

# NEWSLETTER

Urbenville Public School

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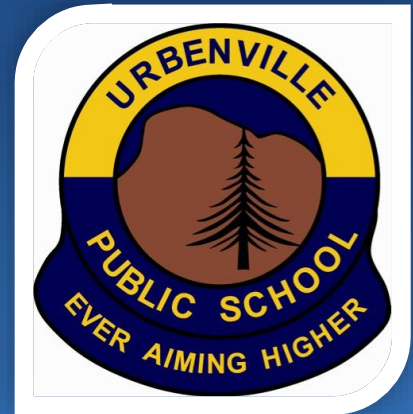
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Principal – Christopher Sifko

*What a term!*



## PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

2022 has been quite the year for our small school. The fabulous learning experiences we offer our students in a safe and supportive learning environment has seen our student numbers increase by over 40% this year! A change in P&C leadership has also seen a reinvigoration of school fundraising events and ideas for our school community.

Urbenville Public School students also had a great year with their writing featuring success at the Kyogle Writers Competition, Byron Bay Writers Festival and most notably, winning both the David Maher Award and the upper primary individual award in Australia's longest-running annual poetry competition for school children, the Dorothea Mackellar Poetry Awards.

We also were privileged to have not one, but two up and coming country superstars in James Johnston and Kaylee Bell. Both were super generous with their time and offered our students a wonderful experience.

The formation of the Banjo P Poetry Collective Competition along with our Community of Small Schools, Old Bonalbo and Drake. Well done to UPS on the win and Ms Petty and Ms Battese for making this happen for our small schools.

And let's not forget Keith Urban . . . .

## Dates

### TERM 4, 2022

#### WEEK 10

Tuesday 13<sup>th</sup> Dec – Little Stars Under the Big Stars Concert

Wednesday 14<sup>th</sup> Dec – Celebration of Learning Day at 10am

Thu 15<sup>th</sup> Dec – Kyogle Christmas Event

Friday 16<sup>th</sup> Dec – Class Party –

**Last day for students**

#### Week 11

Monday 19<sup>th</sup> Dec – Staff Development Day

Tuesday 20<sup>th</sup> Dec – Staff Development Day

### TERM 1, 2023

Friday 27<sup>th</sup> Jan – Staff Development Day

Monday 30<sup>th</sup> Jan – Staff Development Day

Tuesday 31<sup>st</sup> Jan – **Students first day back**

## KEITH URBAN CONCERT EXPERIENCE

Keith Urban and his team absolutely rolled out the VIP treatment for our students and staff on the weekend. With Mr Olive, our bus driver at the wheel, we were ushered into the backstage secure parking area pulling up next to Keith's equipment trucks.



We were met and escorted through the backstage area, past the 'green rooms', dressing and changerooms and into our own dedicated room ready for our personalised Q&A time with Keith himself. It was a short wait, but upon entering, the room exploded with emotion. Keith individually greeted each and every person in the room with a hello by name and a hug!

His generosity and humility as one of the kindest human beings seems to be boundless. He also surprised each student with a merchandise bag filled with signed merchandise. But, it doesn't stop there! Keith has invited us to yet another concert, but this time he is going to make room in his set list to bring the students up on stage to sing. How AMAZING!

