



THE NEWS



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INFORMATION IN THE OFFICE

- Paisley Park Early Learning Centre on Miller Street is taking new enrolments, Ph 1800 724 753
- Junior Writers Club, Flash Fiction Challenge, Entries close 8th November, winners drawn 7th December.
- Kids Karaoke and Disco— Every Saturday Night . Ages 0-6 1.30-3pm, Ages 7-12 4-6pm and Ages 13-17 7-9pm. Karaoke up to 4 singers, cold water available at no cost. Security on duty at all times. Admission—\$11/\$5 (under 2) CWA Hall, 19 Pugul St, Urangan.
- C&K East Street Kindy—50th Birthday Celebration. Saturday 14th October 9am-1pm. 71 East Street, Scarness. Jumping Castle, face painting, merry go round, coffee van and BBQ

GOLD AND SILVER AWARD RECIPIENTS



PRE-PREP IMPORTANT DATES

DATE CLAIMERS: 9:15 am – 10:45 am	
Transition Visit One:	13 th October
Transition Visit Two:	27 th October
Transition Visit Three:	10 th November
Transition Visit Four:	24 th November

DATES TO REMEMBER IN OCTOBER:

- 13th - Whole School Parade
- - Fun Run
- 16th - Pupil free day
- 20th - Whole School Parade
- - Issue 7 Book Club due back
- 26th - Performing Arts Night & Awards to be held at Urangan High School
- 27th - Grandparents Day
- - Whole School Parade

MESSAGE FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Dear Parents and Caregivers,

P and C News

Thank you to all our P&C members who attended the meeting on Tuesday afternoon. Thank you to Jana for her services this year as our P&C Treasurer. Due to personal reasons, she has had to vacate the role. If you or somebody you know, within our school community, is able to fill this P&C Treasurer role for the rest of the year, please email me ASAP.

We will also be looking for a new School Banking officer for 2018. This requires about an hour a week for the school year. If you are interested in helping our students develop a positive attitude towards financial literacy and good saving habits, please contact the school and we will organise some training for you before the end of the year. Thankyou to Karen Waldon for coordinating school banking on behalf of the P&C.

After our October General meeting, we are looking to form a Tuckshop sub-committee, who will be responsible for the general running of the tuckshop (menu, prices and products used). If you are interested in being a part of this committee, please contact Jo in the Tuckshop.

In order to be a part of this committee you will need to be a P&C Member, which requires you to fill out an application form.

Our first meeting will be on Wednesday October 18, 2017 at 3.15pm in the staffroom. Look forward to seeing you there.

Pupil Free Day

Monday is a Pupil Free Day. Staff will be involved in Professional Development around our school priorities. Please make sure this date is marked on your calendars.

Gold Award Luncheon

Due to financial and legislative reasons, we will not be running the Gold Award Luncheon that has happened in past years. The students will be rewarded and we will do our very best to make sure we acknowledge their efforts in the classroom and around the school.

2018 Classes

Next year we will be looking to start the year with a twenty class format. Final numbers on day eight of 2018, will dictate final class structures. An outline of our classes will be included in the newsletter towards the end November and final class lists will be released in the last week of term if possible.

It is important that we know, as soon as possible, about any new enrolments that we can expect in 2018 – particularly those children starting Prep. This will help to ensure that we have a great start to 2018. If you, or anyone you know, is considering starting a new student at our school in the New Year, please have them contact us ASAP.

Please notify the school office if your child will not be returning to UPSS in 2018.

This week's article on teaching children organisation skills follows. Hopefully you'll find something of interest in the article.

How to Teach Kids Organisation Skills

By [Amanda Morin](#),

Your daughter comes thumping into the kitchen to tell you she forgot her math book at school. Your son can't find his favourite toy and wants you to help. None of your students can find a pencil. The list goes on and on, but the bottom line remains the same—kids aren't always the most organised of creatures. Teachers and parents know it, but we sometimes forget that, in order to curb the disorganisation, we need to teach kids organisation skills.

Teach Organisation at Home

Step 1

Begin organising your home when your **children** are young. Though they may not yet recognise what's going on around them as systematic, it's much easier to teach organisation skills early on than it is to try to instil them once your kids have developed disorganised habits.

Step 2

Create a place for everything. As the old saying goes "a place for everything and everything in its place." Help **toddlers** and preschool aged children sort their toys into drawers, buckets or shelves, putting things together in logical groupings. Let them know that you expect the toys to be returned when they're not being played with, and assist in this process until it becomes automatic.

Step 3

Model the behaviour you expect. Kids can't be organised if they live in an atmosphere of chaos. So, **clear** the old mail and school notices off the kitchen counters, put away the laundry and grab yourself a daily planner.

Step 4

Use a large calendar to keep track of appointments and activity schedules. Encourage the whole family to write something on the calendar as it comes up and remember to periodically sync your daily planner with the calendar. It's likely that you'll make appointments while you're out—those will need to be transferred to the family calendar.

Step 5

Keep a running "Things We Need" list. You can either use a piece of paper tacked to a bulletin board or the refrigerator or another white board. Asking people to write down foods or supplies as they run out will help you stay organised for shopping trips.

