

NEWSLETTER

The latest news from Ungarra Primary School



DIARY DATES

7TH FEB FARM TO FORK FILMING

12th FEB OPEN NIGHT 5—6.30 PM

G.C.AGM 6.30 PM

1st MAR TABLOID SPORTS DAY @
RAVENDALE

11th MAR ADELAIDE CUP HOLIDAY

13-15 th NAPLAN

29TH MAR GOOD FRIDAY

1ST APR EASTER MONDAY

5th APR BEACH SPORTS DAY

12th APR LAST DAY OF TERM ONE

PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

Dear Ungarra Primary School Community,

I hope this message finds you all in good health and high spirits. As we embark on a new academic year, it is my pleasure to extend a warm and heartfelt welcome to our returning students, dedicated staff, and the newest members of our Ungarra Primary School family.

A special welcome is extended to the new Reception students and families. We are thrilled to have Hugo, Emmett, Kylie, Daisy and Amali as part of our school. Your enthusiasm, curiosity, and passion for learning are already shining through. You have also shown great resilience by persisting through swimming lessons in your first week!

We welcome Bonnie Barnes as the upper primary teacher and Abbey Bates who will be teaching PE, Cultural Studies and Arts on Tuesdays and Wednesdays. Both teachers have impressed so far with their dedication to planning and creating wholesome learning environments. Credit also goes to Rachel Fuller for all her preparation as the R-3 teacher and our SSOs for their support in setting up for the school year.

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I had the privilege of joining Lisa, Rebecca, Arnold and Scarlett at the Australia Day Awards in Tumbay Bay last week where we received a certificate of achievement for the mammoth fundraising efforts toward the playground last year. This recognition is very well received and was an opportunity to thank all involved. Another proud moment in an amazing school year.

Another exciting opportunity occurs next week as television program "Farm to Fork" does some filming at our site. This will focus on our kitchen/garden program. They will even cook produce from our garden! Check out visiting Master Chef contestant Michael Weldon's bio below.

As we look ahead to the upcoming school year, our focus remains on fostering a culture of excellence, creativity, and collaboration. We are committed to creating an inclusive environment where each student feels valued and supported, where teachers can innovate and inspire, and where families are active partners in their child's education. I encourage everyone to attend our open night and Governing Council AGM on Monday 12th of February to find out more about your child's learning.

WELCOME TO OUR 2024 FOUNDATION STUDENTS



Michael Weldon is an Australian chef and television presenter who previously was a contestant in season 3 of MasterChef Australia where was the runner-up. He has appeared in season 14 of MasterChef Australia as this season's format is to be known as Fans & Favourites and will feature 12 new contestants and 12 former contestants. The season is expected to premiere on Monday, April 18, 2022. The filming took place at Centenary Hall, Royal Melbourne Showgrounds.

Michael Weldon is currently a co-host of Farm To Fork, a Channel 10 food show that counts fellow MasterChef star Courtney Roulston as a host as well as fellow contestant, Sarah Todd. He also works as a product development chef at retail giant Coles. In the past before joining MasterChef Australia series 3, he had been working as a film projectionist before giving up on it to pursue his passion for cooking.



OPEN NIGHT & AGM DETAILS

- 5—5.30 PM—JUNIOR PRIMARY SESSION 5.30—6 PM UPPER PRIMARY
- 6.30 PM GOVERNING COUNCIL AGM—WOOD FIRED PIZZA TEA FROM 5

STUDENTS AND STAFF WILL BE HAVING A SCHOOL TIDY-UP FRIDAY AFTERNOON IN READINESS FOR THE 'FARM TO FORK' VISIT. FEEL FREE TO JOIN IN FROM 2PM!