

UNGARRA PRIMARY SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

TERM TWO * WEEK 9* 2022



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PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

A huge thank you to Sharon Campbell who is retiring at the end of the term. Sharon has been so dedicated, organised hardworking and a joy to work with over many years. You have the kindest of personalities and are always willing to support the school and students in any way possible.

An example of your hard work has been through the creation of the end of year school magazines that you have toiled over for thousands of extra hours over the years. Those magazines will be a legacy that you have left upon the Ungarra school community and we are grateful for

your contribution to this and many other aspects of Ungarra Primary School in your time here.

Thank you to all those that could make it to our Pastoral Care Worker, Nicole Clark's Commissioning last Sunday. It was so lovely having the event to sing, pray and wish her well in her new role. Nicole is already having a positive impact in her new role creating a sink for the garden to wash vegetables, promoting wellbeing in her new area in the Stone Room and assisting with school lessons and events. Thank you Nicole, we wish you all the best with your role.

Congratulations to Kelly for successfully completing her stint as Acting Principal of Port Neill. This has been a valuable experience for Kelly to bolster her leadership capabilities at another site. Laura Smith allowed the teaching and learning program to continue smoothly for our Junior Primary students. Gymnastics has been an engaging program for students to develop their movement skills. The Cummins Gymnastics Complex and coaching by Bernie Crettenden has been superb.

I was very proud of the Upper Primary student's sportsmanship and competitiveness at the basketball tournament last week. It is pleasing to witness the students upholding our school values when on excursions.

Staff have been analysing students persuasive writing. I have witnessed noticeable improvement in writing samples from early in the term to now. Students are more confident writers who are using sophisticated persuasive techniques such as modality, rhetorical questions and emotive language, whilst giving more substance and evidence to their arguments.

The Student Free Day was very valuable for staff to develop a deeper knowledge of spelling and how we can improve this within our own teaching and learning for our students.

Wishing the Ungarra school community, a positive rest of the term and restful holiday break.



Rory Hunt, Principal

NEWS CORNER:

A heartfelt FAREWELL and THANKYOU to Sharon for your tireless contributions to Ungarra Primary School.

Parents are welcome to pop in for a cuppa to say goodbye to Sharon next Monday afternoon from 2.45 pm.

NICOLE'S COMMISSIONING...



DIARY DATES:

JULY 1	ASSEMBLY 3.10 pm
JULY 6	GYMNASTICS @ CUMMINS SOCCER T.B.A.S.
JULY 8	LAST DAY—2.30 DISMISSAL
August 17	CLEVE FIELD DAYS CLOSURE

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CPW UPDATE—NICOLE CLARK

Well, I can't believe we are nearly at the end of our second term. Thank you to you all for your support, and for everyone who attended my commissioning service on Sunday night. I am feeling very blessed to have this role in such a great community and school. It has been so great to get started in my PCW role.

A little bit about me. I grew up on our family farm in Wudinna. I really appreciate now, as an adult, and a parent what growing up in a small country town, with such a close community means. Ungarra is such a welcoming and friendly place, and we have felt so welcomed and blessed to be here, and excited for our children to grow up in such a great community.

For young people growing up, to be surrounded and supported by such a great community is so special and comforting as a parent. To be part of that community, and being able to surround and support families, particularly as a Pastoral Care Worker is a role, I feel very privileged to have.

In the past 15 years I have had many roles in early childhood. Working in schools and kindergartens and even running my own Family Day Care service. I have loved all these roles. I enjoy listening to children and seeing the world from their view, even learning a thing or two from them along the way. I am really looking forward to supporting the Ungarra School staff, families and students where and when I can as a Pastoral Care Worker.

My focus this term has been getting to know the students, just listening to them is an important part of my role as a PCW. I did have the chance, at the beginning of the term, to attend the Lower EP Cross Country in Port Lincoln with the upper primary students who participated. It was a great day, and so encouraging to see them support and encourage each other on, and all the students did very well. The Students Leaders and I also ran a successful, and delicious, Biggest Morning Tea, enjoyed by many parents and visitors from the Playcentre with money raised from this going to the cancer council. Another event I was able to participate in with staff and students was Walk Safely to School Day, which was a bit of a novelty for most of the bus students and it was great to see everyone so keen to participate.

This term some of the students and I started a small recycling project, turning something old into something new and useful. Students have been busy pulling old pallets apart to make a new garden kitchen sink more suitable for the smaller students to use, this has been great fun. It was great to see them so enthusiastic to participate and pick up the tools. The sink is now finished and ready for washing all the yummy produce from the garden. I am looking forward to doing more projects like this with students.



SPORTING SCHOOLS GYMNASTICS



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IN THE GARDEN—TERM 2 2022



It has been a busy term in the garden with lots happening. Our latest project has been designing and perfecting the 'Spacinator'. This started out as an egg carton to space out seeds (seed planting with kids ;what could go wrong)? #!

The egg carton was extremely successful and our broad beans and peas are looking fantastic, evenly spaced out and planted at an appropriate depth. The students have been designing Spacinator on the 3d printer, hopefully these will be printed soon. As we had lots of seeds to plant last week we improvised and came up with the one pictured. It seemed to work well. We will wait and see how good our germination is soon.



As always there is lots happening here are just some of the things we achieved this term.

