Undera Primary School

Term 4, Week 2 2026

Newsletter

"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."

Undera PS News

Fifteen Mile Creek Camp

In Week 1 the Senior students attended Fifteen Mile Creek Camp with Zeerust PS. Our students were amazing, giving every challenge a go and getting along so well with the camp supervisors and Zeerust students. They were well-mannered, helpful and a delight to spend the week with. Thanks to Mrs Gaffy for taking our students on camp.

Swimming

This week we have enjoyed swimming lessons at Aquamoves. Our instructors have been great and students' swimming ability have grown immensely. Thank you to our parents who have helped out.

School Closure during Catastrophic Weather

Undera Primary SChool is a Category 4 school for grassfires. This means that when the fire danger in the Northern Country District is predicted to be CATASTROPHIC the school will close. Parents will be notified by text, email and via the Ueducateus app. For further information please see the flyer attached to this newsletter.

Enrolment information for 2027

Next term we begin planning for 2027. It is important for us to know if any families are leaving the school at the end of the year or if you know of any new families moving into the area. Please contact the school on 58260211 or via email.

150th Celebrations - RAFFLE TICKETS

We have raffle tickets for sale for $2 each. If you would like to buy some tickets, donate a prize or be part of this special day please contact the school on 58260211.

October Birthdays

No birthdays this month



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Facebook: https://www.facebook.com/underaprimaryschool
Principal: Ms Robyn Bell



Values Award Winners



Eric Milroy

Responsibility

Eric has shown responsibility by making strong choices and managing distractions int he classroom. Great work Eric! 🙂



Senior Room Campers

Excellence

Matilda, Cassidy, Lewis, Henry & Shay displayed all our values & made the camp fun for all! 🙂

Attendance

Every Day Counts!

Our attendance goal is 95%

This week our attendance percentage is

96%

A total of 5

days absent this fortnight.

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

School Information

Free Education at Undera PS

Thanks to the Schools Plus grant program we are fortunate to be able to offer our students free education.
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.

Undera Primary School Bus

Nicole is our dedicated bus driver!



She can be contacted on 0458243454.

School Uniform

Our uniform is supplied by Quality Teams Benalla Road, Shepparton.

Important Dates

Wedensday 28th October- School Council 2:15pm

Monday 2nd November - Pupil Free Day

Tuesday 3rd November - Melbourne Cup Day (no school)

Saturday 7th November - 150th Anniversary Celebrations

Monday 9th November - Victoria Park Lake excursion

Friday 13th November - Cluster Day: Questacon Science Circus Day at Zeerust PS

Friday 20th November - craft with Sarah from Bunnings

Scholastic Book Club

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=sODVlMDMONDU5MDI

It explains the easy steps to ordering online.

Our Community Sponsors

If you would like to join our list of sponsors please contact the school for further details.

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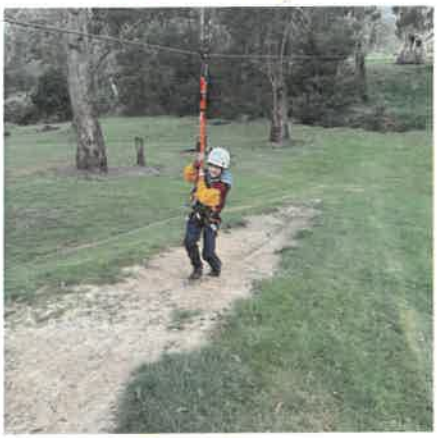
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If you have anything you would like shared through our newsletter such as community events, please contact the school on 58260211 or email undera.ps@education.vic.gov.au

On Tuesday 6th October our senior students set off to Fifteen Mile Creek camp with Zeerust PS students. We had so much fun!































Swimming Lessons
























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School preparations for the bushfire season



Each year, we undertake a range of activities to ensure the safety of our school and to prepare for bushfires and grassfires.

