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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 3 Week 4 2023

What's happening at UPS

- **Thursday 24th August** – Book Week Parade
- **Friday 25th August** – Bendigo Discovery Centre excursion
- **Tuesday 29th August** – School Council meeting 5.30pm
- **Friday 1st September** – Father's Day afternoon tea
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August birthdays

8th – Matilda



Attendance

Every Day Counts

This week our attendance percentage is



We had a total of 12.5 days of student absence this week.

Please notify the school if your child is absent or late. Thank you.

Undera PS News

School Review

This week we commenced our school review process. The review happens every four years and is a process where, over two days, we evaluate the effectiveness of our teaching and learning programs over the past four years and set new goals and targets for the next four years. This process involves a panel of people including myself, two principals from neighbouring schools, our Senior Education Improvement Leader and our reviewer. The panel observed what teaching and learning looks like in our classrooms, and talked to a group of students and parents about what they liked about our school and what we could possibly do better. In a fortnight the panel will meet again to determine what we need to focus on to build school improvement over the next four years.

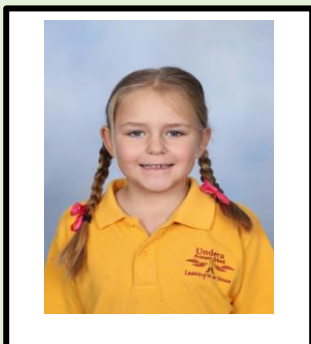
Parent Opinion Survey.

Next week all parents will have the opportunity to provide the school with feedback about our school by participating in the Parent Opinion Survey. The survey is not mandatory but all parents are encouraged to participate as the results are used by the school to look at ways we can further improve our programs. On Monday a link and pin will be sent home and emailed to all parents. Responses are confidential and we welcome constructive feedback that will aim to continue to move our school forward.

Book Week

Book Week is coming around fast. It's time for students to start thinking about the book character they will dress up as. Our parade will be held on at 9am on Thursday 24th August.

Students of the Week



Matilda Watts

For making her M+M graph really neat!



Anton Lagana

For displaying enthusiasm and self-motivation when learning about Australian Explorers.

School Information

Scholastic Books



Children bring home Scholastic Book Club catalogues twice each term. There is no pressure to purchase however the school earns points for any purchase you make. This helps stock our class libraries. Books can be ordered 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=sODVIMDMONDU5MDI It explains the easy steps to ordering online.

Undera Primary School Bus

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



Mental Health and Wellbeing at UPS

Staff at Undera Primary School would like to thank our school community for their support this week during our School Review.

One part of the review process involved a panel of principals observing each classroom for 20 minutes to see student learning in Literacy and Numeracy. Myself, Mrs Gaffy and Ms Bell are so proud of how all of the students conducted themselves during the day. They made our guests feel welcome in our classrooms and the playground. A big thank you also goes out to parents who attended. Staff really felt a great sense of positivity coming out of the day. We all really enjoyed showcasing just how great our little school is!

Emma Cox – Mental Health and Wellbeing Leader

Free Education at Undera PS

Thanks to the Schools Plus grant program we are fortunate to offer our students free education for the next three years – 2023 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. If you know of any new families looking for a great school please send them in our direction.

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



Community News

If you have anything you would like shared through our newsletter such as community events, please contact the school on 58260211 or email.

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