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At Undera Primary School our vision is for all students to be independent, self-motivated learners with a love and curiosity for learning and to face challenges with courage to achieve life-long success.

**Term 4 Week 11 2022**

Important Dates: (also see website)

- **2023 First day of school for students Monday 30<sup>th</sup> January**
- **Teachers first day Friday 27<sup>th</sup> January**
- **School Council Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> February**

**No holiday birthdays**



**Attendance**

*Every Day Counts*

This semester our attendance rate was an average of 8.6 days absent per student or 84% attendance rate. Next year our aim is for 5 or less days per student per semester.

84%

**This week at UPS**

Farewell from Judith Slattery

Farewell, Merry Christmas and Happy New Year from Judith Slattery. She couldn't leave without saying a proper goodbye!

'Thank you to UPS for all the support it has given to me and the kinder over the last few years. Since I started in 2014 we couldn't help but have a close working relationship not only with families and their children transitioning from kinder to school but also with members of the Undera community and my involvement with a few programs at the school including gardening and music.

It has been an absolute pleasure being a part of your children's kinder and school journey and wish you all the very best for the coming years.'

Year 6 Farewell

Congratulations to both Eva and Gabriella who are off to secondary school next year. We wish you both all the best success and know that you will both try to achieve your personal best in all you do.

Quiet Achiever Award

This semester our Quiet Achiever Award went to Anton Lagana. Anton has shown a mature attitude towards all his learning. He tries his best and will persist when things get difficult, especially in Maths.

Christmas Raffle

A big thank you to everyone who donated prizes for our Christmas raffle – Mooroopna Hardware, Reid's Pharmacy Shepparton, Emma Cox, Robyn Bell, Muir family, Wiltshire family, Watts family

Raffle winners are on the next page!

School Concert

What a fantastic job our students did at the concert last night! They displayed confidence in each and every performance. We hope you enjoyed it!



**Merry Christmas  
and Happy Holidays  
from the staff at  
Undera PS**

**Robyn, Emma, Natalie,  
Caz**

# School Information

## Scholastic Books – New catalogue out now

Book Club catalogues have been sent home last week. You can now order books through the LOOP app. Here is a link to the parent's Guide to Book Club.

[https://issuu.com/scholastic\\_australia/docs/scholastic\\_book\\_club\\_parent\\_guide?fr=sODVIMDM0NDU5MDI](https://issuu.com/scholastic_australia/docs/scholastic_book_club_parent_guide?fr=sODVIMDM0NDU5MDI) It explains the easy steps to ordering online. For every book ordered our school receives reward points which are used to purchase more books for our classroom.



## Undera Primary School Bus

A big thank you to Nicole, our bus driver. Her mobile no. is **0458243454**



## PROTECT

Everyone has the right to be safe and be protected from abuse.

No one should behave in a way that makes you feel unsafe or afraid, including anyone in your family, anyone at school or anywhere else in the community.

Tell a teacher or any adult at your school if you feel unsafe.



It's everyone's responsibility.

Adults at school must listen and respond to concerns about child abuse.

If you suspect abuse of any child or young person, you have a responsibility to report it, even if you are not sure.

Further information & resources  
[www.education.vic.gov.au/protect](http://www.education.vic.gov.au/protect)



## Community News



Thank you to our sponsors -  
Mooroopna Hardware Timber  
and Building Supplies

## Free Education at Undera PS

Thanks to the Schools Plus grant program we are fortunate to offer our students free education for the next four years - 2022 to 2025.

This means no school fees, no-cost swimming program, free excursions and devices such as netbooks and/or iPads available for every student.



A massive thank you to Mooroopna Hardware and Teish from Reid's Pharmacy for their generous donation towards our Christmas raffle.



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