Welcome to Term 4
Welcome back to all of our students and their families. I trust everybody enjoyed a relaxing break. Term 4 is traditionally a very busy term at Unanderra Public School. With so many events coming up on almost a weekly basis, it will be more important than ever to remain informed through reading the school newsletter and visiting the school website.

This Friday, staff and students are looking forward to our inaugural Dad’s Arvo. In the next few weeks our school will be welcoming many new students and their families as part of our Kindergarten Orientation for 2015. On Friday, 24th October the P & C are hosting the eagerly anticipated School Fete. In addition to all of these events, throw in a Kindergarten excursion, the NRL Backyard League Program, UPS ‘The Voice’ and the Rec Sport Program commencing and you can appreciate what a dynamic place Unanderra Public School is and will be over the coming month.

Dad’s Arvo
Dad’s Arvo is an ideal opportunity for the men in our school community who traditionally don’t have the time to visit, or have been holding out for an invitation, to drop in for a couple of hours and experience what’s great about UPS. Students and staff would like to extend an invitation to all our Dad’s, Grandad’s etc to join us from 12:30pm this Friday, 10th October.

The day is an informal way of showcasing what goes on in our classrooms and is an excellent opportunity to share in a BBQ lunch and enjoy an afternoon of fun through sport. Orders for sausage sizzles close tomorrow, Wednesday 8th October, so be quick. Sausage sandwiches are $3.00 and cans of soft drink can be pre-ordered for $2.00.

Dad’s Arvo. You’d be mad to miss it! Hope to see you there.

Unanderra Community Festival Children’s Art Competition
Late last term, students from a number of local schools were invited to submit entries in the “Unite in Unanderra” children’s art competition as a part of the Unanderra Community Festival. Congratulations to the following students from UPS who received certificates and prizes for their outstanding entries. Well done!

1st Payton (6M)  2nd Ayla (5/6H)  3rd Ashlee (6M)

Enjoy your week,

Gavin Hoy
Relieving Principal

Reading News: We hope that during Term 4 you will continue to encourage your children to develop their comprehension.

Comprehension Strategies to use at home- Monitoring
If we are reading a text and something doesn’t make sense, we know it’s okay to stop, reread and think about it, to try and understand the meaning. (School A to Z)

Please let your children monitor their own errors. We want them to notice when it doesn’t make sense. If we jump in and tell them, they won’t do this for themselves. Also, give praise when they notice mistakes. Tell them why they are good readers, eg “It's great you went back and fixed that mistake.”

Apologies to Elijah W. in 4D and Richie L in 1/2R, as their names were missed at the end of last term for Reading for 100 nights. Well Done Elijah and Richie.

Happy reading this term.
Kathy Dobinson, Learning and Support Teacher
**Free Piano:** The old piano in the school hall is available for free to anyone who would like it and is able to organise its removal. You are welcome to come and have a look. If you are interested please contact the school office before Friday 10th October to organise a look and hopefully a time for access for its removal.

Carolina Wilkinson, Administrative Manager

**Operation Christmas Child Boxes:** Thank you to all of the families who have returned their Christmas boxes to Mr Bennett.

If you have an empty Christmas box and do not intend to use it, please return it to Mr Bennett’s room as soon as possible. For those who have filled their Christmas box, please return it by Monday 13th October. Thank you.

Andrew Bennett, Christmas Box Coordinator

**K–2 Athletics Carnival Postponed:** Due to K-2’s busy schedule at the beginning of term 4, unfortunately the Athletics carnival will be postponed to later in the term. We are sorry if this has caused any inconvenience and we look forward to seeing everyone at the event later in the term.

Cass Compton and Sarah Delaney, K-2 Athletics Organisers

**Admin News:** The following advice relating to school routines is provided for the information of parents and careers to help assist with the school processes.

