

# Unanderra Public School

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## Principal's Message

### Education Week

It was great to be a part of our Education Week assembly last Thursday to share the ways we celebrate the theme 'every student, every voice'. We were treated to some great performing arts items from the choir and glee club. We also celebrated the talents of our rising lego stars and kindness champions. My thanks to all of the community members who came to enjoy the assembly, visit classrooms and share recess with us. Your support made it a truly special event.

### Brainstorm Production

Messages about how to be assertive, resilient and safe from cyberbullying were delivered in a fun and engaging way at our recent educational theatre production 'The Protectors'. During the performance students were empowered to build their skills in using empathy, assertiveness and impulse control to support their own confidence and positive relationships.

The fast-paced digital age that we currently exist in certainly presents lots of challenges for young people and their parents and carers. If you are looking for further ways to support your children around responsible use of technology, the eSafety commissioner website <https://esafety.gov.au/> provides fantastic support on a broad range of topics.

### Southern Stars 'Come Alive'

Excitement levels are high this week as students and staff make final preparations for Southern Stars 'Come Alive'. Wednesday and Thursday will see the commencement of full show rehearsals with Friday signalling the beginning of 4 shows to packed audiences. I look forward to searching the sea of 3000 faces for our students when I attend the Friday evening performance. My thanks to Miss Duncan and Miss Cooper for their support behind the scenes and wish all students the best of luck!

*Cody Breasley*

Relieving Principal

## What's coming up

### Wednesday August 21

- Southern Stars Rehearsal
- Gymnastic K-2

### Thursday August 22

- Southern Stars Rehearsal

### Friday August 23

- Southern Stars Performances

### Wednesday August 28

- Gymnastics 3-6

### Thursday August 29

- Fathers Day Stall

### Monday September 2

- Spelling Bee Finals

### Tuesday September 3

- Public Speaking Comp K-2

### Thursday September 5

- Interrelate

### Friday September 6

- Literature Day
- Book Week Parade

### Tuesday September 10

- Gold Assembly

### Thursday September 19

- Excursion Killalea

### Saturday November 9

- Village Fair



### Stage 3 Camp to Canberra

Last week, students in Stage 3 travelled to Canberra for a 3 day camp, to support our history unit on Australian Government and Democracy. During our time in Canberra we visited Parliament House, the War Memorial, The National Museum, Questacon, The Royal Australian Mint, The National Arboretum, the

Australian Institute of Sport and even had some fun at Laser Zone. Students had a great time visiting new places and learning lots of new things about our country. It was also a great time to build new friendships and strengthen already existing ones. The sun came out for us, but the chilly nights kept everyone indoors (thank goodness!). We are so proud of the students and the behaviour they displayed whilst on camp. Thank you to all the parents who supported their children in attending this camp and the staff; Kylee Denham, Renae Scruby, Rebecca McCabe and Chris Mott, who accompanied the students, for without them it wouldn't have been possible. I also would like to recognise the support of the Australian Government through the PACER contribution.



Natalie Blanch  
Stage 3 Coordinator



**It is fantastic to see more students reaching 100 nights of Home Reading.**

**Well done to:**

**Charlotte 1C**

**Dakota 1C**

**Daniel M 1C**

**Chase C 1/2D**

**100 nights of reading**

**Natalee Breenan**  
**Learning & Support Teacher**



The iHub is an ever evolving space which changes on the basis of feedback and collaboration from students, staff and parents/carers, We have developed a survey to gather your thoughts . We understand time is precious and we appreciate every parents/carers opinion. We have made the survey short and it will only take a few minutes to complete.

Please complete the survey using the link below.

Parents & Community

<https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/LYCK7TN>

Thanks in advance,  
Miss Prior and Mrs Kyriazis

## Number Crunchers



During Term 2, some Stage 3 students participated in our first ever Number Crunchers challenge. Number Crunchers is an exciting and challenging mathematics competition for Year 6 students where students answer a range of mental mathematics problems in a given time.

Points were tallied and our highest point scorer, Alexis Evans, was selected to represent our school at the Semi Final at Mt St Thomas Public School. Alexis was up against some strong competition, however after many rounds of tough mathematical questions, she was successful in progressing to the championships to be held at Connells Point Public School on the 2<sup>nd</sup> of September. Congratulations Alexis for this amazing achievement and we wish you the best of luck for the championships!