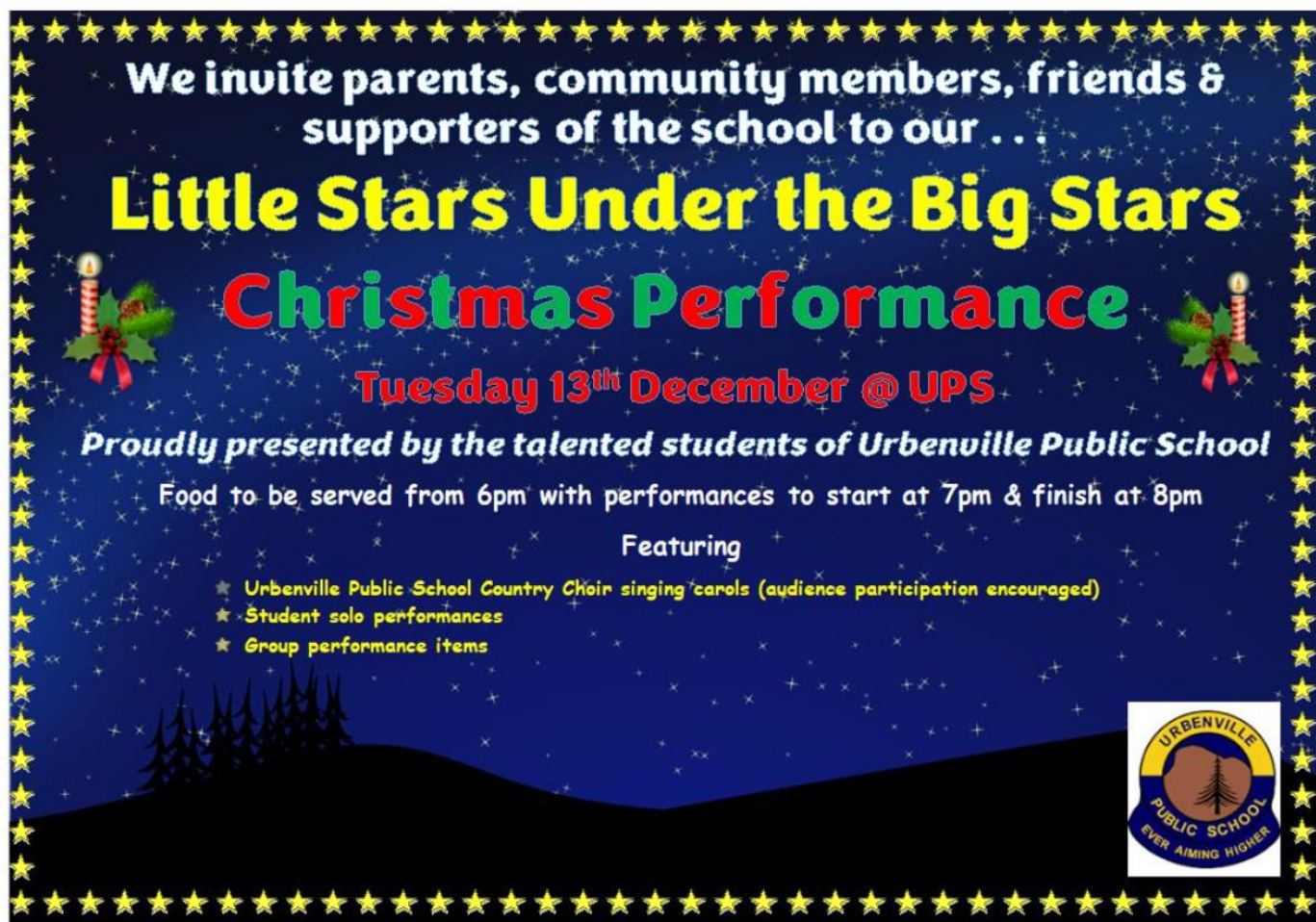
## KINDERGARTEN ORIENTATION – Every Friday 9am

Kindy 'O' has started off with huge smiles and great times in the classroom for our up and coming Kindergarten students for next year. Urbenville is spoilt to have such a beautiful group of Kindy 'O' participants. We look forward to growing our small school family of little champions.



DATES	TIMES	WHAT TO BRING
<b>Session 1 &amp; 2</b> Friday 14 <sup>th</sup> October Friday 21 <sup>st</sup> October	9:00-10:15pm	✓ Fruit for fruit break ✓ Full school uniform (to be supplied)
<b>Session 3, 4, 5</b> Friday 28 <sup>th</sup> October Friday 4 <sup>th</sup> November Friday 11 <sup>th</sup> November	9:00-11:20am	✓ Fruit for fruit break ✓ Food and drink for recess ✓ Full school uniform (to be supplied)
<b>Session 6 &amp; 7</b> Friday 18 <sup>th</sup> November Friday 25 <sup>th</sup> November	9:00-1:40pm	✓ Fruit for fruit break ✓ Food and drink for recess & lunch ✓ Full school uniform (to be supplied)
<b>Session 8, 9 &amp; 10</b> Friday 2 <sup>nd</sup> December Friday 9 <sup>th</sup> December Friday 16 <sup>th</sup> December	9:00-3:00pm	✓ Fruit for fruit break ✓ Food and drink for recess & lunch ✓ Full school uniform (to be supplied)

