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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 3 2023

What's happening at UPS

- **Monday 30th October** – Prep transition (9-11am) and Parent Information session (9-10am)
- **Monday 6th November** – Pupil free day
- **Tuesday 7th November** – Melbourne Cup Day (no students at school)
- **Tuesday 14th November** – Excursion to the Shepparton lake (Senior room – yachting)

October birthdays.

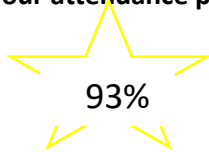


No birthdays this month!

Attendance

Every Day Counts

This week our attendance percentage is



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

Undera PS News

Pupil Free Day

Please note that School Council has approved Monday 6th November a a pupil free day. Teachers will use this day to begin writing reports.

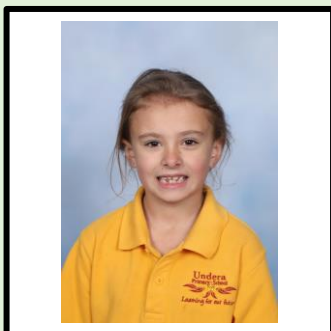
Excess IT equipment

We currently have some IT equipment that is no longer needed by the school. This includes a full set up with computer, keyboard, monitor and speakers. This system will require a wifi plugin or ethernet cable to connect to the wifi. It has been wiped and does not come with any warranty. We also have some excess monitors. If you would like any of this, first in best dressed, please send me a text or call.

Ardmona Primary School Visit

Today we hosted Ardmona primary School teachers and students. We had a great time coding their Beebots and getting them to follow our instructions. We also had music with Miss Cox and learnt the song Charlie in the Boat and played some rhythm games. We played Italian games with Rosa and had fun on the karts.

Students of the Week



Shekira Dzafer

For making mature decisions every day this week!



Luke Sturrock

For having a positive attitude towards his learning all week.

School Information



Undera Primary School Bus

Nicole is our dedicated and friendly bus driver. She can be contacted on **0458243454**.

Free Education at Undera PS

Thanks to the Schools Plus grant program we are fortunate to be able 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.

Mental Health and Wellbeing at UPS

Our 'Posi-School' program is near completion in both classrooms with both myself and Natalie finding that we can use the program as a base for extending our students knowledge in each mental health focus. The students are looking forward to wearing their 'Posi-Socks' which they will be able to keep at the end of the program. The paediatrician wait list is currently quite long. We have 1 student on the waiting list and 2 student who have had an appointment booked. I have been told that our students should all have appointments by early term 1. Student attendance has been very low over the past term, however we hope that this will rise this term with less student illness! I have set up a 'hygiene station' in my office for individual students who may need to borrow underwear, pants or hygiene products. This is more discreet for the students than going to the portable and quicker for teachers to access. If students borrow an item of clothing a note home is supplied in the pack that they take which requests parents to wash and send back the clothing. Once clothing is received back a new pack is made up with the student's name on it, so they are reusing underwear only they have borrowed.

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.

Scholastic Books



Welcome to our new families. 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.

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