Principal’s Message

Permission and Payment
This year I have included several messages within our newsletter regarding the adherence to due dates for the return of permission notes and payments. Last week's athletics carnival became somewhat of a watershed moment with several families looking to pay after the due date.

Please be mindful that no member of Unanderra staff takes pleasure in turning away children who wish to participate in an event. It is a family's responsibility to ensure that permission and payment is provided before or on the due date.

It is the aim of teachers and admin staff to provide information regarding activities requiring permission or payment at least two weeks in advance. Reminder messages are provided in newsletters and on the electronic sign in front of the school. Teachers often remind students about activities either in the classroom or at assembly.

To avoid future disappointment please ensure that you read the newsletter for upcoming activities and if you have not received a permission note ask to receive another one. All permission notes and payments must be paid by due dates to avoid disappointment.

Reports
Student reports will be provided to students this Thursday. Please check to ensure your child brings his / her report home. It is important that you read the report and provide your child with feedback.

Positive feedback about what your child is doing well, or indeed, how your child could be doing something better is always valued by children. Terms such as “I like the way you….”, “Your teacher is pleased with the way you….”, “A little more effort in …. will result in…..”, supports your child to continue doing her / his personal best at our school.

June 24, 2014

Permanent Teacher Advertisement
Last Wednesday an advertisement was published in Jobs@NSW for a permanent classroom teacher position here at our school. The application phase closes on Wednesday 2nd July. It is anticipated the process for appointing a new permanent member of staff will be completed early next term. The successful applicant will commence in January 2015.

Eastern Europe Flood Relief
Our office ladies literally had their hands full this morning counting the gold coin donations for the Eastern European Flood Relief. The combined total from today’s donation was $558.40. Congratulations to 3/4L for raising the most funds as a reward for their efforts they will be giving extra playtime today. It is anticipated this money will support children overseas. Thank you for supporting this cause, we are hopeful of seeing the outcome of this donation in due course.

Athletics Carnival
Mr. Batley has undertaken the mammoth task of being our Sports Coordinator. One of the biggest occasions on the sports calendar is the annual school athletics carnival. Mr. Batley is so fantastic in the position of Sports Coordinator he was even able to ensure perfect weather over Beaton Park last Thursday. Job well done Mr. Batley!!!

Due to other commitments I only had the opportunity to visit for an hour on the day. However, I was very pleased with the smooth operation of the carnival and the engaging smiles from the students, parents and teachers I talked with as I walked around Beaton Park. Mr. Batley received great support from teachers, admin staff, parents and our pre-service teachers on the day. My extended thank you to all involved…our students had a great day!!
229 School
Many of you would be aware that our school is 1 of 229 public schools undertaking a school autonomy trial. The word ‘trial’ signifies the possibility of risk or error and or experiences have met with some.

We are working toward ensuring our attendance data is accurate from Semester 1. As a back-up we are asking parents from several classes to confirm attendances over a few days. If your child is in 1M, 1/2R, 2E, 3H, 4D, 5BL, 6B or 6M please look for the note and return it by this Thursday 26th June. Your attention to this matter is very important and very much appreciated.

P&C Trivia Night
Last Friday evening was terrific! A huge ‘Thank You’ to our wonderful P&C for organising the Trivia Night. In the end it mattered not whether you won the actual trivia contest, the evening was entertaining from start to finish. I will be actively supporting our P&C toward the Trivia Night being an annual event, and I am certain that possibility will be raised at the next P&C meeting. Quite possibly we can add to the 80+ community members who participated last Friday evening.

Term 2 Closure
While actually only 9 weeks long Term 2 has felt significantly longer due to how busy it has been. From this Friday we now have two weeks to relax and refresh before Term 3 commences. Term 3 will be 10 weeks long and commences on Tuesday 15th July for students. Teachers will return a day earlier to undertake professional learning.

Quote
Anger is an acid that can do more harm to the vessel in which it is stored than to anything on which it is poured.

Mark Twain

Craig Redfern
Principal

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Enrol Now for Kindergarten 2015:
Enrolments for Kindergarten 2015 are now being accepted. Thank you to the families that have already completed and returned their Enrolment forms.

Kindergarten Information Night for Parents will be held on Wednesday 25th June at 6:30pm we look forward to meeting you there.
Kindergarten Orientation Dates are as follows:

**Session 1:** for New Families to Unanderra Public School. Tuesday October 21 and Tuesday October 28, 2014.

**Session 2:** for Existing Families at Unanderra Public School. Thursday October 23 and Thursday October 30, 2014.

A detailed letter and invitation to families, who have submitted their enrolment forms, will be going home next term regarding orientation details.

