

DATES TO REMEMBER

Learning Conferences

Thursday 21 September

3.30 to 6.30

Friday 22 September

9.00 to 1.00

(No classes for students Friday)

What's UPPs

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From the Principal



Staffing

I would like to acknowledge and thank Ms Esme Jorgensen for the work that she has done with her Grade 6 class throughout the term. We wish Esme the best of luck for the future. Thank you for your contribution at UPPS, Esme.

Professional Learning

The recent two-day in-school PYP assessment workshop was very well received by our teaching staff. We learned about ways by which we can effectively assess our students so that we are strongly valuing the process of learning, rather than just the final product. Involving students in their learning through goal setting, conferencing and feedback were also areas that we investigated together.



PYP Exhibition



We are very interested in implementing an Exhibition of learning next year for students in the Senior Unit. This requires that each student demonstrate engagement with the five essential elements of the PYP program: knowledge, concepts, skills, attitudes and action. The Exhibition enables students to develop independence and responsibility for their own learning. Last week, our Grade 5 students visited Ballarat Grammar's Exhibition so that they could gain some insight into how the Exhibition is set up and the kinds of inquiry projects that they can develop and present. It was a very worthwhile experience and we were extremely proud of the enthusiasm and curiosity displayed by our students.

Father's Day Breakfast

It was great to see so many dads, grandfathers and other special people at the Father's Day Breakfast Barbecue last week. We had some very positive feedback about this event from families. Many thanks to those who came along. Thank you to the staff who supported this event by cooking and distributing sausages. I hope that all of our dads, grandfathers and other special people had a wonderful day.



Learning Conferences and NAPLAN



Learning Conferences will be held next week on Thursday 21 September from 3.30-6.30pm and on Friday 22 September from 9-1pm. We encourage every family to attend these conferences. Please use our online booking system to make an appointment with teachers. Please contact the office if you require any assistance with booking appointments, as we are very happy to help. Please remember that **classes will not be held on Friday 22 September**, as teachers will be engaged in learning conferences.

NAPLAN results have been provided to families, and it was very pleasing to see that our results have improved in all areas. A number of the children achieved outstanding results. The children's results provide us with some informative data, which we use to evaluate our teaching programs to determine areas of strength and any improvements that we can implement to support learning. The upcoming Learning Conferences provide an opportunity for parents to discuss NAPLAN results with teachers.

Disco

It was great to see the students enjoying themselves at our recent disco. It was a lot of fun and the children were very happy to enjoy their time together, dancing with their friends. Many thanks to our staff for their support of the event, as the disco cannot happen without staff volunteering their time. Thanks also to Ms Chanelle Pelchen and the Community Engagement Committee for organising this event for us.



State Schools Spectacular

Congratulations and best wishes to the students who will be involved in the State Schools' Spectacular this Saturday 16th September. It is fantastic that we have such talented students who have the confidence to perform at these events. Congratulations to the students involved – Skyla, Claudia, Thu, Ella, Kayla, Mahalia, Leila, Jessie, Bailey, Jenna, Emma, Nick, Ella, Lily, Heidi and Olivia. Many thanks to the parents of these children for your wonderful support. Ms Dowling and I are very excited about watching the performance on Saturday.

Trip to Japan

We are monitoring the political situation and currently we have approval from DET for the trip to go ahead early next term. I encourage the parents of the children who are participating to contact Mr Paxton or myself if you are feeling concerned.



I hope that you all have a wonderful break and look forward to seeing you in our very busy Term 4. Many thanks to students, parents and staff for your support over a very productive Term 3.

The next newsletter will be published in Week 1 of Term 4, and our first assembly for the term will be on Friday afternoon of Week 2.

Best wishes,

Janet Hillgrove

OUTSTANDING URQUHART PARK CITIZENS

Congratulations to the following students who have been named as Outstanding Urquhart Park Citizens. They have been placed on this level as recognition of them making a very positive contribution to our school and consistently being an excellent role model for their peers.



