trying your hardest superstar!
Will Pedrotti	1B	For working hard to achieve his writing goal and setting new challenges to keep improving as a writer.
Declan Adams	2A	For making a stellar effort with his reading, setting himself the challenge to improve everyday.
Mia Walter	2B	For thinking about her learning and setting goals to reach the next level.
Seth Ware	3A	For reflecting on Term 3 and independently writing his own goals for Term 4 to help improve his work.
Amahlia Hunter	3B	For her ability to set goals and reach new understandings when exploring for her Discovery Project.
Keali Jolly	4A	For showing a great understanding of the importance of reflection to guide learning.
Tegan Cartledge	4B	For being able to celebrate her achievement and understanding where to take her learning next.
Skyla Millar	5A	For taking on feedback and implementing it in her work.
Tarhlee Lestrangle	5B	For being able to reflect on her choices when completing her inquiry and to make decisions that challenge her learning.
Jessie Holness	56A	For her reflective practice. Jessie always thinks about her learning and identifies future areas for growth.
Corey Medley	6A	For being able to reflect on what is needed in order to complete a successful end to grade 6.
Misha Sweeney	PE	For being able to use technology to analyse and reflect on her High Jump technique and then make changes to improve and perform at a high standard.
Connor Jeffrey	LOTE	For showing greatly improved application in class and making efforts to reflect on his learning.
George Bannister	Music	For his ability to think deeply about new ideas and reflect on his learning before sharing it with the class.
Ebony Vranesic	Garden - Kitchen	For being an eager and enthusiastic student who always strives to set new goals and her ability to reflect on her learning.

Walk to School 2017

Walk, ride or scoot and
build healthy habits for life.



Keep an eye out for information about when you can join us walking to school in October!

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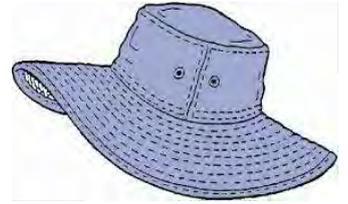
RUN
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22 OCTOBER 2017

Please join us at Run Ballarat!

Go to <http://rundustralia.com.au/> and register to be part of team UPPS

JUNIOR UNIT



We trust you all had a relaxing holiday ready for a busy final term.

Thankyou to all parents and carers who attended Learning Conferences last term. It was a great opportunity for students to share their achievements and to set goals for the upcoming term.

Swimming will take place from November 20th – 24th please keep an eye out for permission notes in the near future.

On October the 23rd we will welcome the 2018 Foundation students for their first transition session. There will be a series of sessions leading to a longer orientation day in December.

During the first 2 weeks of term we will be finishing up our HOW THE WORLD WORKS inquiry unit. This has been a fun, hand-on unit with many experiments conducted in all classes.

Please ensure all students have their UPPS broad brimmed hat at school as this term our policy is NO HAT NO PLAY to ensure you are protected from the UV rays.

The Junior Unit Team

MIDDLE UNIT

Welcome back to Term 4!

This term looks to be a busy but exciting 11 weeks and the Middle Unit Team is looking forward to all the upcoming events.

This week the Grade 3 students will be continuing their exploration projects. They will begin creating their projects ready to present in Week 2 to their peers. The holiday homework given at the end of Term 3 will help prepare students for their presentations through discussions at home with parents and carers. We look forward to seeing what the students have discovered.

In Grade 4, students have begun to look at time as a unit of measure. We are continuing to investigate inventors, inventions and the 'Invention Process'. Students have thoroughly enjoyed investigating and learning throughout this Unit of Inquiry. Keep up the wonderful work, Grade 4's.

Middle Unit Team

SENIOR UNIT

Welcome back! We hope you had a fantastic holiday and you are ready for a busy Term 4.

The 5's and 6's will be continuing with their inquiry into a natural phenomena, presenting their findings through being a roaming reporter. We are excited to see what the students have learnt from their previous inquiry and implement their learnt skills into this unit of inquiry.

It is time for the Grade 5 students to start thinking about leadership opportunities. They will have the opportunity mid way through the term to apply for a position they would like to undertake in Grade 6. These include School Captains and specialist captains as well as others like ICT leaders. More information about these roles will be given out later in the term. We will also be seeking out Grade 5 students who would like to be a buddy for the new Foundation students in 2018 and orientation days in 2017.

The Grade 6's have entered their final term as Urquhart Park students. We hope you have a fantastic final term and finish your schooling at U.P.P.S with a bang.

Thankyou Senior Unit teacher.

THE GARDENING KITCHEN

THE SUSTAINABLE GARDENING KITCHEN



We are all looking forward to ordering from our exciting new Kissaten

Menu!

Our Rice Cakes got the thumbs up from many students as they enjoyed preparing, cooking and tasting this new menu item.



Many wonderful families looked after our chooks, worms over the holidays. Thank you to the Mathieson, Seamons, Wienand, Bertram and Hargraves families. We are all so very grateful.

We need families to look after our chooks, worms and garden each weekend. If you are interested please let me know.

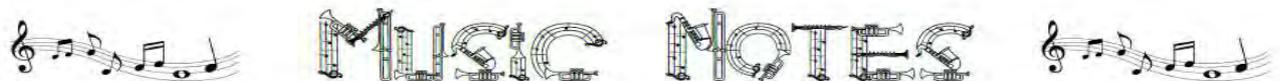
Our worms have been very productive producing their special Worm Wee Fertilizer. If families would like some for their own gardens let me know. Worm Wee is applied to gardens in a watering can by mixing 1 part of Worm Wee to 10 parts of water.

