

What's UPPs

DATES TO REMEMBER

NEWSLETTER NO

TUESDAY 31 JULY 2018

Student Free Days

Thursday 2nd August
&

Friday 3rd August

School Concert

Wednesday
29th August

Snow Camp

10-13 September

Learning Conferences

20th & 21st September

From the Principal



Welcome back for Term 3

This term promises to be very busy, with a number of sporting events, excursions and the Snow Camp taking place. I am looking forward to a very productive and happy term of learning.

Authorisation as an IB-World School

We are very excited that representatives from the International Baccalaureate will be visiting our school next week to determine whether we are ready to be authorised as an IB World School. Our students will no doubt do a wonderful job when IB staff visit classrooms to observe their learning within the PYP. I acknowledge and thank Ms Hollie Hawke, our PYP Co-ordinator for all that she has done to prepare our school for the visit next week. Our staff must also be acknowledged for all the work that they have done to implement the PYP. It has been a huge team effort! The IB staff will be speaking to students, staff and parents about the impact of the PYP at the school. Thank you everybody and good luck next week!

Student Free Days This Week

When: Thursday 2nd August and Friday 3rd August

All families should have received written notification of the upcoming student free days. There will be **two consecutive student free days this week** as teachers complete a two-day workshop on 'Conceptual Learning'. **Classes will not be held and students will not be required at school on these days.** Please speak with the YMCA staff directly if you require child care on these days.



Parent Opinion Survey



We are conducting a survey to find out what you think of our school so that we can continue to improve the standard of education that we are offering to our students. The Parent Opinion Survey is completed annually by the Department of Education and Training, and is conducted amongst a sample of randomly selected parents at every school in Victoria. This year, about 30 per cent of parents will be invited to participate. All responses to the survey are anonymous. The survey helps our school gain an understanding of how you view our school climate, student engagement and relationships. Our school will use the results to improve school planning and improvement strategies. The survey will be conducted online and only takes 15 minutes to complete. Results will be sent back to our school at the end of September.

Debating



Congratulations to the students who represented our school in Debating at Royal South Street. We congratulate Harvey, Jessica, Lily, Jenna, Leo, Rhys, Maddie and Annaliese who argued that primary school students should not learn musical instruments and that students do too many after school activities. Many thanks to these students for their interest in debating and for representing our school so well.

Supervision Before School- Student Safety

There are some children arriving at school very early and in some cases before 8am. Please be aware that supervision begins in the yard at 8.35am. **Children must not be in the yard unsupervised.** The YMCA offers before school care to families in need of this service. Alternatively, Breakfast Club is open at 8.15am. We appreciate your co-operation with these arrangements.

Term 3 Calendar

Please find dates for events this term. Please understand that dates are subject to change.

	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
Week 1	16 July	17 July	18 July Leadership	19 July Foundation to visit Fire Station	20 July
Week 2	23 July Student Support Group Meetings (SSGs)- this week	24 July SSGs	25 July SSGs	26 July Senior Unit Sovereign Hill (Grade 6) SSGs	27 July Whole School Assembly SSGs
Week 3	30 July	31 July Newsletter Year 2 to Sovereign Hill	1 August 100 Days of School-Foundation	2 August No School – Curriculum Day for Teachers	3 August No School- Curriculum Day for Teachers
Week 4	6 August	7 August Foundation Parade	8 August Grade 1 to Urquhart Street PS. Japanese students visit	9 August	10 August
Week 5	13 August BHS visit Gr 3/4	14 August Newsletter	15 August	16 August	17 August
Week 6 Book Week 'Find Your Treasure'	20 August Ballarat Dentistry visit Foundation	21 August Grade 3&4 Futsal Tournament at Major League	22 August Grade 5&6 Futsal Tournament at Major League	23 August	24 August Assembly Whole School Concert Rehearsal 11.30-1pm.
Week 7	27 August Choirs competing at South Street	28 August Newsletter Whole School Concert Dress Rehearsal 11.30-1pm	29 August School Concert	30 August Sovereign Hill School-Gr 5	31 August Sovereign Hill School-Gr 5
Week 8	3 September Student Support Group Meetings	4 September Student Support Group Meetings	5 September Student Support Group Meetings	6 September Book Week Musical-'Treasure Hunt' Student Support Group Meetings	7 September Student Support Group Meetings
Week 9	10 September Snow Camp	11 September Snow Camp Newsletter	12 September Snow Camp	13 September Snow Camp	14 September Division Athletics at Llanberris
Week 10	17 September Year 2 strings-open lesson	18 September	19 September Whole School Assembly at 9.15am	20 September Learning Conferences 3.30pm-6.30pm	21 September Learning Conferences 9-1pm

