

URANQUINTY PUBLIC SCHOOL NEWSLETTER



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Future Directions

As you would be aware we have spent considerable time planning our school's direction for the next three years. I want to make sure that everyone is quite clear on where we are headed and what will be the focus in the near future. Our three strategic directions are;

*Lifelong Learning,
Building Wellbeing &
Community Connections.*

Lifelong Learning is crucial to our desire to engage students in the learning process and motivate them to develop learning habits that will remain with them forever. It also highlights our own commitment as teachers to continual Professional Learning. The three main areas in Lifelong Learning we will focus on are How2Learn, the Australian Curriculum and Assessment & Reporting. Students, staff and parents will be offered training in each of these areas. As a part of this direction we were hoping to implement a new report format this term, but we have found we will need more consultation time so we are aiming for the end of the year reporting period.

Staff and student **Wellbeing** is vital to the harmonious running of our school. There are three areas of focus in Building Wellbeing; Resilience, Physical & Emotional Wellbeing and Behaviour Policies. Programs such as BluEarth, How2Learn and Sensory Awareness are being implemented and further training will be offered to staff and parents in this area in the near future.

Within the direction of **Community Connections** we are facilitating the expertise of local community members and partners to enhance a broad education for our students in the areas of the Environment, Aboriginal Education, the Arts, Sporting pursuits and Science.

Student Medical Information

Each year we are required to collect updated information on each student who has been identified with a medical condition such as asthma or allergies. I understand that sometimes the child's condition has not changed since last year but it is a legal requirement that we collect up to date information each year.

Each child who has been identified with a condition will be receiving a form which needs to be returned to school in the near future (unless it has already been received this year). If your child has a medical condition that we are unaware of, please contact the school.

National Reconciliation Week

This week we celebrate National Reconciliation Week and the theme for 2015 is **It's time to change it up!** Each class will be recognising and explaining what this means separately and in assembly this week we will be marking the event with a special visitor.

Student Medications at School

Please note that the only medications we are able to give to students are ones that have been prescribed by a medical practitioner. All medications are to be in their original box/container with a pharmacy label on it. A request for administering prescribed medication to student form needs to be filled in and handed to the office before any medication can be administered. If you would like to discuss this further please contact the school.

Contact Details

As people often change phone numbers, please ensure we have up to date emergency contact numbers for your child.

GRIP Leadership Day

Today our Year Six students and Miss Fuller are attending a leadership day at CSU. We look forward to having them share what they have learnt when they return.

Wagga PSSA Athletics

We wish all our competing students well as they head off to the district carnival at Jubilee Park tomorrow. Mr Morris will be the coordinating teacher for the Small Schools.

PJ Day

Don't forget next Tuesday, year six will be raising money (**gold coin donation**) with a pyjama day. I'm looking forward to snuggly slippers and a hot chocolate!

Parents are welcome to come and join in the fun before school.

Community Meeting

This Wednesday evening there will be a community meeting at the Uranquinty Community Hall where our school will be promoting some of our future directions to the community and explaining our partnership with Origin Energy to the community. Families are welcome to attend this event at 6pm tomorrow night.

ICAS Science competition test

The Science test will take place on the 3rd June.

Assembly

Please note that we will have our whole school assembly tomorrow at 3pm, even though some students will be attending the Athletics Carnival in Wagga.

2014 Uranquinty 'Academy Awards' DVD

DVD's from last year's end of year concert are for sale at the office for \$6.

If you would like a copy either call into the office or send money with name in an envelope and it will be sent home with your child.

Date	Event	Cost
26 May	GRIP leadership day	NIL
27 May	Community Meeting	
28 May	Wirraminna Excursion Years K/1	NIL
2 June	Year 6 PJ and Breakfast day	
2 June	P & C Meeting	
3 June	Enviro Champs	
3 June	ICAS Science test	
4 June	Origin Power Station Excursion	NIL
8 June	Public Holiday	
9 June	Riverina Cross Country	
17 June	MAHS Taster Day	
22 June	Reports Home	
26 June	Last Day Term 2	

Important Canteen News

Hi parents / Caregivers,
Due to the canteen break in I have cut back on some menu items.

The following will be **UNAVAILABLE** until further notice.

- ❖ Potato top pies
- ❖ Chicken wrap
- ❖ Nachos
- ❖ Orange juice
- ❖ Streets ice creams

Teresa McDonald

P&C News

Thank you to everyone who took the time to support our pie drive.

The funds raised are greatly appreciated and go directly towards helping your children.

Well done to the Graham family who raised the most money and will receive the South Wagga Bakery voucher.

Kath and the P&C Committee

Tennis Club

The new date for the AGM is tonight, **Tuesday 26th May** at 7.30pm at the Neighbourhood Centre.

The club is in need of support or will be forced to close.

We hope to see lots of people there to discuss the future of the Tennis Club.

Wirraminna Excursion

Students from years 2 to 6 travelled to Wirraminna last Thursday and had a wonderful time searching, navigating and learning about endangered species and their native habitat.

This Thursday, K/1 students (if you haven't returned the permission note please do so ASAP) will be heading off to Wirraminna to learn lots about our native animals and how we can help protect their environment.

We are extremely grateful to Origin's sponsorship of these events which means there is no cost to our families for these excursions.

Please ensure students are dressed in warm casual clothes and are at school by 9:20 on Thursday.

There is room for interested parents to attend this excursion, please let Ms Caskie know if you would like to attend.



Pyjama Day Breakfast

Tuesday, 2nd June 2015

Come to school early on Tuesday
for a fun and warm way to start the day.

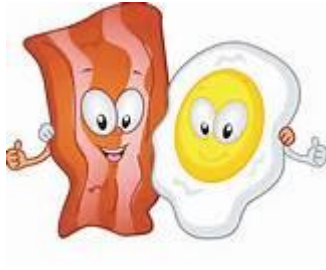
**A warm Bacon and Egg roll
with a Fruit Box or Hot Chocolate.**

All family members are invited for breakfast.

No cooking or clean-up, for only \$5-00 ea.

Serving time: 8.45 am to 9 am.

Note: The breakfast will only go ahead if we have enough orders.



Order Forms to be returned on/before Friday, 29th May 2015
please.

Name/s:.....

Class:.....

Bacon & Egg Roll Combo: \$5-00 How Many?

Paid: \$.....

Drink included in Combo:

Tropical Fruit Box or Hot Chocolate

(Please circle which drink you would like)