## NEWSLETTER

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Principal – Christopher Sifko

Attendance . . . . Every Day Matters!



#### PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

Congratulations to our students and staff upon reaching the end of another very successful and productive term. Some stand outs that I would like to make a special mention include:

- Winning the Banjo P Poetry Collective Competition
- Runners up in the Dorothea Mackellar Poetry Awards
- Jessica and Miss J for their Education Week Awards

There were lots of other learning milestones occurring in the classroom, but those were a few that stood out. Well done to every single student who turns up to school everyday with a positive attitude ready to learn. I am extremely proud of the academic progress each and every student has made and continues to make.

Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> will be our last day. Students are encouraged to come in free dress and engage in a day of fun, games, and reflection on a wonderful Term 3.

## Dates TERM 3

#### **WEEK 10**

Monday 18<sup>th</sup> September – Playgroup Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> September – Breakfast Club

Wednesday 20th September - Sport

Thursday 21st September – Breakfast Club

Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> September - Breakfast Club

Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> September – Canteen and **LAST DAY OF SCHOOL!** 

#### **TERM 4**

#### WEEK 1

Monday 9<sup>th</sup> October – First day back for students and staff

#### WEEK 2

Monday 16<sup>th</sup> October – Playgroup Starts back up for Term 4

Thursday 19th October – P&C Meeting

#### TANGALOOMA CAMP

A friendly reminder that parents can pay in installments for the upcoming Tangalooma camp ....if they need to. If you are electing to use your Educational Hardship Grant Fund (if you were eligible), please ensure you know where you are up to in regards to funds outstanding. For those parents that are choosing not to send their child, please, please let the school know as soon as possible, as this has implications around transport and accommodation. For those students not attending, an education alternative will be provided by the school.

#### **SCHOOL BYTES**

Like many other schools, Urbenville have had to update our school administration software. School Bytes is a comprehensive school management platform providing schools School with the tools they need to operate smoothly and efficiently. **Bytes** 

There are however some action needed by parents to connect with it.

Parents/Carers are required to create their own Parent Portal on the School Bytes App so as to allow access to online permission notes, forms etc. Also, around mid Term 4 online payments will be available. If you need assistance with this, please see the school office.

#### LORD TAVERNER'S SPORTING CAMP

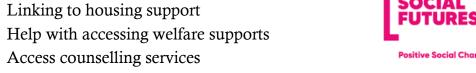
Unfortunately, the facilitators of this sporting camp have had to postpone this week sporting camp until Term 4, Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> and Saturday 4<sup>th</sup> November 2023. Apologies for those Stage 3 students who were excited to go, but remember, it has only been postponed, not cancelled!



#### FAMILY CONNECT AND SUPPORT

I am pleased to announce that Family Connect and Support (FCS) have offered to work closely with our school and families to support our learning community in any way they can. Family Connect and Support (FCS) is a program delivered by Social Futures which connect families, children and young people who need a helping hand, to the right supports and services. Family Connect and Support offers services such as:

- Parenting challenges
- Accessing the NDIS
- Linking to housing support
- Access counselling services
- Linking to domestic and family violence supports
- Culturally appropriate support





This valuable service is completely free to families. If you wish to connect with this service, please contact the school for a referral form. Arrangements can be made for staff from FCS to attend school to meeting with parents if transport is an issue. Please reach out if you need assistance. More information can be found on the attached information flyer.

#### UPS PLAYGROUP - Every Monday 9am - 10am

Our last UPS Playgroup will be on Monday 18<sup>th</sup> September (week 10). Playgroup will recommence next term in Week 2, Monday 16<sup>th</sup> October.

This is a lovely supportive and nurturing forum that allows pre-kindergarten students socialised and prepared for 'big school'. If you have a youngster who is nearing school age, I highly encourage you to come along to one of our playgroup days to give you the opportunity to see what our school is about and some of the wonderful things we are doing at our small school.

#### P&C MEETING - Thursday 19th October - 3.15pm

Our next P&C will be held on Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> October. All parents and community members are welcome to attend. See you there!



# GET READY WORKSHOP





### **HELLO URBENVILLE**

Your local NSW SES Unit and RFS Brigade is hosting a free workshop on how to prepare for the upcoming fire and storm season.

Come along, have fun and get ready.

#### WE'LL GOVER ...

- Understanding local risks
- How to use fire extinguishers/blankets
- Preparing your property for best fire, flood and storm protection
- Emergency Kits and Grab n Go bags what's in yours?
- Hazards Near Me App
- Reconstruction Authority NSW info
- · Volunteering opportunities

Come join us for a free BBQ and see first-hand our vehicles and equipment on display.

#### WHEN

Sunday, 17th September 2023. 10am-2pm

#### WHERE

NSW SES & RFS sheds in URBENVILLE

#### REGISTER

Please register by contacting Janet on 0407261359 or Thelma on 0447442283

GET READY /







# Come and join our small school family.



ENROL NOW!