Teach Organisation for School

Step 1

Buy your child an assignment book or planner if the school doesn't already provide one. Let them know that you expect them to write down homework assignments as they are given and, at the end of the day, they should check to make sure they have all the necessary materials before leaving school.

Step 2

Establish a homework routine. Whether it's asking your kids to do their homework right after school or setting aside a specific time in the evening, having a time (and place) for homework can help to organise kids. Help your child to set up a quiet space and teach them to take out all the materials they need to complete an assignment before beginning.

Step 3

Teach the art of planning ahead. Many children have long-term assignments for school, but few of them begin until right before the assignment is due. Assist your children in breaking the assignment into smaller components that can be completed over the course of the assigned amount of time. Teach her how to create a timeline indicating when each piece will be completed.

Step 4

Allow your child some disorganisation. In fact, expect it to be so! Kids can't be organised all the time and really shouldn't be. If their disorganisation gets in the way of something they enjoy or causes them to receive a poor mark, then they will know to be more organised next time.

Have a great fortnight!

Geoff Pelling

Acting Principal

Principal: Geoff					
Date	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
16/10 - 20/10	Pupil Free Day	9.30-10am New Enrolment 11.20-11.45am Supervised Sport	11.20-11.45am Supervised Sport 12-12.30pm New Enrolment 3.15pm Staff Meeting	11.20-11.45am Supervised Sport 12-12.30pm New Enrolment	11.20-11.45am Supervised Sport 2.15pm Whole School Parade
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NEWS FROM YEAR 6 PREP P

We are exploring directionality through coding



Prep S

We are having a great time learning about and creating our own Super Hero's. We are investigating the different ways they move. We are looking forward to writing letters to super heroes and finding out a lot more about them. Mrs Kirk even made us an amazing classroom door! If you know any super hero facts please let Prep S know.



Prep U

We are busily designing their Water Wise Scarecrow garden ready for the Fraser Coast Council to judge on October 19th.



MASTER TEACHER UPDATE:



DID YOU RECEIVE YOUR SMS DINNER TABLE TOPIC?

This week we kicked off our weekly dinner table reading topics. On Tuesday around 6pm, hopefully you received a text message on your phone with our weekly reading topic. This text message was deliberately sent at dinnertime to give parents a perfect conversation starter to use with their children around the topic of reading. So often as parents we have asked our children 'what did you do today at school?' to hear the answer of 'nothing'. By using the dinner table topic when the family is together for the evening meal, you can prompt your child about their day. You may be surprised at with the amount of information your child will be able to tell you.

If you missed the text message this week's dinner table topic was;

Tonight's dinner table topic comes from the "ENGAGE" phase of reading. Did you read a book this week that reminded you of something we have done as a family?



POSITIVE COMMUNICATION TOKEN CHALLENGE

As you walk into our foyer, you will see our positive communication token challenge. The staff have set themselves a challenge of filling the word RESILIENCE with positive communication tokens. After a positive conversation with a parent, the staff member will place a token onto the word. So far we have four tokens BUT we need to increase this! The next positive conversation could be with you about your wonderful child.

Angela Hubbert

Master Teacher

CHAPPY'S CORNER

Hope everybody had a lovely holiday time together and are set to tackle the last quarter of the year.

I've been witnessing some children around our school take great pride in their fundraising efforts for the school fun run. This also has drawn my eye towards some lovely parents who over the years I have seen take great pride in contributing to our school community.

Sometimes we get used to people doing these jobs in the background, however it is sad that we ignore the good things we become accustomed to. It is lovely to see the tuckshop and P&C alive with passionate parents, giving their all to make our school a better place for our students !

Mr Pelling and the school executive team have begun brilliant conversations on the importance of resilience which is absolutely a core need in any journey of success. However, also important is treasuring our values and the good we can bring to the world as we venture along our resilient journey.

If your child is passionately gathering sponsors or donations for the fun run or if you are a person in our school or wider community who contributes and encourages your children to contribute and be caring- a massive thankyou for making our world a better place.

Unfortunately not everyone feels confident or connected enough to be able to contribute, but if there is ever a way we can help you and your family feel more connected at our school- let us know.

Have a happy fortnight-
Chappy Brydie

CHOIR

Both Junior and Senior choirs have been busy preparing for the inaugural Arts Awards which will be held on Thursday 26th October at Urangan State High School Performing Arts Centre. A letter with more details will be out this week.

STUDENT COUNCIL REPORT

The Fun Run is the biggest fundraiser and most significant for the Student Council. Please review the booklets and seek sponsors to support our school. There are some great prizes to be won, with every student who raises \$10 or more eligible for a prize.

All students at UPSS participate in the activities and will receive an icy pole for their efforts. All fundraising will conclude this Friday 13th of October.

Breakfast Club- if you need breakfast on the go, it's available Monday to Friday from 8.30am at the canteen. Please remember it closes at 8.50am to allow time for our student leaders to prepare for their day.

Its icy cup weather again, with icy-cups now available on Friday afternoon for 50c at the bike racks and prep area.

Thank you for supporting our Student Council, happy fundraising.

Fun Run Activity Timetable



TIME	YEAR LEVEL
9.05-9.30	Year 4
9.35-10.00	Year 1
10.05-10.30	Year 3
10.35-11.00	Year 2
12.00-12.25	Prep
12.30-1.00	Year 5
1.05-1.30	Year 6

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