



UNGARRA PRIMARY SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

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FAMILY NAME: _____



Well done Jeff for representing our school in Adelaide recently for SAPSASA cricket.

DIARY DATES

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| DEC 1 | FAREWELL FOR KELLY
@ 3.00 + Assembly |
| DEC 7 | SCHOOL CONCERT 6 for 6.30
Please bring a plate of supper and item for trading table if possible |
| DEC 8 | SCHOOL CLOSURE |
| DEC 11 | AQUATICS @ TUMBY |
| DEC 14 | JP XMAS WONDERLAND |
| DEC 15 | CHILDREN'S UNIVERSITY GRADUATION , ASSEMBLY, EARLY DISMISSAL 2.30 |

Term 4 is always busy and over the last 2 weeks we have had plenty of engaging learning opportunities happening. Students enjoyed learning about Gratitude, Empathy and Mindfulness (GEM) during their visit to the Resilience Project session in Tumby Bay. We are grateful to Tumby Bay Area School for including us in this session.

The disco was a hit, with students grooving the afternoon away with some awesome dance moves. Thank you to Rebecca Nowikow for organising the event and to all the parents who assisted with decorations and food. It was an impressive set up! The R-2 Sleepover that followed was great and the student behaviour was exceptional.

Our Year 3-6 class showcased our space designs at the Maker's Empire Showcase Event at Tumby Bay. We will show these at assembly on Friday. All students got to learn important first aid skills today via a visiting St. Johns trainer which is beneficial for our rural students.

Our transition for Reception 2024 students was a great success. The students fit in very well with our JP class and had great attitudes to school. We look forward to seeing their smiley faces return on Monday 29th of January 2024.

Teachers have been busy preparing reports, reviewing this year's learning processes and planning for next year's Site Improvement Plan.

This Friday's Assembly is a special one as we officially farewell Mrs Kelly Robinson. She has been a high quality and highly valued staff member of Ungarra Primary School from 2018 – 2022. She has made such a positive difference to many students at Ungarra Primary School and we are thankful for all that you have done during your time here. We will miss you but wish you all the best as Deputy Principal of Tumby Bay Area School.

2022 School Magazine are ready for distribution. A huge amount of effort and time has gone into creating this publication. Thank you to Sasha Stratford and her helpers for putting this all together. They look fantastic.

Unfortunately, there is a lot of illness in the community at the moment. Please take care and RAT test when showing COVID symptoms. Any positive results, need to be communicated to the school please.

Concert is coming along well with students learning their lines, costumes and props being prepared and we will have a dedicated week to concert practice next week. We look forward to showcasing the student's dramatic talents next Thursday night. Thanks again to Nicole for all her hard work in preparing for the concert. If you have any questions in regard to concert please ask.

Please take note of upcoming important dates and information on Class Dojo. Wishing you all the best at this busy time of year. Take care.

Rory Hunt



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MEET 2024 UP TEACHER BONNIE!

Meet the teacher

Dear Ungarra Primary School parents, guardians and students. My name is Bonnie Barnes, I'm a qualified primary teacher who graduated from Flinders University mid-2022. Since then, I have been working as a class teacher in Wudinna Area School. I have taught years 2/3/4 within my career and have loved it. I have experience working with students up to year 7 during university placements.

On a personal note, I was born and raised on the Eyre Peninsula. I moved to Adelaide in 2017 to undertake my studies and moved back to the EP in 2022. I enjoy playing sport such as Basketball and Netball. I love to spend my time with my dog, family, and friends and at the beach during the summer months.

I'm excited to be working at Ungarra Primary School next year. In the meantime, enjoy the summer holidays and I look forward to meeting everyone in the new year.



THURSDAY 7TH DECEMBER - 6 FOR 6.30

CHRISTMAS CONCERT

UNGARRA HALL

FEATURING

- ★ PLAYCENTRE "TWINKLE TWINKLE"
- ★ "THE BEANSTALK" F-6 PLAY
- ★ PIANO ITEMS
- ★ SPEECHES, AWARDS, SANTA & MORE

\$10 FOR ALL CHILDREN RECEIVING A GIFT P & F STALL BEFORE THE CONCERT - BRING ITEMS PLEASE BRING A PLATE OF SUPPER TO SHARE

SCHOOL CLOSURE NEXT DAY



A massive thanks to Sasha, Tammy & crew for creating the 2022 School Magazines. This was a mammoth task and they have created a great reminder of the year that was.

\$10 for six unique Christmas cards designed by school students. Available in the office or at the concert.



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FIRST AID WITH ANNIE FROM ST JOHN'S



Addy: I learnt how to call 000 for help

Hazel: Annie showed us how and when to use the shock blanket.