School receiving days are Wednesday and Friday Mornings ONLY: In compliance with the Department of Education and Training OH&S Policy, all money is to be sent straight to the office before school on money collection/receiving days (Wednesday and Friday).

A locked letterbox has been installed in the office. All payments are to be placed in an envelope clearly marked with the student’s name, class, activity, and the amount enclosed. Inside the envelope should be the correct money with the signed permission slip. This envelope is to be placed in the box situated in the office in the morning of school receiving days which are Wednesdays and Fridays. Cheques are to be made payable to ‘Unanderra Public School’.

**Please note:** other activities such as P & C Fundraising are separate to school run activities and are not receipted into the school bank account. If paying by cheque for a P & C activity a separate cheque is needed, and written out to the ‘Unanderra Public School P & C’. Thank you for your support in this matter.

Carolina Wilkinson, Administrative Manager

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**Dates for the calendar**

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Unanderra Public School has now registered an official team and are looking for families to come and join us on the day in raising much needed funds for the redevelopment of the Wollongong Children's Ward and Illawarra Shoalhaven Children's Assessment Unit. This year we can earn up to $1,000 worth of sporting equipment, just by getting people from our school community participating in Run Wollongong. On top of that when our school gets 50 registrations we will go in the draw to win a super session with the Dragons. That's a full day with the Dragon's at our School!

To register and join us:
1. Visit the website www.runaustralia.com.au
2. Click ‘register now’
3. Then select ‘Run Wollongong’ as your event
4. Click that you are registering as a ‘TEAM’
5. Select ‘Public/School’
6. Click ‘Join existing team’
7. Search 'Unanderra Public School OFFICIAL'

Please remember you must join the ‘OFFICIAL’ TEAM’ or it will not be added to our school count!

Natalee Brennan

Canteen News: The canteen will be open for the school fete. It will be a “RED” day, for those unfamiliar with RED days the canteen will be selling extra treats. Menu for the canteen school hours as normal from 2-6 Hotdogs, sausage rolls, pies and fish cocktails. Thank you
Mel, Canteen Manager

P & C News

Welcome back everyone to Term 4! The P & C is very excited that our Fete Fun Day is almost here. Please read below for all the latest updates and key dates.

Next P & C Meeting: Our next meeting will be next Monday, 13th October at 7:00pm in the school staffroom. If anyone would like to add anything to the agenda for the evening, please place your agenda item and contact details into the P & C box at the office before the end of the week. If you have not attended a meeting before then please come along and join us. Everyone is welcome!

Bright Star Kids: For all your school labelling needs see Bright Star kids. Just provide the school’s details when you create your account or at checkout when you complete your order and 20% of sales will be paid back to the school. Support Bright Star Kids, who are a generous sponsor of our school fete fun day, at www.brightstarkids.com.au

Joanne Crawford, P & C President

Unanderra Public School Fete Fun Day

Date: Friday 24th October 12:00pm to 6:00pm

Our next fete meeting will be this Friday 10th October at 12:00pm in the banking room next to the staffroom.

Sample bags pre-order forms were due back last term so we can no longer accept any orders. A limited number though will be available on the day.

Fete information packs were sent home for each family. Please pass on your flyers to family and friends if you haven’t already done so. More flyers are available from the office and ride band order forms.

Ride bands order forms are due back this Friday 10th October, so please return them as soon as possible. Ride bands are $25 pre-ordered, $30 on the day and $5 for individual rides.

Raffle tickets and money whether sold or unsold are due back by Monday 20th October. More ticket books are available from the office if your allocated lot have been sold already. A $20 gift card will be awarded to the student who sells the most tickets.

Note: Please ensure correct money is included in envelopes and envelope’s are clearly marked with the event /activity.

Our last Trash and Treasure collection day will be this Friday 10th October. Collection times are between 8:30am – 9:30am and then again between 2:30pm – 3:30pm. Fete committee members will be located at the back entrance to the hall near the old uniform shop. Items to be donated include books, DVD’s, toys and household knick-knacks. All items need to be in good working condition. Please do not bring white goods, electrical appliances, clothing or any large items. Items are not to be left outside these times indicated.

