

# NEWSLETTER

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*Respect, Responsibility and Excellence!*

### PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

Welcome back to all students, families and staff. I trust you have all enjoyed a fun filled school holiday break and are returning feeling refreshed, revitalised and ready to enjoy a busy Term 4 filled with lots of engaging and exciting learning experiences. As a lot of you may have already noticed, our beautiful little school has received a well earned makeover. The sky blue colours that adorned our school buildings have been replaced, returning to the heritage colours of yesteryear.

Regardless of the colour, Urbenville Public School will continue to deliver a quality public education to our students delivered through vibrant and engaging learning experiences underpinned by our school's core values of Respect, Responsibility and Excellence.

### INTERRELATE PROGRAM

Our year 5 and 6 students had an enjoyable day at Wiangaree PS on Wednesday as they engaged in the 'Minding Me' Interrelate program. Thank you to the COLOURSS Group for facilitating this highly engaging and informative workshop and Wiangaree PS for hosting a very positive day.

### Dates

#### TERM 4

##### Week 1

Mon 14<sup>th</sup> Oct – First day back to school for both students and staff.

Wed 16<sup>th</sup> Oct – Interrelate Program at Wiangaree for Year 5 and 6 students

##### Week 2

Mon 21<sup>st</sup> Oct – New garden beds being installed in school garden.

Thu 24<sup>th</sup> Oct – NRL guest speaker on wellbeing at Bonalbo Central School.

## **KINDY O PROGRAM**

Dates for our 2020 Kindy O program have been finalised. The program will run over the following 4 sessions:

<b>Session</b>	<b>Date</b>	<b>Time</b>
Session 1	Thursday 14/11/19	9:00am – 11:00am
Session 2	Thursday 21/11/19	9:00am – 1:00pm
Session 3	Thursday 28/11/19	9:00am – 3:00pm
Session 4	Thursday 5/12/19	9:00am – 3:00pm

Lesson durations are staggered in order to build up classroom stamina, culminating in a full day at school on the last session. The Kindy O program is a wonderful opportunity for prospective Kindergarten students to attend lessons in our newly established K-2 classroom in order set them up for success in their first year of 'big school'. More information can be found on our information sheet attached to our newsletter.

## **TERM 4 CHANGES TO CLASSES**

Term 4 will see our existing K-6 class separate into a K-2 class and a 3-6 class. This change to our student learning environment will allow teaching staff to more accurately cater to the diverse learning needs of our students delivered through precise programming and refined differentiated teaching and learning opportunities. Mr Sifko will be teaching 3-6S and Mrs Weston will be teaching K-2W.

## **NRL ROLE MODEL WORKSHOP AT BONALBO CENTRAL SCHOOL**

Urbenville PS students have kindly been invited to Bonalbo Central School to listen to a highly engaging and motivating speaker on the topic of student wellbeing. Current Manly Warringah second rower, Joel Thompson will take the students on an inspiring personal journey, discussing some of the challenges our students can be faced with and importantly, some vital resilience strategies to help overcome these challenges.

Thank you to Bonalbo Central School for facilitating this valuable learning experience.

## **P&C NEWS**

Our next P&C meeting will be held on Friday 25<sup>th</sup> October at 3:00pm. Come along and take part in our meetings as we are always looking for fresh input on ways to help support our school and the students. All parent and community members welcome. See you there!!

## **CANTEEN VOLUNTEERS**

Students at Urbenville Public School enjoy a wonderful selection of fresh healthy foods provided by our very hardworking school canteen volunteers. If you are able to spare a few hours of a Wednesday to help support our already hard working canteen team, please contact the school for more information.

# BLAZING RIDDLES

## Last Week's Riddle

- Q:** I am a number with a couple of friends, quarter a dozen, and you'll find me again.  
What am I?
- A:** 3
- Q:** I am beautiful, up in the sky. I am magical, yet I cannot fly. To people I bring luck, to some people, riches. The boy at my end does whatever he wishes. What am I?
- A:** A rainbow

## This week's riddles are dedicated to Jim

- Q:** A woman walked up to a man behind a counter and handed him a book. He looked at it and said, "That will be four dollars." She paid the man and then walked out without the book. He saw her leave without it but did not call her back. How come?

Find the answer in our next newsletter.

**LITTLE GEMS SWIM SCHOOL**

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#1 PRIORITY FOR YOUR CHILDREN

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**NSW GOVERNMENT IS OFFERING ALL SCHOOL AGED CHILDREN \$100 TO HELP FUND  
YOUR CHILDS SPORTING ACTIVITIES.**

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<https://www.service.nsw.gov.au/transaction/apply-active-kids-voucher>  
AND SEARCH LITTLE GEMS SWIM SCHOOL.**



# Time for Healthy Habits



Children who develop healthy habits from a young age are more likely to continue these habits into adulthood.

Do you have a child between the ages of 2-6 years and live in NSW?

Do you wonder if they are eating enough of the right foods, being active enough or getting enough sleep?

We are offering a **free** program to help parents give their young children the healthiest start to life.

You can participate in one of these programs: online modules, telephone support calls or printed information. All programs will provide practical information and tips that will help with healthy eating, physical activity, screen time and sleep.



For more information and to register please visit [www.timeforhealthyhabitsnsw.com/](http://www.timeforhealthyhabitsnsw.com/) or contact [time-healthyhabits@uow.edu.au](mailto:time-healthyhabits@uow.edu.au)

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