Ollie & Sandy: we were shown how to use a pad and bandage correctly

Raffy: You use a pad for the blood



Sienna: Annie taught us the "Happy Snail" way of using a bandage and how to roll it up

Flo: We learnt the recovery position

Hannah: In an emergency you should be brave and stay calm.



"Today Annie from St John's came to the school and showed us how to be a first aider so that if somebody was in trouble, we would know what to do.

If we saw someone having an emergency we can tell an adult to help us and tell them what to do.

First of all we need to check for danger so we don't get hurt too and then we are safe to start giving first aid.

We would ask if the person could hear us and if they couldn't, give two claps and say "Can you hear me?" and then ask again. You would check if they were breathing and then for a pulse.

If they were breathing you would put them in the recovery position and call 000 . If they didn't have a pulse you would do CPR.

If someone was bleeding you would put a pad on the cut and then bandage it up and if they were the shivering you would put them on the ground and cover them with a blanket.

I thought it was really helpful and I really enjoyed it. I learnt lots of things and I think I would know how to help someone now if they were hurt." **Kye Cameron**



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SAKG KITCHEN PROGRAM—LISA



Did you know that our Stephanie Alexander Kitchen Garden Program was initially run in the Playcentre for the first 3 terms while waiting for our new building? How did we do that!!!

The brainstorm of Principal at the time Mark Vincent, the introduction of the program was seen as a way to diversify learning opportunities into other areas and give our small school a point of difference. How right he was!

I can honestly say, that in the school part of my career, that this program, has not only had a profound effect on students and their families, but on myself as well. Giving children life skills is something that I am very passionate about so it has been a privilege to have been an integral part in instilling this knowledge into so many young people over the years. I find it both hilarious and satisfying when young adults in the community come up to me in the street and talk about how they remember things like “The Racing Car” and “Making the Bridge” etc. which were all strategies I taught them in lessons many years prior.

I have so many precious recollections such as visits from Stephanie Alexander herself, Maggie Beer, doing cooking demonstrations two years straight at the Royal Adelaide Show, having children work with some of EP’s top chefs at Evening on the Lawn and pop up restaurants, catering for Ministers, dignitaries, radio personalities, looking after Rabobank clients at the Cleve Field Days, hosting visits from many different groups and other schools and the list goes on.....

Ultimately seeing young children being able to confidently use equipment, problem solve, work together, become more adventurous with their eating experiences and showing pride in what they’re doing has been sheer joy for me and an aspect I will surely miss when I retire, but at least I will know that I did my best to build students’ knowledge and joy for growing and eating fresh produce, both at home and at school. Seeing the pride they have in what they do, and sharing with the many visitors that come year in year out, is extremely satisfying.

And all the while, the Stephanie Alexander Kitchen Garden program is building and transferring their knowledge through science, maths, literacy, technology, culture, community and SO much more.

Thank you Mark Vincent, for your vision; thank you Stephanie Alexander for all you have inspired with your initial idea to change the world of food for children, one school at a time, and most of all, thank you Ungarra Primary School for trusting and supporting me in this life-changing role. Winning the State Public Education Award for Cultivating Excellence and Equity was the ‘icing on the cake’ .

Lisa



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SAKG GARDEN PROGRAM—SUE



The garden has made a huge impact on the school and also on me personally. I love the garden area and feel proud to have been a part of this amazing transformation of the school. Ken Rowley was the first to start a veggie garden (in my time at the school - I know there have been others prior to this). Mark Vincent, in his second year as Principal, decided to expand the garden and a space opened up when we started having trouble with the pine trees on the northern side of the oval. The trees had started to drop limbs and were making a mess of the oval and the drains. There was originally some concern about the ground, wondering if anything would grow where the pine trees had been. Once again the parents stepped up and started building garden beds and carting soil. We originally had a garden bed for each of the kids. This was fantastic and the kids were very enthusiastic about their garden beds.

The downside of having individual beds was the problem of who owned what; the most controversial being pumpkins! “Whose were they? The person who planted them or the person whose patch the pumpkin had grown on to?” The first summer saw an amazing harvest, especially with the giant pumpkins. We had several that were huge. We have never been able to get them to grow as well since.

The next year we were lucky enough to become part of the Stephanie Alexander Kitchen Garden Program. This was an amazing time to be involved with the school with so much happening and lots of learning by both the kids and me. On one of the initial visits by the SAKGP team, their first comment was that we needed to change to one communal garden bed so that all the produce was for the school and not for individuals to take home. The children and their parents weren't too keen on this concept, but over time it seems to have worked out okay. Unfortunately, as time went along, some of the beds were taken over by the lawn as it crept underneath. The strawberries had also taken over and it was decided to spray both out and revamp the beds. Our long suffering parents again helped out, and we built the beds which are there currently and which are working extremely well. As much as I love the garden I do find it very stressful to keep the garden producing, and have had numerous failures and then over supply. I enjoy the garden lessons with the kids. Each week the garden is a hive of activity and I am always amazed how much we can achieve in a short time.