Best wishes,
Janet Hillgrove

Approaches to Learning Awards

Taj Kahlon	FA	For beginning to communicate more confidently in our classroom. Well done!
Rubie Kirkwood	FB	For using her class time wisely to make the most of every learning opportunity.
Jacob McCauley	1A	For always being ready for learning and diligently making the most of every learning opportunity. Congratulations, Jacob!
Grace Parker	1B	For the big effort you have made to be organised and ready for learning. Well done, Grace!
Lucy Green	2A	For being organised everyday, ready to learn and making positive choices around her peers. Keep it up, Lucy!
Chloe Johnston	2B	For showing improved organisation in her writing and with her classroom routines.
Tahlia Quayle-Ryan	3A	For working hard to self-manage your learning time during our writing sessions. Well done, Tahlia!
Ethan Mitting	3B	For using your learning time efficiently by setting clear goals and working to achieve them.
Zoe Maggi	4A	For being aware and caring for other students in the classroom.
Charlotte Sampson	4B	For her wonderful organisation skills. Congratulations on always having everything ready to make the most of your learning time.
Sarah Bourke	5A	For always being prepared and organised. Sarah manages her time appropriately, sets her work out neatly and is ready to learn at the beginning of every lesson. Keep it up Sarah!
Lily Cook	5B	For her ability to always use her time efficiently and for consistently taking pride in the organisation and presentation of her work.
Jacob Grant	6A	For his outstanding time management skills demonstrated during learning time.
Jennifer Slade	6B	Jennifer is always organised for class and uses her time effectively to maximise her learning. She is a motivated self-starter who values learning time.
Emmiline Bailey	6C	Emmiline is an organised student who always begins set work straight away and manages her learning time effectively.
Tegan Cartledge	LOTE	For excellent research skills and consistently seeking to extend her knowledge of Japanese in all areas of the curriculum.
Jacobi Phillips	Art	For applying himself and trying his hardest in the art room.
George Bannister	Music	For his capacity to think through situations and plan for his needs in learning, as well as being able to think about his thinking (metacognition) and sharing this with his peers in Music.
Mikhaila Addison	P.E	For using her thinking skills to analyse and perform the two hand strike to record a top score of 12 points in our indoor hockey session.
Chase Lynch	Garden Kitchen	For displaying outstanding leadership skills within his group to produce the best sausage rolls ever!

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.



Bree Roberts

Brock Smith

Dylan Rowe

Bethany Sandwith

Noah Cochrane

Carey Smith

Eloise Lockwood

Tahlia Williams

Jemima Lockwood

Tobias Spear

George Bannister

Tahlia Lee

Tamara Duncan

Madison Dixon

Cooper Wilson

Ciara Dower

Evie Caris

Trent Ward

Georgia Murnane

Luke Dunn

Sienna Ham

Darcy Simpson

Olivia Lam

Jack Simpson

Tyler Kern

Emma Crellin

Harry Featherstone

Alexis Steinman-Wawn

STUDENT ABSENCE NOTIFICATIONS

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JUNIOR UNIT

Welcome back to Term 3! The children have made a wonderful start to their term by returning focused and ready to learn. Our new inquiry units are well underway and classes are enjoying making new community connections.

In Foundation, the children have visited the Fire Station and met local firefighters. This experience helps the children learn how their lives are affected by these community helpers.

Our Year Ones are investigating the rich history of UPPS, dating back to the 1800s! In the coming weeks, the children will connect with community members to discover how schools have changed over time. In Year Two, the children have been preparing for their visit to Sovereign Hill (today). We are fortunate to have this fantastic living museum at our doorstep and know that the children will make the most of this opportunity to develop their understanding of how the past influences their present and future.

MIDDLE UNIT

Welcome back to another very busy term in the Middle Unit!

We begin Semester 2 with an inquiry into 'Where We Are in Place and Time'. Students in Grade 3 are examining what the word 'culture' means and how cultures change over time. Thank you to all of the students who have brought in items from home that represent their family culture. Students in Grade 4 are inquiring into historical events that have shaped Australia's history, with a focus on exploration and explorers at key points throughout our history.

Please make a note that our Middle Unit assemblies for Term 3 will be held on Friday 17th August and Friday 7th September, both at 2.30pm in the MPR. All families are welcome to join us as we share our learning with each other.

SENIOR UNIT

We welcome all of the Senior students back to an exciting and busy Term 3.

This term has started with the Grade 6 students visiting Sovereign Hill last week to learn about the old Rush and its migrant past and how some of those migration factors are still relevant today. This links into their Unit of Inquiry and has been a useful resource for their studies.

The Grade 5 classrooms are full of learning and wonderful questioning about the Colonisation of Australia and the impact it has on the environment and its people.