Carolina Wilkinson, Administrative Manager

**Lost Property:** Just a reminder that lost property is located outside Miss Compton’s room (lower level closest to the library). There are various items that have been handed in to lost property that have not been claimed. These include, jumpers, hats, lunch boxes, containers, pants and shoes.

Students are permitted to look through lost property in the morning and afternoon or during recess and lunch. Parents are also welcomed and encouraged to look through the items as well. Anything with a name on it is returned to the student, however, there are numerous items that are not labelled.

Please ensure everything that comes to school has a clear visible label on it, which will ensure the item is returned to your child if found in the lost property. Due to OH&S requirements at the end of this term any unclaimed containers and drink bottles will be thrown out.

**Miss Compton, Lost Property Co-ordinator**

**SRC Disco:** The SRC will be hosting the annual school disco on the evening of Thursday 26th June, 2014.

There will be an infants disco (Years K-2) commencing at 4:30pm and concluding at 6:00pm. The Primary disco (Years 3-6) will commence at 6:30pm and conclude at 8:00pm.

The cost of the disco is only $2. This contributes to the cost of hiring disco lights and the purchase of prizes for the night. Tickets will be on sale from Thursday, 19th June. They will be on sale every morning in Area A. Tickets can also be purchased on the night of the disco at the door.

The theme of the disco is, ‘Superheros and Villains’. To add to the fun of the event, students may like to dress up as their favourite superhero or villain. Please note that this is optional and students are not required to dress up to attend the disco.

We also ask each family to contribute one small plate of party food to share on the night. A drink will be provided as part of the $2 admission fee.

Andrew Bennett, SRC Patron

**P & C News**

**Trivia Fundraiser Night:** Our first Trivia night was held last Friday night and what a fantastic night it was. Close to 85 people attended and together we raise nearly $1,300 for the school. We had games, music, singing, tower building with spaghetti and very entertaining hosting by Mr Redfern and Mr Hoy. Thank you to all the parents, grandparents, friends and teachers that came along and made the night such a success and to those who stayed and helped clean up.

The P & C would also like to thank the following businesses that supported the night with their generous donations for our raffle and lucky door prizes:

- Starshots
- Eagle Boys Unanderra
- Thai at Unanderra
- Elders Real Estate Wollongong
- Bunnings Warrawong
- Zest Fitness
- Savvy Fitness
- Country Grocer Unanderra
- Lil Delights
- Anytime Fitness Unanderra
- Studio 2
- Giulianis Family Pizzeria
- Nippers to Flippers
- Supreme Property Services
- Soyalicious Candles
- D’Amatos Restaurant
- Lowes Westfield Figtree
- The Nail Club Westfield Figtree
- Unanderra Hardware Man

**Uniform Shop:** As we head into our final week before the closing of the P & C uniform shop and our move to Lowes, I would like to thank Mandy Marks, Amanda Hampton and Jenny Denham for their valuable time and effort in the successful running of our uniform shop. We would not have been able to provide this service to our school community without your dedication and organization. Many thanks also to the many volunteers that have provided their time to assist.

**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](http://www.brightstarkids.com.au)

**Next Meeting:** Our next P & C meeting is scheduled for Term 3, **Monday 11th August at 7:00pm** in the staff room. This has changed from the 4th August as stated in last week’s newsletter due to the public holiday. If you have not been to a meeting before now is the time to join. It only costs $1 to be a financial member and anyone is welcome to come along.

From all the P & C, we wish everyone a safe and happy school holidays and we will see you all back in Term 3.

Joanne Crawford, P & C President
Unanderra Public School Fete Fun Day:
This is a special section of the P & C newsletter that will be dedicated to providing details about the upcoming Fete Fun Day. Please refer to this section for requests for volunteers, donations, schedules and planning details.

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

The planning stages for the Fete Fun day are going great. We are now opening up our meetings to anyone who would like to come along and assist with organising the stalls or volunteering with the organising or running of events on the day. We are meeting tonight, Tuesday 24th June at 7:30pm at Wests League Club. So come along if you would like to be involved.

We have had a great response from our UPS families for our market stalls and donations. Spots for market stalls are filling fast and only a few spots remain so if anyone owns or operates a business and would like to hold a market stall at the fete, then please contact Karen Soulis on 0401064006 as soon as possible.

We are still after any donation of prizes for our ‘Big Raffle’ or “chocolate wheel” and anyone else who like to volunteer to help out.

Mufti day for Term 3 has now been organised to assist in collections for the fete.

