Principal’s Message

Positive Behaviour for Learning relaunch
The PBL relaunch was a terrific afternoon of educational and social activity. The noise emanating out of the hall when students discovered Buster the Bee was exceptional. My sincere thanks to Mrs. Blanch and everyone associated with the PBL Team for an exceptional event that has certainly put PBL back into focus for our students and staff.

Glee Club performances
Mr. Thornton and Mrs Brennan are happy with the progress of our Glee Club and Ukulele performers in yesterday’s rehearsal. They are working diligently in preparation for their performances at the South Coast Country Music Festival on Sunday 27 May. I wish the very best for students, Mrs Brennan and Mr. Thornton, as they continue their rehearsals. I look forward to their performances in a couple of weeks’ time.

National Reconciliation Week [NRW]
NRW will be held 27 May – 3 June. NRW commemorates two significant events; the successful 1967 referendum and the High Court Mabo decision. Students and staff from our school will participate in two events supporting NRW including a morning tea next Thursday 24 May and the Reconciliation Walk at Bellambi Public School on Friday 1 June. I look forward to Unanderra’s participation in the Reconciliation Walk growing over the coming years and I am very keen to participate with our nominated students and staff this year. I encourage you to review information regarding NRW through: https://www.reconciliation.org.au/national-reconciliation-week/

Sunday experiences
I wonder whether you have ever considered the exceptional value that is provided by Transport NSW each and every Sunday. Each Sunday there is a Sunday Travel Cap that ensures every OPAL card is charged a maximum of $2.60 for travel on trains, buses, ferries and light rail. My family enjoy a few Sunday trips each year to Sydney by train to ride the ferries and light rail to destinations throughout the city. We can highly recommend it as a cost-effective and fun day out.
Multicultural Public Speaking
Selected Stage 3 students will be competing in the school-based round of the Multicultural Public Speaking competition this Friday in the hall. Students presenting their speech were already successful through in-class assessments so the level of presentation will be good. The students will present their speeches between 11:30am – 12:30pm, please feel welcome to drop-in and enjoy the presentations.

Book Fair
This morning I purchased Short by Holly Goldberg Sloan for my youngest daughter from Miss. Prior’s book fair. There are amazing titles and loads of fun extras like erasers, pencils and bookmarks. Please find the time to browse the fair this week, it really is worth it.

Craig Redfern
Principal

UPS Wins Dapto District Cross Country 2018

Congratulations to all of the children from Unanderra P.S. who participated in the District Cross Country on Thursday 10 May, at Kembla Joggers. All of our children finished the long and difficult course successfully and represented our school proudly.

With so many great results across all age groups, we were the overall winning school on the day!

Thank you to the family members who came to support their children on the day and enjoyed the beautiful Autumn weather.

11 of our wonderful runners will now go on to represent our school and district at the South Coast Regional Carnival, to be held in Nowra on Friday 1 June.

Congratulations and good luck to the following children:
Janaya (5/6M)
Tahlia (5/6B)
Indiana (3/4B)
Sarina (3/4L)
Liam (3/4B)
Adam (1/2W)
Phoenix (3/4D)
Skylah (5/6B)
Brodie (5/6F)
Zane (5/6F)
Charlotte (5/6N)

Congratulations to all of our competitors and good luck in Nowra!

Matt Batley, Sports Coordinator
**School Banking Update**

5/6F have done it again, and they’ve equalled 1/2W’s score of 6 on the Class Winners tally! The leaderboard now stands as follows: 1/2W: 6, 5/6F: 6, 1/2C and 3/4B are tied on 2.

Any volunteers and enquiries can be directed via the school office, a note in the red banking bin in the school foyer on Tuesdays or come and see us at 9am Tuesdays in the old uniform shop.

School Banking Coordinators and volunteers,
Jodien Mortlock, Jenny Evans, Nicole Martin and Joanne Egan.

---

**P & C NEWS:**

Welcome to the UPS P & C News!

**Next P & C Meeting:** The next meeting will be held **Monday 4th June** at 7pm.

We would love to be able to continue our current level of fundraising and keep providing the school with resources and services that benefit the education of our children, to do this we need *your* support, come along to a meeting and have your say, everyone is welcome.

**Upcoming Events for Term 2:**

- **Entertainment book** There has been a delay in the delivery of the books. The 2018/2019 edition will be sent home Thursday 31st May just in time as the previous books finish before June! The link to purchase is available on the schools Facebook page. The book is a great way to save loads of money so be sure to check it out.

- **Mother’s Day** was a huge success! There appeared to be some confusion amongst new parents around the stall, the best thing to do in this instance is to speak to the school, your teacher or myself. Reading the Newsletter is also a great way to get information.

- **Trivia Night** We will start our organising for the upcoming Trivia Night shortly and will need some assistance. If you are willing to approach any business or are part of a business whom could help with raffle prizes then let me know. If you are able to assist in other ways drop me an email.

- **Cookie Dough!** We are going to be sending forms home soon for Billy G’s Gourmet Cookie Dough again so keep an eye out for the form – just in time for winter!

- **School Hats** are available at the canteen for $11.

Thank you
Jennifer Lewin, P & C President
South Coast Country Music Association

invite you to join us at

Family Day

SUNDAY MAY 27TH

in the Main Auditorium at the

DAPTO LEAGUES CLUB

PROGRAM

GALA CONCERT

10.30am - 12.30pm

Featuring

Members of the ILLAWARRA RISING STARS

New Generation Team 2018, The Red Bandanas

and UNANDERRA PUBLIC SCHOOL Students

LUNCH 12.30pm - 1.30pm

Followed by

WALK-UPS

Bring your charts and sing your heart out!

Backing Band: COUNTRY FUSION

COST: Members $3 Non-Members $5

Demonstrating SCCMA Mission Statement of “fostering young talent” in the Illawarra area

For more information about the SCCMA Contact: secretary@sccma.com.au

or visit our website: www.sccma.com.au
I wish to inform all connected with the school. A group of people with connections to the 1978 School Centenary Celebrations, have for the past years held a dinner, where we reminisce & catch up with “Derra School” friends.

As noted during our last years gathering, age & time are slowly making an impact on the numbers that attend. Also noted that this year (2018) will be the 140th anniversary of the school, with the next major milestone being the 150th anniversary in 10 years time.

As the numbers are reducing among the old school community it may be an appropriate time to see if there is an interest among the current School community in continuing with this function.

An invitation is extended to the current school community to participate in this function.

The dinner is normally held last week in June (this year date Thursday 28th) commencing at 12 noon, at Murphy’s Bar and Grill Princes Highway Unanderra.

Further details may be obtained from

Mrs Gloria McGirr 42 717 356
Lyn Jones 42 711404

Neil Bott
Email: lazy 2trave1@gmail.com

Unanderra Public School will, as a service to parents, advertise community news for not for profit organisations and charities, which may be of interest. UPS does not necessarily endorse or sponsor the events and accepts no responsibility to the management or organisation of these events.