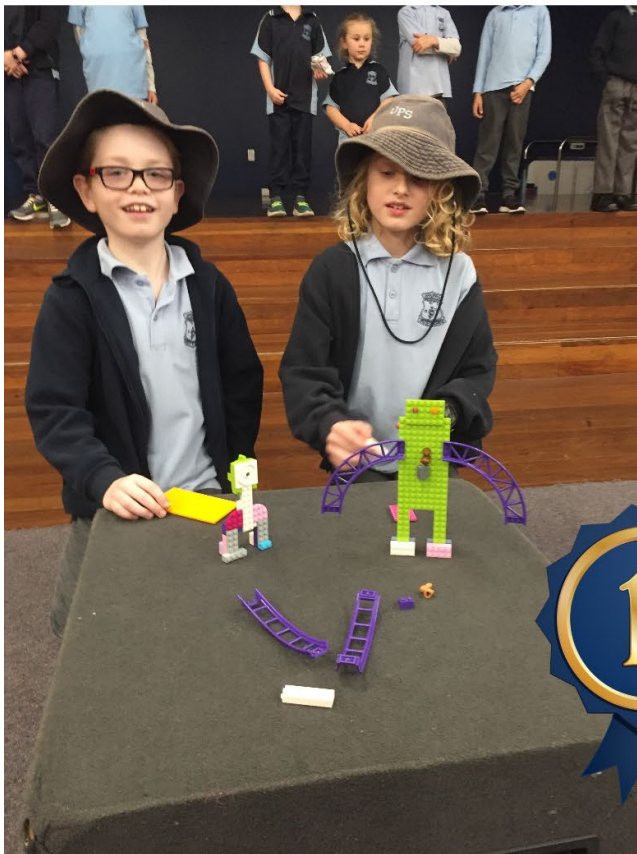
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Stage 3 Coordinator





## Lego Masters

In a test of team work, skill and creativity participants in the Lego Masters competition took on the challenge to create their ultimate Lego monster. K-2 and 3-6 pairings competed under tight timeframes over recess and lunch to build their masterpieces with K-2 students responding well to the 'twist' of having to construct a side-kick for their monster with only 10 minutes remaining and 3-6 students having the added challenge of using their 'break-and-build' skills to turn the K-2 monsters into something even more spectacular. Contestants were cheered on by an enthusiastic crowd made up of student and teacher Lego enthusiasts. Our creations were judged by Mr Redfern with consideration given to story-telling, unconventional brick use and creativity. Congratulations to our winners Oscar and Alex (K-2) and Janaya and Charlotte (3-6)



## UPS BOOK PARADE

**When:** Friday September 6, Week 7

**Time:** 2pm

**Where:** In the Hall

**Start planning your costumes**

My favourite term is here. We will be celebrating Australian children's literature in the iLibrary all term.

Students will also have an opportunity to enter the Book Week Poster competition with entries due Wednesday Week 7.

From Ms Prior





## BANKING UPDATE

### Class Winners

The class winners for Week 4 were 5/6B and this week it was a tie between 3/4W and 5/6B. The leaderboard is now as follows: 5/6B: 19, 3/4W: 9 and K1/E: 2.



### Bank Branch Services

We continue to receive requests to provide personal account details, such as account balances. School Banking Coordinators do not have access to account details. Such information must be sourced from a Commonwealth Bank branch. If you are not receiving regular account statements, this can be addressed at a branch, also.

Any enquiries or offers to volunteer to help with school banking can be directed to our School Banking Coordinators via the school office or come and see us from 9:00am on Tuesdays in the resources room (old uniform shop) on the Northern wall of the hall.

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

## COME ALIVE FOR SOUTHERN STARS 2019

Rehearsals for Southern Stars 2019 **COME ALIVE** are in full swing, with public school students taking part in a wide range of dance, music, drama and vocal rehearsals around the Illawarra - and the state.

**COME ALIVE**, featuring 3000 public school students, will take place over four performances at the WIN Entertainment Centre in Wollongong on Friday August 23 (10am and 7:30pm) and Saturday August 24 (2pm and 7:30pm).

This year **COME ALIVE** features circus, the NSW Millennial Marching Band, 2000 dancers, a 600 strong choir, a full orchestra, our hugely popular boys vocal ensemble, the Aboriginal Dance Ensemble Yanggaa Garaba, and the amazing talents of the best featured student vocalists and performers in Southern NSW, and much, much more!

You don't have to know someone in the show to buy a ticket. Southern Stars is a world-class arena spectacular show which is suitable for all ages, and most of all is entertainment at its finest. Buy your tickets now before they sell out!

Remember to purchase your tickets **ONLY** through the registered ticket seller - Ticketmaster at:  
[www.ticketmaster.com.au](http://www.ticketmaster.com.au)

You can keep up to date with the show's progress with pictures and video from rehearsals uploaded daily to our Facebook page **Southern Stars – The Arena Spectacular** and our Instagram page at **southernstarsarenaspectacular**.