- Friday 5th September, 2014

Themes and donation items will be advised closer to the dates, so watch this space.

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: Congratulations to 1/2R and 2W for having the most class bankers this week! An extra congratulations to 1/2R for the most class bankers this term, well done, what a great effort!

Thank you to all UPS Bankers, what a fantastic effort you have all made this term, we hope you continue this into term 3, for a chance to earn youru prizes. School banking will commence next term from the 15th July, have a great holiday and enjoy your break.

Elizabeth Ilievski and Dajana Castagna, Banking Coordinators

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Community News

Woonona High School 50th Anniversary:
Celebrate 50 Years of Public Education at Woonona High School on August 15, 2014 with an Open Day at the school—9:00am—2:30pm followed by an evening of reminiscing and dinner at Woonona Bulli RSL at 6:00pm. Two course dinner, memorabilia and entertainment. Bar facilities will be available. Ticket Prices: $50.00 single $80.00 couple. See our facebook page www.facebook.com/whs50th; school website www.woonona-h.schools.nsw.edu.au or contact the school 4284 1513 (Liz or Sue) for further details.

Free Saturday Go4Fun Program: Free healthy lifestyle program for 7-13 year olds. Worried about what your child eats? We can help. Go4Fun offers children and their families support and advice on nutrition and good eating habits. The program is fun and interactive with lots of games and activities to keep children active and at the same time boost their self-esteem. This program is run and funded by the Illawarra Shoalhaven Local Health District. New! Saturday afternoon programs for Term 3 at Shellharbour and Wollongong. Call 1800 780 900 Call 1800 780 900 SMS 0409 745 645 for a call back or Visit go4fun.com.au

Athletics NSW Coaching Clinics: These school holidays come and attend coaching clinics for Cross Country, Javelin, High Jump and Long Jump and Middle Distance running being held at Sydney Olympic Park Athletic Centre. Places are limited so register now at www.nswathletics.org.au/Coaching/ANSW-Super-Clinics for more information contact Lisa Corrigan@nswathletics.org.au or phone 02 9746 1122

Wollongong Art Gallery School Holiday Workshops: The holiday program runs from 1st July to 11th July. 2 hour workshops $20 per child. Full day workshops $50 per child. For bookings and information please phone 42278500

Learn Golf Free at Wollongong Golf Club: Learn Golf $ FREE $ Friday 11th July 11 1:30-4pm bookings essential Jack Newton Golf Foundation has partnered with Wollongong Golf Club in promoting Junior Golf throughout the Illawarra region. In Particular, Wollongong Golf Club has appointed Specialist Junior Golf Coach, Darius Gear. The Following Programme of classes is designed for school students just starting in golf. Join us for Junior Golf Fun over the upcoming school holidays. JUNIOR CAMP Monday 7th July and Thursday 10th July 10-2pm school holidays $50 - 1 day $90 - 2 days For enquiries and bookings into classes: 02-42223114 proshop@wollongonggolfclub.com.au www.wollongonggolfclub.com.au/
**Skoolzout @ Unanderra School Holiday Program:** Located at Unanderra Public School. This service is provided by Big Fat Smile (Illawarra Children’s Services) and is for children aged 5-12 from 8:00am-6:00pm every week day. For more information or to enrol phone 4272 5355 or visit bigfatsmile.com.au Child Care Benefit are also available.

**Artspace July School Holiday Program:**
Artspace is operated by Big Fat Smile, a not-for-profit organisation Creative arts studio for kids aged 5-18 years. Holiday program runs from 30th June to 4th July 2014. Workshop costs:- 5hr workshops: $20, 2 hr workshops: $25, 3 hr workshops: $30, Day sessions: $55 (BYO lunch) 98 Railway Street, Corrimal. Bookings Essential phone: 4283 9967

**Surf Groms:** AST Surf School presents Surf Groms for 5-12 years. Free Surf lesson /open day at Bullie on 5th July (11am to 3pm) at at North Gong on 6th July (11am to 3pm) Held these holidays at North Wollongong Beach and Bulli Beach. Holiday programs are now available online from 7th to 11th July [www.surgroms.com](http://www.surgroms.com) To find out more phone 1800 711 189 or email info@australiansurftours.com.au

**Foster Kids Need More People Like You:** Great kids come from good families. Short term and long term foster carer needed. Please help. Come along to our Free foster care info session, 5pm to 6pm on Thursday 31st July at Dapto Ribbonwood Centre, 93 -109 Princes Highway, Dapto. To reserve your place call 1300 130 585 William Campbell Foundation. [www.wcfoundation.org.au](http://www.wcfoundation.org.au)

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