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| Bailey Duncan | Maddison Hawke | Conna Brown | Mikayla Ainley |
| Isabella Perrett | Darcy Simpson | Riley Pedrotti | Mehar Kahlon |
| Sophie Dunn | Mason Matthews | Ava Yeoman | Tyler Kern |
| Sebastian Ivens | Blaire Curtis | Xavier May | Miley Dreier |
| Ciara Dower | Luke Dunn | Lauren Armstrong | Jack Simpson |
| Lyla Walker | Angus Bertram | Alex Haley-Christy | Emma Perrett |
| Heath Parkinson | Heidi Adriaans | Kayla Bridges | Darrian Davis-Williams |

Inquirers Award

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| Evelyn Rundle | FA | For always striving to learn new things. |
| Damien Slade | FB | For being curious and enthusiastic when we conduct experiments. |
| Addison Keats | 1A | For inspiring others to explore their curiosity and always thinking outside the box. Your creativity is extraordinary. |
| Amelie Jones | 1B | For the love of learning she demonstrates at home and at school. |
| Tyler Cassidy | 2A | For his enthusiasm and curiosity when exploring the world of mini beasts. Tyler took his learning further by creating a book at home. |
| Aiden Kirkwood | 2B | For exploring the fascinating world of mini beasts with great enthusiasm. |
| Oliver Lewis | 3A | For being a curious learner and inquiring into the use of technology in our world. |
| Caden Spruce | 3B | For his deep thinking and questioning when exploring new ideas. |
| Rowhan Camilleri | 4A | For always asking questions and wanting to know how and why things are. |
| Takoda Stanton | 4B | For taking the time to ask 'why' and developing really exciting questions to explore. |
| Ashton Clerks | 5A | For always asking questions to clarify his learning. |
| Aaliyah Naylor | 5B | For her enthusiasm in her inquiry project. Your hard work and research skills shone through in your presentation. |
| Leila Eastwell | 56A | For her exceptional inquiry into the respiratory system. Sensational work, Leila! |
| Brennan Pedrotti | 6A | You always try to inquire into tasks to ensure you have a thorough understanding. |
| Arnaud Duteil | PE | For embracing the use of technology during PE, Arnaud was able to break down skills, analyse and make comparisons with other students techniques. |
| Shaylee Quinney | Art | For her curious nature and love of learning new things in Art. Well done! |
| Lucy Green | Music | For her inquisitive nature in the music room and her ability to ask questions that take learning further. |
| Jessica Reyner | Garden-Kitchen | For her love of learning and the way she questions in a 'why is it so' way to find out new things and increase her knowledge of how the world works. |



Please join us at Run Ballarat!

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



SPECIALIST NEWS



THE SUSTAINABLE GARDENING KITCHEN

WEET-BIX BISCUITS made from cereal and seasonal fruit have been baked and enjoyed in The Sustainable Gardening Kitchen this week!



A BIG thank you to our very capable School Captains and the many volunteers who happily work together in the canteen, garden and kitchen to make The Sustainable Gardening Kitchen such an enjoyable learning place to be in.

Recycling—we are collecting plastic bottle tops of any size and colour for upcycled art work; and plastic bread tags for recycling into wheel chairs. Many thanks to our families and friends who have already recycled and donated bottle tops and tags—keep them coming!

The Sapling Choir—you were outstanding in your musical presentation on **COMPOSTING** at our school assembly... **Well done and Thank you!**

Kerry Hartmann

P.E: Mr. Tolliday

It has been a very busy last month in sport at Urquhart Park. We sent 10 teams to the Ballarat Futsal Tournament with 5 teams making the final and 2 teams winning. All students represented the school superbly.

Our 13 athletes who qualified for the Division Athletics have been training hard before and after school braving terrible weather to help improve their skills. Every single athlete performed excellently and we were lucky enough to have 5 athletes qualify for the Greater Western Region Athletics Championships in Term 4. Well done to Rhys, Tarlee, Nic, Kayla and Adley for making it to the next level.

Our Junior Unit have been developing their gymnastic skills with weekly sessions run by Ballarat Gymsports. It has been wonderful to see the enjoyment and development from our students over the last 4 weeks.