# Unanderra P&C News

Welcome to Weeks 5-6, Term 3

Wow, what a week! Thank you to all of our amazing Pie Drive fundraisers and volunteers. You all did an amazing job of sorting the HUGE order of yummy treats and pies. Well done! And thank you to Queen Street Bakery for delivering such yummy products that taste amazing!

## Congratulations to the Pie Drive Winners...

**1<sup>st</sup> Prize**= \$35 Queen Street Bakery Birthday Cake voucher plus a bonus plain pie **Winner- Cooper E (1/2D) & Aidan East (5/6L)**

**2<sup>nd</sup> Prize**= \$35 Queen Street Bakery Birthday Cake voucher  
**Winner- Amelia H (3/4L)**

**3<sup>rd</sup> Prize** = Bonus Plain Pie

**Winner- Mariah W (3/4A) & Zane H (2M)**

**Random Draw of fundraiser with \$100 or more of sales =**  
Bonus Plain Pie **Winner- Bridie H (5/6L)**

Thank you to Country Grocer Unanderra for donating the boxes for easy home transport.

Thank you for supporting the P&C Pie Drive. We raised a total of **\$3,176.50** which will be allocated to our goal of the HP Laptops for the students!!!

15x HP Laptops on the portable stand as a classroom bookable resource for the whole school



## Community BBQ Update

Thank you to all of our fantastic volunteers who contributed to our successful event. Without you we would not have been able to proceed. We successfully sold approx 600 sausage sandwiches plus drinks. We had the best chefs attending our BBQ all day, with the last sausage sizzle served hot at 4:10pm. Our total profit was **\$1327.28** plus \$182.20 in donations on the day.

I would like to thank Woolworths Unanderra for donating the bread, Country Grocer Unanderra for donating the onions and Aish's Seafood Berkeley for donating the ice to keep everything cold.

## Upcoming Fathers Day Stall

Our Father's Day Stall is scheduled for Thursday 29<sup>th</sup> August. All gifts are once again \$5. We have a great selection for all those Dads, Pops, Grandfathers, Granddads and Special people in our childrens lives. Please provide a bag for your child to take the gift home in. Volunteers are welcome on the day. Please come along and meet in the school hall from **8:45am**. This is a great community event.



### Join us at the next P&C Meeting

We understand it is difficult to get out of the home at witching hour, but we make it worth while and a bit of fun. Plan ahead and mark it in your diary to come join us in person or via the video link.

**Monday 2 September – 7:00pm – 8:30pm held in the Staff Room**

**Zoom Meeting Link- <https://us04web.zoom.us/j/811227116>**

### Upcoming P&C Events

Fri 20th July	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Entertainment Books</b></li> <li>• Could all families with outstanding books please return them to the office ASAP</li> </ul>
Thur 29 Aug	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Fathers Day Stall</b></li> <li>• All gifts \$5 for all students to purchase that special gift. Please bring a bag to take your gift home.</li> </ul>
Thur 5 Sept	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Interrelate from 6pm</b></li> <li>• For our Stage 2 &amp; Stage 3 students. Please return your permission notes ASAP. Refer to Skoolbag for more info.</li> </ul>
Fri 13 Sept	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Spell-a-thon</b></li> <li>• Keep an eye out for your sponsorship forms early September</li> </ul>

Thank you  
Jodien Mortlock – P&C Vice President

# When kids ask "the" questions... Interrelate has the answers!

**Interrelate is a specialist organisation with over 90 years' experience teaching sexuality and relationship education in NSW schools. Interrelate educators are highly trained and skillful presenters.**

The topic of sexuality is handled with sensitivity, openness and humour. The program offers an interactive approach to learning, with a variety of audio-visual materials, discussions and games.

## Session 1: Where did I come from?

1-hour session: Years 3-6

## Session 2: Preparing for puberty

1-hour session: Years 5-6

Years 3-4 can attend at parent's discretion

Specialty books are available for purchase on the night.

Keep a look out for flyers (coming home with your child before the program) outlining session content.



# Changes to school buses

## Monday 12 August

There will be adjustments to some school bus service times for Illawarra Christian School.