- Pruning fruit trees and the grape vine
- Harvesting avocados, apples, citrus, guavas, quince and more
- Construction of the new compost bays
- Digging over beds and adding our own compost
- Trialling developing their own organic pest control sprays
- Studying insects
- Planting seeds, seedlings and a donated boysenberry
- Lots of weeding
- Transplanting the Chinese gooseberry
- Digging up Jerusalem artichokes and horseradish

UNGARRA PLAYCENTRE * T 2 * WEEK 8/9*2022

In week 8 we made and decorated some hats, painted with watercolours and cotton buds, played outside and had some guest story tellers.

Mr Hunt might lose his job as the boys did a fantastic job reading! In the afternoon session we spent a lot of time in the Mud Kitchen and enjoyed some games of memory.



This week in the morning session we used watercolours to paint butterflies, played with dinosaurs in the sand and drove the red cars—one of our favourite things to do!



In the afternoon we went to the plantation, played in the mud kitchen, went on the big playground and Arnold completed a giant Under The Sea puzzle!





“Expression of Interest “

for children attending Tumby Bay Kindergarten in 2023

Please contact ginnw.mctaggart145@schools.sa.edu.au via email if you are looking at enrolling your child at Tumby Bay Kindergarten for an 'expression of interest' form or to request a hard copy – please include your address.

Eligibility for preschool

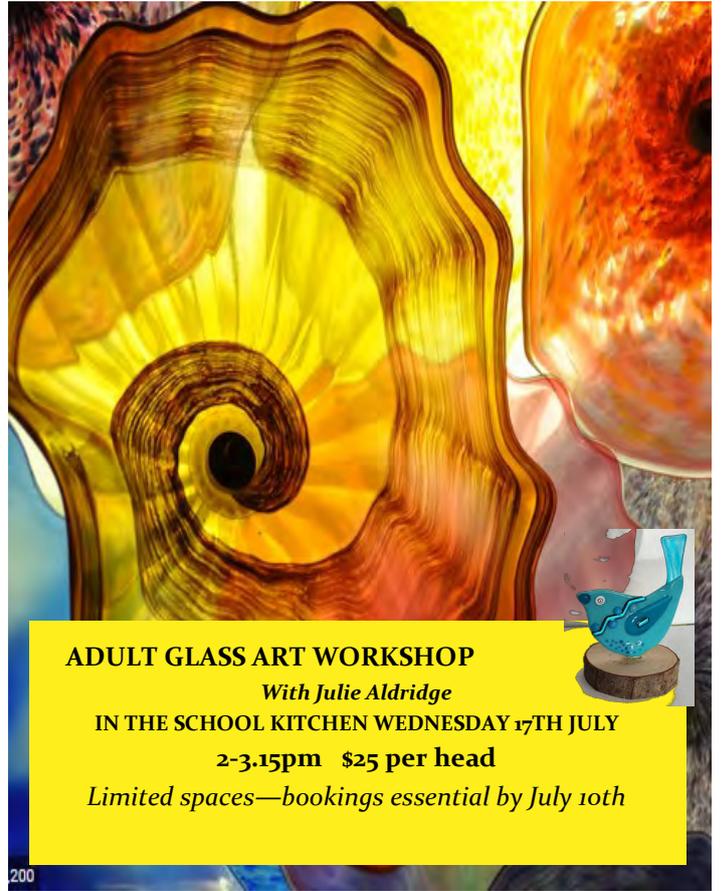
Children are entitled to access 4 Terms (1 year) of Government Preschool in the year before they start school.

The mid-year intake will begin for preschool from 2023. This means for 2023, children who turn 4 years of age:

- ⇒ • Before 1 May continue to start preschool at the beginning of the year.
- ⇒ • From 1 May to 31 October can commence preschool at the mid year intake at the start of Term 3 of that year.
- ⇒ • Regardless of whether your child starts at the beginning of the year or through a mid year intake they will undertake 4 Terms of Preschool.
- ⇒ • Children who turn 4 years after 31st October will be eligible to start preschool at the beginning of the following year.

THANKS TO ALICA BATES FOR EGGS AND SOURCING SOME RUBBER BOOTS FOR OUR GARDEN AND FARMING PROGRAMS & TO KELLY TELFER FOR MORE LEMONS

SCHOOL & COMMUNITY NEWS



ADULT GLASS ART WORKSHOP

With Julie Aldridge

IN THE SCHOOL KITCHEN WEDNESDAY 17TH JULY

2-3.15pm \$25 per head

Limited spaces—bookings essential by July 10th



positive partnerships

Working together to support school-aged students on the autism spectrum

Free to attend

1 Day Autism Workshop for Parents and Carers



Join other local families to learn more about autism and ways to strengthen the home-school partnership

Learn about:

- The diversity of autism
- Understanding behaviour
- Working together with your school

Location:

Ceduna Hotel
32 O'Loughlin Terrace
Ceduna South Australia 5690

Morning tea and a light lunch are provided

Ceduna, SA

Wednesday 6th July 2022
9.15am - 3.00pm



Interpreters available



To register, visit
positivepartnerships.com.au OR,
contact Jo Zeitz
jzeitz@positivepartnerships.com.au



For help, call:
1300 881 971

Ungarra KinderGym Term 2 2022:

May 13th

May 27th

June 10th

June 24th

July 8th



Term 2 Theme: The Farm

At Ungarra Town Hall Fridays 10-11am

\$5 per family

KinderGym is a movement-based learning experience for 0-5 year olds

For further information see

"Ungarra KinderGym" on Facebook

Or Contact Rachel 0429888143

Richelle 0428755705



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