We congratulate the 2 Senior Unit debating teams who competed this week at the Royal South Street Debating Cup Challenge. Both teams did a tremendous job in debating their topics against 2 very strong opposing teams. The teams represented Urquhart Park to a very high standard, however unfortunately both teams were pipped at the post. Congratulations to all involved on your wonderful team effort.



CASES 21 Family Statements

Family Statements will again be coming home next week (6 August 2018). If you have any questions regarding your statement, please do not hesitate to contact the office.

ESSENTIAL LEARNING ITEMS – 1 and 2

Thank you to the families who have already paid their 2018 Essential Learning Items 1 and/or 2018 Essential Learning Items 2.

The Essential Learning Items 1 was due on **29 March 2018**; with

The Essential Learning Items 2 due by **21 September 2018**

Essential Learning Items:

“These are items or services that are essential for your child’s schooling. Parents/guardians are expected to pay the school to provide these items, or provide themselves, if appropriate. The school purchases these items in bulk so they can be provided to parents/guardians at a significant discount. NOTE: there may be some items or services that you cannot purchase yourself.

Photocopying of additional student resources, ie curriculum texts, workbooks etc, that parents/guardians would otherwise be expected to purchase individually.

Consumables for use in Specialist programs (in particular – LOTE, Art and Gardening Kitchen)

Digital Technology and applications including - iPads, Netbooks, Reading Eggs and SeeSaw (Communication App).”

Thank you for your continued support of the curriculum and programs available to our students.

CHANGES TO FAMILY INFORMATION

When any of your family information changes, ie home address, telephone numbers, emergency contacts or any other personal information, please let the office know as soon as possible.

We rely on up to date information to enable us to contact parents or emergency contacts as the need arises.

Any information provided to us remains confidential.

Karen George, Business Manager



UPPS School Concert



Music transcends through time and place

Transdisciplinary Theme: where We Are In Place and Time

Key Concepts: Connection, Change

Lines of Inquiry: How music has developed through the decades.

Learner Profile Attributes: Courageous

Attitudes: Enthusiasm, commitment

Approaches to learning:

Communication skills: viewing and presenting

Social skills: cooperating, adopting a variety of group roles, group decision making

We are very excited that it is concert time again! Every student and their class have been spending time rehearsing their wonderful performances.

Tickets will be on sale from the UPPS office on Thursday August 9th from 3:15pm.

Where: Wendouree Centre of Performing Arts

When: Wednesday August 29th at 7pm

Cost: Adults \$10 Children \$5

We can't wait to see you all there and share in a night of wonderful memories and music!

We are also very excited to announce that we will be Selling DVDs of our concert performance this year. 'Vision by Demunk' will be filming and copies will be for sale for \$25. Please send your money along in a named envelope. .

If there are any concerns with your child being a part of the school concert or the DVD please let us know!

Thank you

Chanelle Pelchen

Community Engagement Leader



Grade 3 - 'How We Organise Ourselves' From Inquiry to Action



During Term 2, students in Grade 3 spent time exploring the role charitable organisations play in our community.

As part of our inquiry, we wondered about the types of things people might donate and what happens to the donations once a charity receives them. We invited the CEO of Uniting, Sean Duffy, to visit us at school and chat to us about the work Uniting do in our community.

With Sean's help we established the 'One Bag, One Child' campaign, asking others in our school community to bring in one bag of clothes to help clothe one child this winter. It was a great success and last week we helped load all of the donations into the Uniting van to be delivered to their op shops.

Sean and his team also took the large donation boxes created by the students and placed one of them in each of their three stores; Uniting Ballarat Op Shop in La Trobe Street, Restore in Howitt Street and The Light Lounge in Dana Street. Have you spotted any of the boxes in store?





News from the Specialist Teachers at UPPS



Japanese : Mr. Paxton

日本語



Konnichiwa!

Japan Tour 2019

I am very excited to announce that students from Grades 4 and 5 will have the opportunity of visiting Japan in October 2019. This will be our 3rd school visit, after previous tours of Japan in 2014 and 2017.

We will be visiting Tokyo, Mt. Fuji, Kyoto, and our sister school in Inagawa. Other potential destinations are also being considered. Stay tuned for details regarding an upcoming information session for parents and students happening later this month.



Obayashi Visit

On Wednesday August 8th, 18 students from Obayashi High School in Tokyo, Japan, will be joining our classes. It will be a special time for both our students and the girls. We are writing Japanese letters to them in the coming week.



Yuko San

We are very fortunate to have Yuko san visit our school each week to assist with Japanese classes. She is a favourite amongst our students! In the photos, Yuko is assisting students to learn Hiragana (Japanese writing)



UPPS KISSATEN

Sushi (tuna, chicken teriyaki and vegie) is available every Thursday for lunch!