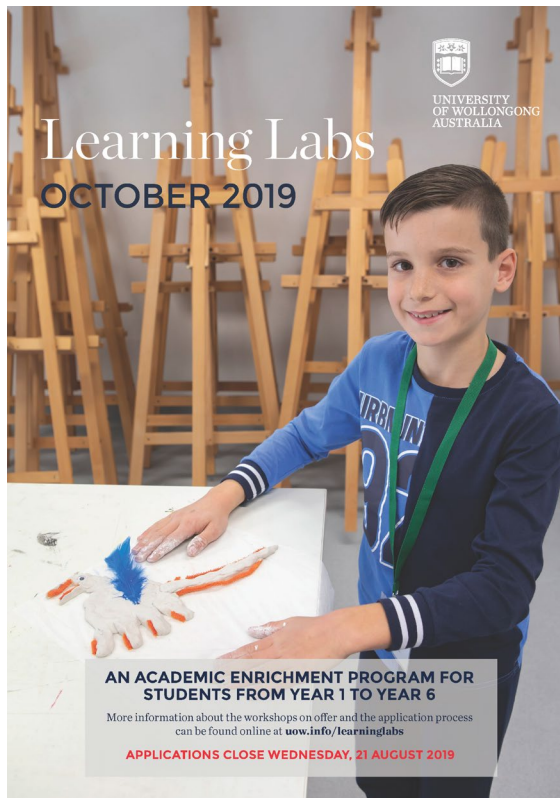
Route	Where to catch your bus
S122	Shellharbour Depot to Illawarra Christian School via Albion Park now departs at 7.30am

This service will now depart 15 minutes earlier.

For more details, visit [transportsw.info](http://transportsw.info) and search for 'School travel'.



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**Learning Labs**  
**OCTOBER 2019**

UNIVERSITY OF WOLLONGONG AUSTRALIA

**AN ACADEMIC ENRICHMENT PROGRAM FOR STUDENTS FROM YEAR 1 TO YEAR 6**

More information about the workshops on offer and the application process can be found online at [uow.info/learninglabs](http://uow.info/learninglabs)

**APPLICATIONS CLOSE WEDNESDAY, 21 AUGUST 2019**

<b>LITTLE LEARNING LABS</b> (FOR YEARS 1 & 2 DURING 2019)	
WHEN:	30 September and 1 October, 2019
WHERE:	University of Wollongong
TIME:	9:00am - 2:00pm
FEE:	\$160
<b>LITTLE MINI-LABS</b> (FOR YEARS 1 & 2 DURING 2019)	
WHEN:	2 October, 2019
TIME:	9:00am - 3:00pm
FEE:	\$85
Location and times are the same as above	
<b>EARLY LEARNING LABS</b> (FOR YEARS 3 TO 6 DURING 2019)	
WHEN:	3 and 4 October, 2019
WHERE:	University of Wollongong
TIME:	9:00am - 3:30pm
FEE:	\$170
<b>EARLY MINI-LABS</b> (FOR YEARS 3 TO 6 DURING 2019)	
WHEN:	2 October, 2019
FEE:	\$90
Location and times are the same as above	



### PROGRAM INFORMATION

Little and Early Learning Labs is an enrichment program designed for students who are excelling in their area of interest within their year group, and are seeking a challenging and fun experience during the school holidays.

All workshops are held over one (mini-labs) or two days, and are presented by teachers with specialist training or a specific interest in gifted education. There will be sponsorship places available for some participants - please see more details on how to apply for these places on the website.

### WORKSHOPS ON OFFER- FULL LIST & WORKSHOP DESCRIPTIONS ONLINE

Learning Labs workshops cover a range of diverse and innovative disciplines that are designed to challenge and stimulate the interest of self-motivated and curious learners. Here are some examples of what's coming up in October:



**What Happens When**  
In this workshop we'll do the science experiments you wouldn't get to do in the classroom. Things will fizz, pop, smoke and explode in our quest to find what happens when...



**Clay Cafe**  
Come join us at Clay Cafe where you get to develop your clay sculpting skills whilst creating any food (made completely out of air-dried clay) of your taste buds desire. Warning! You may leave this workshop with an increased appetite!



**The Droid Building School**  
This is your opportunity to learn to communicate with robots and teach them to develop tasks, learn to assemble, program and use sensors. Nobody knows that maybe you are the next Tony Stark or a droid build builder.



**EVS Robotics**  
Bring the fascinating world of robotics alive with Lego Mindstorms EV3. We'll go through the process of assembling sturdy robots that you can modify or customise and then work with your partner to problem solve your way through a number of challenges before we prepare our robots for the grand finale - a Samsa battle!

A full list of the available workshops to choose from will be posted on the website in July 2019 when applications open. Please note that the program books up quite quickly, so ensure you submit your application as early as possible.

### APPLICATION & CONTACT DETAILS

For more detailed workshop descriptions, how to apply, FAQs, and the online application form, please go to: [uow.info/learninglabs](http://uow.info/learninglabs)

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