

NEWSLETTER

The latest news from Ungarra Primary School



Dear Ungarra Primary School Community,

PRINCIPALS REPORT

Over the past two weeks, Ungarra Primary School has experienced a wonderful blend of community spirit, learning, and celebration. Our Colour Run was an outstanding event, held in memory of Tex Charlton. It was heart-warming to see so many past and present members of the Ungarra community come together for such a special cause. The smiles on everyone's faces captured the fun and, of course, the shock of that cold, slimy surprise! For a snapshot of those colourful moments, please visit our Facebook page to view the photo montage. A very sincere thank you goes to the Parents and Friends Committee for their dedication in bringing the event to life. Your commitment ensures that Tex's legacy lives on while also raising awareness and valuable funds for Run DIPG, supporting brain cancer research. For those wishing to contribute, please consider making a donation at <https://rundipg-org.grassrootz.com/support-dipg-dmg-research/donate>

On the academic front, progressive reports are now available for viewing on Class Dojo, and teachers are busily preparing end-of-year reports in the weeks ahead. Meanwhile, concert rehearsals are in full swing in the school hall and we are all looking forward to seeing our students express their creativity and talents on stage.

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PRINCIPALS REPORT CONT..

Another highlight was the Junior Primary Christmas lunch, which was a joyous occasion for our youngest students and their families. This event marked a delightful start to the festive season and emphasised the strong bonds within our school community.

We are extremely proud of our students and staff who continue to excel beyond our school. Miss Bates had the privilege of sharing her class's garden podcasting learning expedition with educators from across the region, demonstrating the high-quality, meaningful projects undertaken in the Upper Primary class. This was also showcased to South Australian educational leaders the following day and celebrated on ABC radio by students Hazel, Bella and Adele, who spoke with passion and clarity about their experiences. Don't forget to check out their podcast, "Voices From Our Garden," on Spotify.

Congratulations also go to our Upper Primary students for their involvement in the Naturally Brave Bushfire Showcase in Port Lincoln. Their work with Makers Empire, from design thinking to 3D printing and presenting their products to make a difference in a bushfire were innovative and inspiring. Students explained their design thinking via posters. A special shout out to Cruz, Aishah, Sandy and Bella for winning the Peer Prize for their creative solutions to counteracting smoke in a bushfire.

Layla, Clara and Alison all settled wonderfully into their transition visits with the JP class and we look forward to them attending next year.

It has been a rich and rewarding fortnight at Ungarra Primary, and I thank everyone in our school community for their participation, commitment and support.

All the best with harvest.

Regards,
Rory Hunt



Naturally Brave

Makers Empire



UPPER PRIMARY

Over the past 15 weeks, we have been engaging in the Naturally Brave Makers Empire program. Through the program, students have worked through the design thinking process, to design something that might help a family or animal who is impacted by a natural disaster, such as a bushfire. Students designs considered the key concepts of gratitude, empathy, self-awareness, ownership, kindness and service. Check out our innovative designs below!



see-through-smokenator 5000

fire shield rescue & ember haven



Koala Kozy Korner

aqua root



blaze breaker

MAKERS
EMPIRE

NATURALLY BRAVE MAKERS EMPIRE SHOWCASE IN PORT LINCOLN

Two Ungarra Primary school groups were selected to showcase their inventions at the Naturally Brave Makers Empire Showcase in Port Lincoln, alongside 25 other competitor groups from schools across the Eyre Peninsula.

The students were encouraged to explore all the inventions, and asking thoughtful questions earned them a stamp in their passport. Collecting 15 stamps won them a mini Makers Empire 3D-printed token. The see-through-smokenator 5000 was voted most popular design by their peers!

Koala Kozy Korner



see-through-smokenator 5000



PEER PRIZE WINNERS

The Grinch

Presented by UNGARRA PRIMARY SCHOOL

2025 SCHOOL CONCERT

THURSDAY

4TH DECEMBER



Trading table items
and enterprise
available for
purchase - please
bring cash



Doors open
@ 5:30pm
6pm Start



\$5 for children
receiving a gift

colour run

in memory of our buddy

Tex Charlton



George, Tammy, Levi, Monty, and our families would like to thank all the efforts of Bec, Eden, Shelby, the P&F, the staff, and students of Ungarra Primary School, as well as the entire Ungarra community, for holding such a wonderful Colour Run in honour of our Tex. Your support, enthusiasm, and generosity mean so much to us.

Thank you for celebrating Tex in such a meaningful way. Your thoughtfulness will always be remembered and appreciated.

From the bottom of our hearts – thank you.



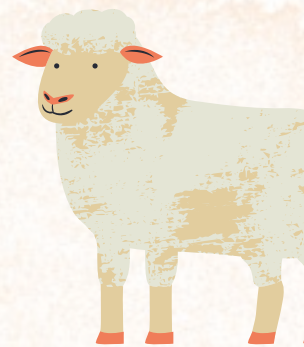








PLAYCENTRE HAPPENINGS



We've been very busy in Playcentre over the last few weeks as we further explored our Farm theme.

We've had plenty of art and craft, sensory play, songs as well as a special excursion to Glen Forest!

Last week we were very lucky to have a visit from Justin and Ryan Modra who brought along 2 tractors for us to have a look at and jump in!

We will wrap up this term with 2 weeks of Christmas activities and a Christmas party in the final week to celebrate those who will be leaving us to go to Primary School!



COMMUNITY NEWS



PARENT FORUMS

Presented by the Statewide Inclusive Education Services SIES, parent forums are a safe and supportive space for families to gather information and resources to support your child's education.



HEAR ABOUT:

- Important updates and Department pilots in 2025.
- **Michelle Ryan** - lived experience Artistic Director at Restless Dance. Michelle will share her story as an international dancer and her journey to becoming the Artistic Director at Restless Dance and supporting children and young people with disability achieve their dance dreams.
- **Mother, Yula Willmer**, will share experiences and advice on how she and her daughter, Yamin, created their own micro-Enterprise, *Mixeded Hearts*.
- Come and speak to numerous owners and representatives of inclusive recreational sports and activities for your child to become involved in.
- The achievements and contributions of local entrepreneurs with disability who will be showcasing their products at our *Market Stalls*.
- SIES resources and services also available to borrow and connect with.



NEXT PARENT FORUM:
Thursday 27 Nov 2025
10.00am to 2.00pm



WHERE:
Statewide Inclusive Education Services
72a Marlborough Street
Herley Beach SA 5022
Light refreshments provided.



Education.ParentForum@sia.gov.au



www.sies.sa.gov.au/parent-forums/

The Grinch



Presented by UNGARRA PRIMARY SCHOOL

2025 SCHOOL CONCERT

THURSDAY 4TH DECEMBER

Come play tennis with Ungarra Tennis Club!



Hot Shots

Commencing **Wednesday 13th October** 3-4pm @ Ungarra School Courts

For primary school-aged children (5+) to learn basic tennis skills in a games-based, fun setting. No experience required, equipment provided!
Wednesdays, 3-40 - 4:30pm in Term 4 @ Ungarra School Courts

Junior Tennis

Commencing **Thursday 16th October** 4:30pm @ Ungarra Complex
(continuing on Wednesdays from October 20th)

Junior tennis training will be Wednesdays 4:30pm @ Ungarra Complex. Matches played in the Port North Tennis Association on Friday afternoons at 4pm. The competition runs from October-March.



More information contact Rachel Teller 0429 888 143

<https://play.tennis.com.au/ungarratennisclub>