An important part of this process is communicating to parents what will happen when certain fire danger ratings are issued to help ensure the safety of students and staff.

Our school has been identified as being at risk of bushfire or grassfire and is a Category 4 school.

Our school will **close** on a day forecasted as **Catastrophic fire danger rating** in **Northern Country, fire district.**

Closure of the school due to a Catastrophic fire danger rating will be enacted when the Bureau of Meteorology forecast and related public safety messaging are confirmed. Due to uncertainties in the forecast, the timing of this confirmation may vary. Information regarding potential or confirmed Catastrophic fire danger days will be communicated to you by text message and email.

It is also important to be aware that:

- No one will be on site on days where the school is closed due to a forecast Catastrophic day.
- All bus routes that travel through the Catastrophic area will be cancelled.
- School camps will be cancelled if a Catastrophic fire danger rating day is forecast for fire weather district in which the camp is located, or if the travel involves passing through areas that have Catastrophic fire danger.

As part of preparing our school for the fire season, we have updated and completed our Emergency Management Plan and taken all precautions to prepare for the threat of fire.

What can families and the school community do to help us prepare?

- Ensure we have your current contact details, including your mobile phone numbers.
- Keep in touch with us by reading our newsletters, checking our website [Undera Primary School (underaps.vic.edu.au)], by talking to your child's teacher or any other member of the teaching staff about our emergency management plan.
- Make sure your family's bushfire survival plan is up-to-date and includes alternative care arrangements if our school is closed due to Catastrophic fire danger. Further information can be found on the CFA's website.
- Action your family's bushfire survival plan if your own triggers are met. Our school community may be spread out across many areas and some families may be at higher risk than others. Your family's safety is critical, so please let us know if you are actioning your bushfire survival plan and if your children will be absent on these days.
- If your child is old enough, talk to them about bushfires and your family's bushfire survival plan.

Families are encouraged to action their Bushfire Survival Plan on Catastrophic fire danger rating days in their district. The safest option is to leave the night before or early on the morning of the Catastrophic day. **On such days, children should never be left at home alone or in the care of older children.**

You can find more information on emergencies, warnings and preparedness actions here:

- VicEmergency app – that can be downloaded on your android and iOS mobile devices
- VicEmergency Hotline (1800 226 226)
- Website https://emergency.vic.gov.au
- Facebook (https://www.facebook.com/vicemergency)
- Twitter (https://twitter.com/vicemergency)
- ABC local radio, Sky News and other emergency broadcasters

Frequently Asked Questions

What is the department's policy?

The Department of Education annually assesses the fire risk of all schools and early childhood services with the support of the Commonwealth Scientific and Industrial Research Organisation (CSIRO). They are allocated a category of risk (categories 0 to 6). Schools and services that are Categories 0-3 are published on the Bushfire At-Risk Register (BARR). Schools at some risk of bushfire and grassfire are published on the Category 4 List.