Over the following weeks through the transdisciplinary theme of, 'How the World Works' – In The Sustainable Gardening Kitchen we will be inquiring into the following:-

- Grade 3 - How Communities Express Themselves – Food From Cultures Around the World
- Grade 4 - Ways to Up Cycle and Reuse Items.
- Grade 5 - Global Warming and How Earth's Changes Have Impacted Upon Human Life.

UPPS Students and Kerry Hartmann

The Gardening Kitchen

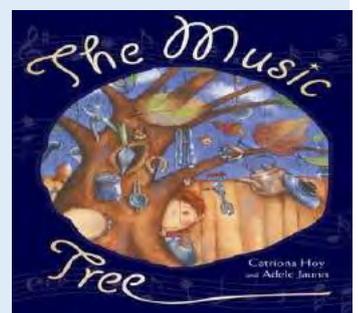


CAN YOU HELP?

The Foundation and Grade 1 students have been undertaking an inquiry into how sound can be created. We have investigated a range of different percussion instruments looking at the actions that take place—scraping, shaking, banging etc— to cause the sound. As provocation for our

thinking we read "The Music Tree" and we have been inspired to create our very own **U.P.P.S Music Tree**. We are looking for house hold items that are no longer need that we can turn into "instruments" for our tree. If you, your friends or family have something you would be prepared to donate, please drop it into the office or the Music Room asap so that it can be sorted and added to the collection by the children. Below is a list some of the things Liam's friends gave to him in the book but we are happy to accept anything you can think of so long as it is not sharp or made of glass and is suitable for outside use. :

Old Keys, cooking trays, Bells, pot lids, egg beater, kettles, tea pots, horse shoes, pieces of chain, old pipe, spoons, cookie cutters, tea strainer, pots and pans.



Composer in focus: Bruno Mars

Our composer in focus for the start of Term 4 is the well known performer Bruno Mars. However he is being featured because of the music he WRITES (composes). Did you know that Bruno not only writes music for himself to play and sing but has also written songs for other artists and co-written a number of songs too? Answer questions below to enter the competition. Form available in the Music room or from the office

Q1: What is Bruno Mars birthdate?

Q2: How many instruments does Bruno Mars play, and what are they?

Q3: Name two songs that Bruno Mars wrote that are currently playing on the Bell Music?



Japanese : Mr. Paxton



JAPAN TOUR OCTOBER 9-16

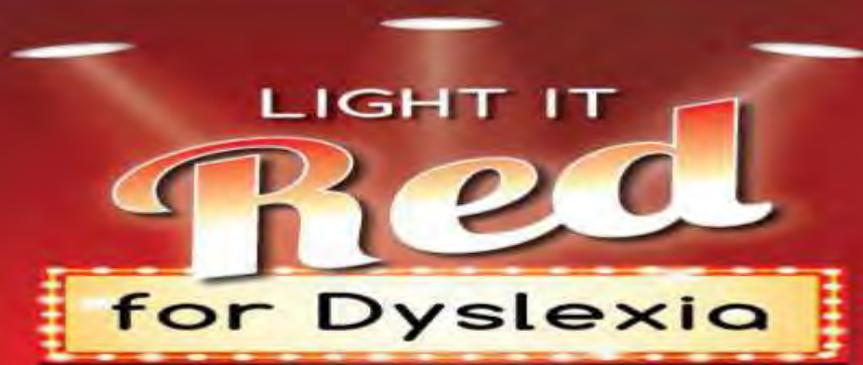
As you read this, 14 students from grade 5/6, Ms Devlin, Ms Dowling and Mr Paxton are in Tokyo, Japan.

We will be here until next Monday. We will be visiting temples, eating delicious Japanese food, taking the Shinkansen (Bullet Train), visiting Mt. Fuji, going to a Japanese Elementary school, and visiting a ninja village....and that's just for starters!

Of course this is also an excellent opportunity for students and teachers to practise their Japanese, meet new people and enjoy the unique culture of Japan.

We will be posting pictures on our UPPS Facebook page, and of course can't wait to share our adventures with all our school community when we return.





***'Light it Red for Dyslexia'* is a volunteer initiative to light significant monuments and landmarks across Australia in red for Dyslexia Awareness.**

Learn more and view the confirmed light ups in your region at:

 [Light it Red for Dyslexia](#)

 [@LiRed4Dyslexia](#)

[#lightitredfordyslexia](#)

Please join us in raising awareness for Dyslexia by taking part in 'Light it Red!' On Tuesday October 31st please wear red to school and bring along a gold coin donation to help show your support!



**Coming to Urquhart
Park**

When: Monday 16 October to Friday 20 October

Where: Discovery Centre

Times: 8.30am to 8.50am and 3.10pm to 3.30pm

URQUHART PARK PRIMARY SCHOOL
LAPATHON
&
Twilight market

The Urquhart Park Primary School Lapathon and Twilight Market is coming up!

Both will be on Thursday November 9th.
The Lapathon will be throughout the day followed by the Twilight Market from 5pm.

Please keep an eye out for more details!