Kane Tolliday

Japanese : Mr. Paxton

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| Hello | Konnichiwa | 今日は |
| Good morning | Ohayo gozaimasu. | お早うございます / おはようございます |
| Good evening | Konbanwa | 今晩は / こんばんは |
| Good night | Oyasumi nasai | おやすみなさい |
| Goodbye | Sayonara | さようなら |
| Thank you | Arigatō gozaimasu | ありがとうございます |
| Thank you very much | Dōmo arigatō gozaimasu | どうもありがとうございます |
| Thanks | Dōmo | どうも |
| Please (request) | Nudasai | ください |
| Please (offering s'thing) | Doso | どうぞ |
| You're welcome | Dō itashimashite | どう致しましてどういたしまして |
| Excuse me | Sumimasen | すみません |
| Do you speak English? | Eigo wa dekimasu ka? | 英語はできますか |
| Yes / no / a little | Hai / iie / chotto | はい / いいえ / ちょっと |
| I'm sorry | Gomen nasai | ごめんなさい |
| I don't understand | wakarimasen | わかりません |
| I understand | wakarimasu | わかります |
| How much is this? | ikura desu ka? | いくらですか |
| How are you? | Ogenki desuka? | おげんき ですか？ |
| I'm fine, thanks. | Watashiwa genki desu. Arigato. | わたしは げんき です。ありがとう |
| Nice to meet you | Hajime mash'ite | はじめまして |



Japan Tour

October 9-16

With less than four weeks before our departure, our 15 students are counting the days! We are currently meeting every Tuesday to practice our everyday "survival Japanese", and practising our performance when we visit our sister city school in Inagawa prefecture, Matsuodai Elementary.

Shodo

These days, most Japanese use pencils, ballpoints, or felt-tip pens to write letters and other documents. But the art of *shodo* (calligraphy), where an ink-dipped brush is used artistically to create Japanese kanji and kana characters, remains a traditional part of Japan's culture. This week, students from grades 3 and 4 will experience *Shodo* for perhaps their first time. I've been impressed with the efforts of grade 4B, who have painted the Kanji characters representing Days of the Week. Please check out the windows of grades 3 and 4 in the coming week!



JUNIOR UNIT

Can you move a marble from a table to a chair without it touching the floor (no hands!)?

The Year Ones accepted this challenge full of enthusiasm as we launched into our new inquiry. We saw some very creative solutions as the children used items in the room to transport their marbles. Over the coming weeks we will continue our investigations into 'push' and 'pull' forces and use our learning to create a marble run.

Thank you to all of the families who are helping us to be sustainable inquirers by providing us with cardboard. We are still looking for clean cardboard items so please send any donations along with your child.

It has been wonderful to see so many curious families wondering about our cardboard collection and our inquiry learning. We have even seen a homemade marble run, inspired by our school inquiry!

Now that the children have taken on the marble challenge we are wondering... can any of our families move a marble from a table to a chair without it touching the floor (no hands!)? What solutions will you find?

Year 1 teachers

MIDDLE UNIT

Congratulations to the Grade 3 students! Your behaviour and level of enthusiasm when at Science Works last week was outstanding. We were extremely proud of everyone on the day and excited to see all the connections you made to your learning back at school.

Students have begun planning their 'exploration project' this week. They have chosen a topic that they would like to understand on a deeper level. Students will use their developing research skills to collect information and present it to the class next term. Students have the opportunity to guide their learning and develop their self-management skills. They are also able to decide how they would like to present their findings. We cannot wait to see their creativity shine!

In maths, we are continuing to learn all about multiplication and doubles.

The grade 4s have been very busy learning about fractions. They are testing their knowledge by working on improper fractions, mixed fractions and equivalent fractions.

They have also been exploring their central idea, 'humans are driven to inquire, imagine and invent'. They are taking their learning further by creating a power point presentation on an invention that has changed the world.

Middle Unit Teachers

SENIOR UNIT

This week marks the much anticipated incursion of the Star Lab on Friday. This coincides with the beginning of our new Central Idea 'Earth's changes have impacted upon human life.' Senior Unit students have participated in rotations to inquire about Earth's natural phenomena where they will later become a roaming reporter and present their inquiry on a natural phenomena.

