URANQUINTY PUBLIC SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

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Welcome!

Welcome back to our returning families and a warm welcome to our 13 new students this year. We have had a wonderful start to school and are expecting to have an excellent year. Our school has a very calm tone and I hope all our new families feel very welcome.

Teaching Staff

K/1 – Jen Lawrence (& Cathy Crick on Fridays)
2/3 - Kristy Brett (& Jess Fuller from Term2)
4/5/6 - Hayley Healey

Support Staff

School Admin Manager – Louise Cowell
Student Learning Support Officer –Tash Kemp
Student Learning Support Officer- Kylie Lewington
Student Wellbeing Support – Joe Burgess
General Assistant - Tony Blight
School Cleaner – Renee Brightman

Welcome BBQ & Parent Info Session

We would like to invite all parents up to the school **next Wednesday afternoon** for a Welcome BBQ and class information sessions. The teachers will spend some time explaining requirements and routines for their class. It's a good time to ask general questions, but specific interviews about your own child will be offered later. If you can't make the meetings feel free to catch up with your child's teacher in person or by phone over the next week or two. The children are welcome to enjoy a sausage sizzle and play after school while parents are with the teachers.

Best Start

All kinder students across the state are required to undergo an initial Literacy and Number assessment during the first weeks of Kinder called 'Best Start'. Mrs Lawrence will spend individual time with each child this Wednesday and Thursday whilst Mrs Crick takes the class. Parents will receive written feedback on their child's literacy and numeracy skills after a few weeks.

UPS Swimming Carnival

Our school Swimming Carnival will be held at **The Rock Memorial Pool** on Thursday 18th Feb. We will commence the day at 10am and families will need to provide transport to and from the pool. Please contact the school if you cannot transport your child and staff may be able to assist. All students K-6 will participate in the carnival. Students may decorate in their house colours; Kookaburra-Yellow and Rosellas-Blue. This is always a fun family day and younger siblings are welcome to join in the novelty events in the wading pool.

Small Schools Swimming Carnival

Following our whole school carnival will be the Small School's Carnival on Friday 19th in Wagga for all Year 2-6 students. This is not optional for students as there are novelty races for students who are not strong swimmers and we expect all students to be cheering their peers on in the races. Parents are invited to attend at the Oasis. Mrs Crick and Mrs Kemp will remain at school with K/1.

P&C Meeting

Our February meeting will be held **next Tuesday** at 3:30pm under the COLA. All new and existing families are welcome. The children are welcome to stay and play but there will be no direct supervision by staff.

Covid Safe Check-in

All schools are now required to provide QR codes to check in with Service NSW to assist Covid tracing. Please use a phone camera to check in when entering the office area.

School Stream App

Most parents have accessed the UPS school app to assist communication. The app can be used on both apple and android phones or other devices. It will have many functions including; emergency announcements, reminder alerts, student absence explanations, payments, permission notes and instant communication. Please see the attached information and we encourage all new families to download the app and start enjoying the features offered.

Canteen

Many thanks to Denis and Vicki Saunders for managing the canteen again this year. They are in need of volunteers to assist from time to time. Please volunteer to help out if you are able to, so that when Vicki and Denis are not available the canteen can remain open.

Permission Notes

Please take some time to read the attached notes carefully and return them as soon as possible. We use the general walking permission notes for any visits to the Rec Hall or walking around the township of Quinty. We will also need a copy of parents car rego papers and licenses if you are willing to transport other students in your car anytime throughout the year to sporting or other events.

Book Club

Book Club orders and money are due back into the office by Monday 15th February.

Uranquinty Netball Club

Any girls wishing to play netball this year? Uranquinty Netball Club is holding their registrations at the Rules Club on Friday 19th Feb from 5pm to 8pm and Sunday 21st Feb from 10am to 1pm. All ages welcome from 7yrs.

Further enquiries please contact Laraine Hill on 0413362668. We accept the Active Kids Vouchers.

Calendar

February;

Tue 9th – P&C 3:30pm

Wed 10th - Welcome BBQ & Class Info Sessions

Thurs 18th – UPS Swimming Carnival – The Rock

Fri 19th – Small Schools Swim Carnival –Yr2-6