## LITTLE STARS UNDER THE BIG STARS CONCERT – Tuesday 13<sup>th</sup> December



We invite parents, community members, friends & supporters of the school to our . . .

# Little Stars Under the Big Stars

## Christmas Performance


Tuesday 13<sup>th</sup> December @ UPS

Proudly presented by the talented students of Urbenville Public School

Food to be served from 6pm with performances to start at 7pm & finish at 8pm

Featuring

- ★ Urbenville Public School Country Choir singing carols (audience participation encouraged)
- ★ Student solo performances
- ★ Group performance items



## CELEBRATION OF LEARNING DAY – Wednesday 14<sup>th</sup> December 10:00am – 11:30am

Our Celebration of Learning Day will be held this year on Wednesday 14<sup>th</sup> December. Formally known as Awards Assembly or Presentation Day, we thought changing the name to Celebration of Learning unpacks what we are all there for, celebrating the achievements and accolades our students have achieved.

## STUDENT SEMESTER 2 REPORTS – Wednesday 14<sup>th</sup> December

The student Semester 2 reports will be available to parents on Wednesday 14<sup>th</sup> December. If any parents are interested in having parent teacher interview regarding their child/ren's learning, please contact the school to arrange an appointment and we will be happy to oblige.



## KYOGLE CHRISTMAS EVENT – Thursday 15<sup>th</sup> December at 5pm

For those students who have elected to travel to Kyogle to perform at the Kyogle Christmas Event on Thursday 15<sup>th</sup> December, teachers will liaise with those parents regarding a meeting point and a time. The event starts at 5pm. Unfortunately, the facilitators of the event could not give us a performance time, but they know we have travelled quite the distance and have assured us we would be one of the first schools on the performance line up.





## CLASS PARTY – Friday 16<sup>th</sup> December

Friday 16<sup>th</sup> December is the last day for students this year. Students have been encouraged to come in free dress/casual clothes and celebrate our final day of 2022.



## P&C MEETING – Thursday 9<sup>th</sup> February 2023

Our next P&C meeting will be held on **Thursday 9<sup>th</sup> February 2023**. 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!!





KYOGLE COUNCIL &  
KYOGLE & DISTRICT CHAMBER OF COMMERCE  
PRESENTS

*Kyogle*  
**CHRISTMAS  
EVENT**

**15 DECEMBER**

**STARTS 5PM**

**LIVE MUSIC & PERFORMANCES - SANTALAND - STALLS  
STREET DINING - FAMILY FUN - SHOPPING**

**FESTIVE | COMMUNITY | FUN  
MAIN STREET, KYOGLE**





# SAVE OUR LOCAL CHURCHES



## Meeting Number Two

**Venue:** St Marks Anglican Church, Urbenville

**Date:** Sunday, 29th January, 2023

**Time:** 11:00 am for church service, meeting and morning tea, or 12:00 pm for meeting and morning tea.

JOIN THE FIGHT!! Anyone and everyone is welcome to attend the second of our meetings to save the Urbenville and Woodenbong Anglican church buildings and ministry.

No need to RSVP.

For more information, please contact Rev Leslie Fotakis, on 0428 414 47

## High Country Medical Practice

Amended opening hours for the week of  
03/01/2023 to 05/01/2023

High Country Medical Practice will be opened at a reduced capacity from the 3rd of January with Dr Ruma Akhter.

Tuesday Wednesday Thursday for this week only

- 9.00am to 12.00pm face to face
- 12.00pm to 1.00pm phone appointments

**Come and join our  
small school family**



**ENROL NOW!**