The Grade 5's have opened up their classroom, much to the amazement of the students. We are very impressed with the discussions being held about their learning and the enthusiasm the students have shown towards the change.

Grade 6 students are beginning their transition into high school with 19 students attending the Phoenix College ICT day. This is a fantastic opportunity to get a taste of high school life and to experience what is expected in year 7.

We would like to thank Miss Esme Jorgenson for her contribution to U.P.S this term and wish her all the best in her future endeavours and welcome back Mrs Bree Williams into 6A.

A reminder to parents to book in for their child's learning conference, where the students themselves will be encouraged to initiate learning discussions and set goals for the forthcoming term.

WENDOUREE JUNIOR TRACK AND FIELD SEASON 2017-2018

The Wendouree Athletic Club junior summer track and field season will be commencing on 6th October 2017 at the Wendouree Reserve Function Centre with a registration night which will be held between 5pm and 6pm.

Competition will commence on 13th October 2017 at the C.E Brown Reserve (Located off Norman Street) and runs each Friday night for approx. 14 rounds commencing at 6.00pm and normally finishes about 7:00pm – 7:30pm, where a sausage sizzle is available.

The Wendouree Athletic Club has conducted junior competition since 1956 and proudly caters for all boys and girls from under 5 to under 14 age groups in a family orientated atmosphere, where your children will enjoy running, throwing and jumping events each week.

Prices for one off season registration are:

Season starts 13th October 2017 we break for Christmas
Holidays on the 8th December 2017
And then resumes on 2nd February 2017 for another 6 weeks
finishing competition on 2nd March 2017.
We then have a presentation Day on Friday 16th March 2017.

one child \$40

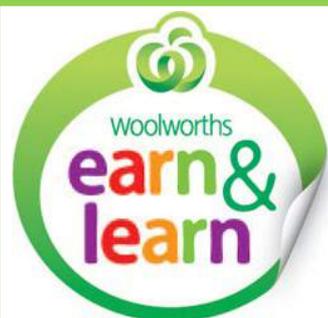
two children \$65

three or more children \$85

For further information log on to our club website at
www.wendoureeathletics.com
or email Michelle at wendoureeathletics@hotmail.com

Alternatively you may also phone Stephen McLennan on 0439 330452
Or Michelle Hawkes on 0409 016 120.

We hope to see you.



Woolworths earn & learn

Thank you to all the families who have been sending in their completed sticker sheets and/or stickers.

The promotion ends in the Stores on **Tuesday 19 September**, so please continue to send your stickers into school to add to our Tally.

All stickers/sheets must be sent into school by **Thursday 21 September** (last day of term for students) so that we can get them tallied up and submitted by the due date.

FREE TO A GOOD HOME: HOOLA HOOPS

Mr T has been having a clean out of the shed and has some Hoola Hoops that we no longer require, but can still be used at home. If you would like one please go to Mr T's office after school and he will be happy to let you take one home. Be quick, as we only have 25 to give away.

Book Fair

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



Registered NDIS Provider

Ballarat NDIS Parent Connection Group

Funbugs Coffee and Chat

\$6.50 per child over 12 months (includes coffee for parent).
Parents are also welcome attend without their children (free).
Food and drinks available for purchase at venue.

Wednesday September 20th, 9.30am – 11.30am
Funbugs, 903 Doveton St N, Ballarat North

This will be a relaxed, social session where parents can share experiences of parenting young children with disabilities, and implementing NDIS plans.

Please RSVP to Rebecca Paton, Parent Support Program Coordinator
5329 1361, rpaton@pinarc.org.au

Pinarc Parent Workshops & Information Sessions

ADHD Parent Voices – Homework Success Strategies

An interactive workshop for parents to explore how to best meet the needs of children with ADHD

Facilitators:

Deb Robertson
Teacher, Parent and PhD Candidate, Federation University

Rebecca Paton,
Parent Support Coordinator, Pinarc Disability Support

Monday 18th September,
6.00 - 8.00pm
Pinarc Disability Support,
1828 Sturt St Alfredton

Register at Pinarc Reception:
Ph: 5329 1300



Registered NDIS Provider



THE GARDENING KITCHEN KISSATEN (CANTEEN) MENU is based on seasonal fruit and vegetables, sound nutritional guidelines and prepared in our school canteen! *All menu recipes and ingredients can be found on the Urquhart Park Primary School app.*

As part of the PYP - we are proud to be following exemplary sustainable practices of Reduce, Reuse and Recycle and as such are a wrapper free school!