The arrival of the kitchen was a very momentous occasion as it had been a huge headache to get approval for the building. I was amazed at the skill of the truck driver as it was being wriggled into place. It took quite some time for the kitchen to be functional, but it was definitely worth the wait and the stress. The kitchen is a fabulous asset to the school, well used, and a vital part of the school community.

It is quite remarkable what the kids will eat when they pick it straight from the garden. My favourite memory is of a group of girls who were harvesting and they wanted to try some cabbage. When I returned five minutes later the cabbage was gone! It's moments like these that make my job wonderful. I also love the fact that the children can now pick out a pea or carrot plant at fifty paces. They are getting very knowledgeable about vegetables and what grows in which season. The garden is definitely a work in progress which changes all the time, but I love that the garden is now an integral part of the Ungarra school life.



The new Food Ladder hot house has been a huge asset to the garden, we are loving having a steady supply of greens for the kitchen.



Sophie Thompson from Gardening Australia

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SCHOOL & COMMUNITY NEWS



UNDER THE PINES TWILIGHT MARKET

SATURDAY 6TH JANUARY 2024
PORT NEILL FORESHORE
4PM-10PM

FOOD AND DRINK LOCAL STALLS MUSIC CHILDRENS ACTIVITIES FAMILY FUN

FEATURING
CHRISSY K BAND
JOSH MORPHETT
BROOK NEWTON

SUPPORTED BY GRANT BYTES

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SAVE THE DATE!

GINGERBREAD HOUSE MAKING

SPEND A FUN EVENING BUILDING AND DECORATING YOUR OWN GINGERBREAD HOUSE.



7PM | TUESDAY 28TH NOVEMBER
TUMBY BAY SENIOR CITIZENS HALL
FOR MORE INFO CONTACT KATHY BRAND: 0429788008

\$25 PER PERSON

Carols by the Beach

A Community Christmas Celebration on the Yacht Club Lawns
 Join in as together we celebrate this special time of year
 Sunday, 17th December, Tumby Bay 2023

5pm Food Stalls, Kids Craft, Face Painting
 6pm Community Carol singing and performances

Hosted by Tumby Bay Interchurch Council
 In partnership with
 Tumby Bay Progress Association,
 Lions Club & Yacht Club
 Contact: Kathy Brand: 0429 788 008

Proceeds and Donations to: Mwandi Orphans & Vulnerable Children Project, Africa.

Christmas is for everyone!



FUN FOR ALL GIRLS

TURNING 8-12 YEARS OF AGE

New and exciting PLFW all girls signature football program including skills sessions and games.

WHEN
 Come n Try and information session to be held on Friday 1st December from 5 - 6pm

WHERE
 Centenary Oval
 Port Lincoln

For Further information Scan the QR Code

CLICK TO REGISTER

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FIRST IN SCHOOLS



Dear Parents and Carers,

We are pleased to announce a fantastic partnership between Ungarra Primary School and St John SA to teach our students how to apply first aid. The First Aid in Schools Program is a community initiative delivered by qualified trainers from St John SA. The aim is to equip children with the first aid skills they need if faced with a medical emergency. The course is fun and informative with hands-on techniques and demonstrations.

After participating in the program, each student will receive a certificate of achievement and will be provided with educational resources to be used at home or in the classroom. The First Aid in Schools Program is age-appropriate and integrates with the National Curriculum. The program is also delivered with the support of the South Australian Department for Education and Child Development.

As St John SA is a charitable organisation, to ensure the First Aid in Schools program is sustainable they have created an online crowdfunding platform for parents, friends and the community to help raise funds to cover the cost of each classroom taught first aid <https://firstaidinschools.org.au/>

Alternatively, we are asking for a gold coin donation that can be provided by your child on the day to teach your child's class first aid.

All funds raised go directly to cover the cost of teaching your child's class first aid. If you have further questions, simply contact us on the details provided below.

Kind regards

Rory Hunt
 Principal UPS

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TUMBY BAY LIONS CLUB PRESENTS

CHRISTMAS PAGEANT 2023



FRI 22ND DEC
PARADE COMMENCES AT WIBBERLEY STREET 6PM
VIA THE ESPLANADE, NORTH TERRACE, SPENCER ST & MORTLOCK ST
TUMBY BAY TRADERS TRAIL
MEET @ TUMBY BAY PHARMACY 3-5PM

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