Daniel Paxton

SUSTAINABILITY

the ability to sustain our planet!



Our 'Just Do The Best You Can—Sustainability Competition', is going well. We have had many entries so far. From families turning off all electrical appliances if they are not in a room, to using sustainable bags when they go shopping. One family has installed solar light in their cubby house to save energy ... How have you and your family become more sustainable? Keep those entries coming! You can enter our competition by writing your family's sustainable story and leaving it in the box in the Gardening Kitchen!

WANTED Any cutlery and crockery that you no longer need for use in our gardening kitchen. After we prepare, and cook our pleasurable meals we would like sit and eat them at a set table.



Our vegetable patch is thriving. We have been able to harvest turnips, lettuce, carrots, potatoes, parsnips and many herbs to make delicious recipes with.

THANK YOU to the many families that looked after our chooks and garden over the school holidays and to the families that continue to do so on the weekends. Along with our canteen volunteers, classroom helpers and the many families that donate seasonal produce and equipment to our garden and kitchen, we very much appreciate all your kindness support and help.

Ms. Hartmann

The Sustainable Gardening Kitchen



Upcoming Music Dates for your Diary

- Week 4: Friday 10/8 "Back to drumbeat" plays at Fidelity Kinder
 Week 5: Drumbeat 2/2—18 begins
 Week 7: Mon 27/8—Saplings to South Street, Founders Hall Federation University, Mt Helen(all day)
 Wednesday 29/8 - School Concert, Including Saplings Choir, Ukulele Club and Drum Club (taiko)



It has been a great start to Term 3 in the Music Room, with the Foundation having their first lessons in the Music Room. The photos here show only a taste of the excitement shared by all of us as we learned the Hello Song, met Mr Bumblebee who helped all of the children sing their names individually and took turns at being Peter and Paul (2 little dickie-birds) Grade1, 2A and Grade 6s students are also taking their turn to study Music this semester and Grade 2B is commencing violin. Out clubs are all working hard to prepare for their items at the School concert in Week 7 and the choir is preparing for The Royal South Street Eisteddfod.

Mrs Allen

Composer In Focus—Katy Abbott

Many of the composers we have looked at through this newsletter spot have been male, dead or from another country. Not that this should really matter of course but it is nice to have a change this month! Katy Abbott is a prime example of a young, female Australian composer. She is recognized by the musical community around the world, recently having her work "MultioSonics! For alto saxophone" premiered at the 18th World Saxophone Congress in Zagreb, Croatia. To enter, answer these questions. Forms available from the office and the Music room.

1. What year was Katy Abbott born in?
- 2a. Which Victorian City does she currently live in?
- 2b. Which university does she teach composition at?
3. Complete the names of these CD's of Katy Abbotts Music currently included on the bell music.

Sunburnt _____ 2. F _ M _ U _ (choral Music)

(Hint you can find answers to all of these if you complete a Google Search)



PE Report

Term 3 shapes up to be another busy 10 weeks with all age levels involved in exciting opportunities.

**** State Cross Country****

Well done to Tarhlee who represented the school at the State Cross Country Championships at Bundoora in week 1. Tarhlee ran a great race finishing 44th in the state. What an amazing effort!

**** After school sports****

This term we have a number of sports taking place after school with staff and family members giving up their time to coach our teams. Mr Whitaker has two Badminton teams taking part in the Badminton competition. Mr Dixon and Miss Q are coaching our 4 Grade 5/6 Basketball teams and our two Netball teams are continuing on from Term 2 with parents taking charge of our teams. Thanks to all who give up their time to give our students more opportunities to be active.

**** Junior Unit Gymnastics****

In week 4 the team from Ballarat Gymsports will be conducting Gymnastic sessions for our junior unit students. The program will run for 3 weeks in the student's PE time and introduce them to basic gymnastic skills and techniques.

**** Futsal Tournament****

In week 6 students from grades 3,4,5 and 6 will be given the opportunity to take part in an indoor futsal tournament at Major League. The Grade 3/4 competition will be on the Tuesday and the 5/6 competition will be on the Wednesday. More information will be coming out shortly.

Kane Tolliday



Step up to the Buddy Run and say no to bullying!

Introducing the Buddy Run, the first kids Fun Run from the Alannah & Madeline Foundation.

The Buddy Run promotes inclusion, respect and encourages kids to say no to bullying.

Sunday 21 October 2018
Alexandra Gardens from 10am

Breakfast will be provided on the day, plus loads of fun activities for the kids.



Visit www.buddyrun.org.au for more information.

REGISTER NOW

All funds raised will go towards our work keeping children safe from violence, bullying and cyber bullying.