To order, write your name and order on a paper bag, enclose a clean, suitable airtight nude food container and your money inside the paper bag. **PLEASE BRING YOUR OWN SPOON and FORK if needed for your meal.**

If you choose not to provide a suitable container please kindly add 50 cents to your order to cover the cost of purchasing packaging on your behalf. **Orders must be in by Tuesday for Thursday Canteen**

| <u>HOT FOOD</u> | <u>PRICE</u> | <u>Traffic Light Rating</u> | <u>UPWAYS (UPPS Subway)</u> | <u>PRICE</u> | <u>Traffic Light Rating</u> |
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| Spaghetti Bolognaise | \$5.00 | ☺☺☺ | Salad * - Large Wrap - Small Wrap | \$4.00 \$2.00 | ☺☺☺ ☺☺☺ |
| Macaroni and Cheese | \$4.00 | ☺☺☺ | Chicken & Salad * - Large Roll - Small Roll | \$6.00 \$3.00 | ☺☺☺ ☺☺☺ |
| Party Sausage Roll | \$1.50 | ☺☺☺ | Meatball & Salad * - Large Wrap - Small Wrap | \$6.00 \$3.00 | ☺☺☺ ☺☺☺ |
| Large Sausage Roll | \$3.00 | ☺☺☺ | * Choose from 4 salad options: <i>Capsicum, Lettuce, Tomato, Onion, Cheese, Beetroot, Carrot, Cucumber Mayonnaise or Sweet Chilli Sauce</i> | | |
| Japanese Curry Rice | \$5.00 | ☺☺☺ | <u>SALADS</u> | | |
| | | | Garden Salad - <i>Lettuce, Cucumber, Tomato, Spanish Onion, Carrot, Capsicum, Celery with Lemon Juice or Mayonnaise</i> | \$5.00 | ☺☺☺ |
| <u>SUSHI</u> | | | <u>SNACKS</u> | | |
| 1 Nori Roll \$2.50 - 2 Nori Rolls \$4.50 | | | Freshly Popped Popcorn | \$1.00 | ☺☺☺ |
| Seasonal Vegetable | | ☺☺☺ | Banana Bread | \$2.00 | ☺☺☺ |
| Tuna | | ☺☺☺ | Boston Bun | \$1.00 | ☺☺☺ |
| Chicken Teriyaki | | ☺☺☺ | Anzac Biscuit | \$1.00 | ☺☺☺ |
| <u>SOUPS</u> | | | Seasonal Savoury Muffin | \$1.00 | ☺☺☺ |
| Carrot | \$3.00 | ☺☺☺ | Seasonal Fruit Muffin | \$1.00 | ☺☺☺ |
| Pumpkin | \$3.00 | ☺☺☺ | Muesli Bar | \$1.00 | ☺☺☺ |



THE EASY WAY TO BOOK
**SCHOOL
INTERVIEWS**



Dear Parents

Learning Conferences will be held on the following dates:

Thursday 21st September and Friday 22nd September 2017

Learning Conferences should take approximately 10 minutes per child.

Now you can book school interviews for the times that suit *your family*.
Go to www.schoolinterviews.com.au and follow these simple instructions.

Simply enter the code and press "Go"



Enter your details



Select the teachers you wish to see



Select the appointment times that suit your family best



When you click **FINISH**, your interview timetable will be emailed to you automatically. If you do not receive your email immediately –

You can return to www.schoolinterviews.com.au at any time, and change your interviews - until the bookings close on 27th January at 4pm

You may change your bookings, any time prior to the closing date, by re-visiting the www.schoolinterviews.com.au website, and using the event code. Remember to use the same name and email address, you used when you made your original booking. Parents wishing to change their interview times after the closing date, should contact the school directly on: 5330 5400