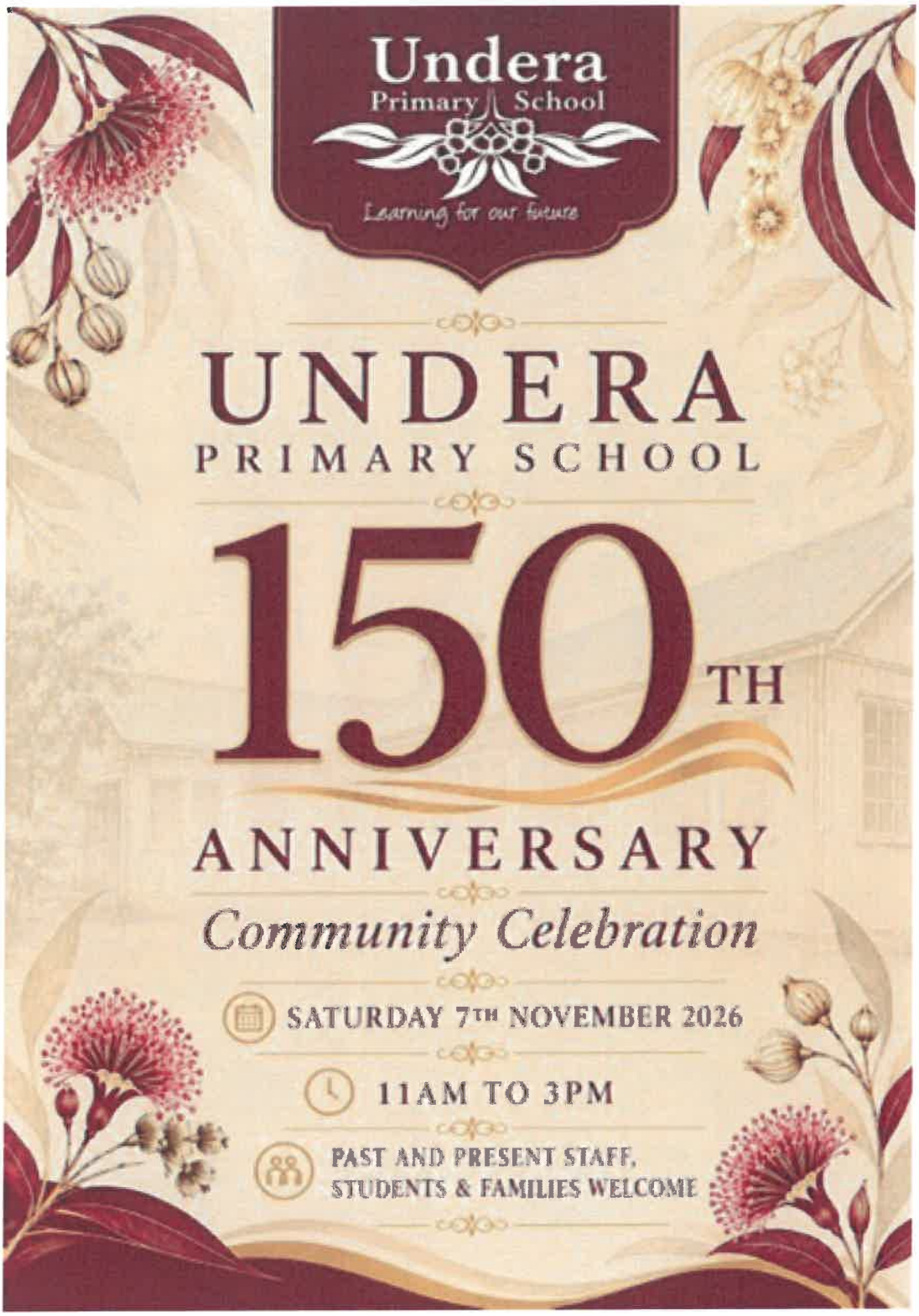
The department's Bushfire and Grassfire Preparedness Policy requires all schools and early childhood services on the BARR and the Category 4 List to close when a Catastrophic fire danger rating day is forecast in their fire weather district. All school bus routes which travel in or through a district with Catastrophic fire danger must also be cancelled.

The policy also requires that schools at the highest risk of bushfire (those in Categories 0, 1 and 2 of the Bushfire At-Risk Register) enact pre-emptive action plans based on the fire danger forecast for their Local Government Area (LGA).

Who issues fire danger forecasts?

The Bureau of Meteorology (BoM) provides public fire danger rating forecasts each day of the fire danger period using fire weather district areas. In Victoria, there are 9 fire weather districts, which are based on Local Government Area boundaries.

The department uses these forecasts when supporting schools to enact their pre-emptive bushfire actions plans.



All present and past staff, students and families are welcome.

We are currently selling raffle tickets for $2 each. We have over $1000 in donations. If you would like to either buy some raffle tickets or donate a prize please contact the school on 58260211. Thank you