For all those people able to help out at the fete please fill in your volunteer forms and return them to the office as soon as possible to allow us to start our planning for the day.

Donations of prizes for our "chocolate wheel" are still required. If you can help out with donating any items big or small, it would be greatly appreciated.

For all donations, volunteers or questions please contact Joanne on 0439190462 or Katie on 0450806234.

Joanne Crawford and Katie Byrne, Fete Fun Day Coordinators
School Banking: Welcome back to Term 4 of School Banking, we hope everyone enjoyed their break. To start off the school term we had 66 bankers, we hope to see many more in the coming weeks. Please remember this is the last term to claim your prizes, and the last term to be able to get to 10 tokens.

Congratulations to 2W they are the weekly class bankers.

Parents please be aware that blue deep sea envelopes have been sent home to students that have reached 10 tokens, please have your child fill out and return upon next deposit. Tokens are not added to next year so please claim your prizes. Also please keep tokens in the bank book folder as this is how we track what your child is up to.

Just a reminder that you only need to bank a minimum of 5 cents each week to deposit. A small reminder to parents, please fill out the deposit slip as the book will be sent home with no deposit made, thank you for your assistance with this.

Can you please remind your child(ren) to drop off their bank books / money on TUESDAY mornings in the "red bin" in the school office before school starts. No bank books / money will be taken after 9:30am.

Elizabeth Ilievski and Dajana Castagna, Banking Coordinators

Community News

123 Magic & Emotion Coaching: This time tested workshop provides easy to follow steps for disciplining children aged 2-12 years without yelling, arguing or hitting. 3 Monday Evenings 6:30pm – 9:00pm 13, 20 & 27 October or 3 Wednesday Mornings 29 October, 5 & 12 November CatholicCare, 25-27 Auburn St, Wollongong Workshop Fee: $15 per session for bookings phone 4227 1122

31st Doll, Bear & Craft Fair: Our not-for-profit Club has raised over $185,000 for local hospitals, charities and organisations. The Fair is a great outing for the whole family. Held at the Wollongong Town Hall on Sunday 19th October 2014. Between 9:30am and 4:00pm

Fun Fridays at the PCYC: is returning to PCYC Lake Illawarra on Friday 10th October 2014. Fun Fridays is a games & sports activity for children between the ages of 5 & 12. It will run from 4pm – 6pm throughout term 4. This is a free activity for primary school aged children although all children must be a member of the club to participate (membership is $10 for 12mths). Places are limited so please book your child’s place by phoning the club on 4296 4448

Go4Fun: Is a healthy lifestyle program for children aged 7 to 13 years, who are above a healthy weight. Best of all it’s absolutely FREE. WHEN DOES GO4FUN RUN? Go4Fun runs for 10 weeks after school or on weekends during the school term, and children attend a fun filled 2 hour session each week with their parent or carer.

WHAT DO WE DO AT GO4FUN? Each week you and your child will learn about healthy eating, setting goals, portion sizes, label reading and more. The program also includes a supermarket tour where you get to put everything you’ve learnt into practice. Every week the children will also be involved in fun and interactive games and activities to get their heart rates up and enjoying being active. START UP PACK - Your child will receive a start-up pack including:
- Go4Fun backpack, Go4Fun t-shirt, Go4Fun water bottle
- Your child can also earn bonus rewards including: Wristbands, Bouncy balls and $30 Rebel Voucher*

HOW DO I ENROL? Registrations for Term 4 programs close soon with limited places still available in our Lake Illawarra program running every Thursday from 4-6pm at Lake Illawarra PCYC starting Thursday 9th October. We’d love to welcome you and your child into a Go4Fun program and encourage you to secure your child’s place in a program by contacting 1800 780 900

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