BUSY WEEKS AHEAD

Next week NAPLAN Testing will be completed by our Year 3 and Year 5 children. During this time I will assist with taking the Year 4 & 6 children together to minimise any distractions. The children have been well-prepared for the testing program format by the class teachers and I wish them all the best for the 3 days of testing and am sure they will do their Personal Best just like Upwey Primary School’s “Our 7 Agreements” encourage.

The week following NAPLAN testing will be EDUCATION WEEK. We have organised Pre School Transition activities with Upwey Pre School and Sherbrooke Kindergarten during the week and look forward to these children being introduced to Primary School. A feature will be Special Person Afternoon on Monday 19th May from 2:00 until 3:30 pm (visitors are invited to attend from 1:30 pm during lunch time to see the children at play). Visitors will be involved in classroom activities with the children on the Science Theme. Open Evening on Tuesday 20th May from 7:00 until 8:30 pm will present hands on activities in the Science theme “Space”. Families are invited to attend and be involved in the experiments/activities. Children will have a Space Passport to complete during the evening as they rotate around the 4 activities organised.
NEW SCHOOL POLO SHIRTS
As you may have noticed this week the new design polo shirts are now available at a cost of $25. Before you rush to buy the polo tee shirt I would like to inform you of a proposal that will be considered by the School Council as recommended by the PA/Fundraising Committee at their meeting this week. There is the possibility that all children in the school will be subsidised in purchasing one of the new polo shirts. It could work like this.
1. The PA will purchase a polo shirt voucher at a bulk discounted rate for each child in the school (excluding Year 6 children who already have a Specially Printed Year 6 polo shirt, unless they specifically request such).
2. Parents would then purchase the voucher from the school for a set fee (anticipated to be $10) and go to Beleza to pick up the appropriate size polo shirt with the voucher.
3. Any extra polo shirts would be purchased at full cost from Beleza.
This would be a one-off proposal to provide an opportunity for the polo shirts to be introduced in a quick and co-ordinated manner.
This proposal is not approved as yet and will need to be ratified by School Council and Beleza. I will keep you informed.

UPWEY RSL – WAR MUSEUM EXCURSION
Grade 3/4G attended the Upwey RSL on Wednesday afternoon this week. They had a most memorable and enjoyable visit and gained valuable information during the information and viewing session (plenty of hands on activities of course). Thanks to Mr G and Sue M for organising the visit and Upwey RSL for their time and effort. This was part of the History - Concept Theme that is currently being completed by the grade.
UPWEY TOWNSHIP WALK
Grade Prep/1C visited the Upwey Township today as part of their Concept Theme. This was a great opportunity to see the township in action and note some of the buildings and shops in the precinct.

ATTITUDES TO SCHOOL SURVEY 2014
The Year 5 & 6 children have completed the Attitudes to School Survey yesterday. The results will be available for us during Term 3. They provide valuable information on which to base some programs and influence school planning.

STUDENT ABSENCES – PARENT NOTIFICATION
Notifications have been sent recently as a specific reminder to any parents of children absent for unexplained reasons. Please attend to these notifications if you have received one and return to the office ASAP so that we can have our attendance records up to date. It is a Department policy to have parents indicate reasons for absences and inform the school.

CHOCOLATE DRIVE – PA FUNDRAISING
As part of the PA/Fundraising Commitments for 2014 they will be holding a Chocolate Drive. *If you do not wish to receive a box of chocolates to sell for school fundraising then please notify the office so that you do not receive them.* I am anticipating the Cadbury Chocolate Boxes being distributed next week. On the flip side if you do not receive a Chocolate Box and wish to assist fundraising by selling them, please also contact the office and this can easily be organised. Thanks again to the PA/Fundraising Committee who do such a wonderful job to support our children. Please assist the fundraising at school by supporting this venture.

MOTHER’S DAY STALL
Our hard working PA/Fundraising Committee organised the Mother’s Day Stall today and children selected from a range of terrific gifts for mums. Thanks to the band of helpers who assisted in sales at the stall and helped the children with such difficult decision making!
I hope all the mums from the Upwey Primary School Community have a great day on Sunday 11th May and are pampered beyond their wildest expectations by their children!

HOMEWORK CLUB BEGINS
A Homework Club will start up next week on Wednesday from 3:30 until 4:30 with Danielle Q in the Library. Please contact the office if you would like your child to attend, but you will need to organise pick up between 4:00 and 4:30 pm.

SCHOOL COUNCIL MEETING
The next School Council Meeting will be held on Monday 26th April
The following issues will be considered
Conclusions from Information & Communications Technology Working Party
Multi-Purpose Room improvements quotes.
The Green Purchasing Policy to be ratified.
The school Annual Implementation Plan 2014 and Annual Report 2013 are to be discussed.

CURRICULUM DAY – FRIDAY 6TH JUNE
Our Term 2 Curriculum Day for Written Report Writing will be held on Friday 6th June. There will be no classes for children on this day as it is a Student Free Day. Teachers will be busy writing up Semester 1 written reports.

SCHOOL NURSE VISIT
Our School Nurse Sarah Torsello will be in attendance on Monday 12th May at 9:30 am to provide Health Checks for our Prep children.

UPCOMING EVENTS
NAPLAN TESTING NEXT WEEK
Year 3 and Year 5 children will be undergoing the NAPLAN standardised testing program next week. The actual testing will occur on Tuesday 13th May (Language Conventions & Writing), Wednesday 14th May (Reading) and Thursday 15th May (Numeracy).

EDUCATION WEEK – MONDAY 19TH TO FRIDAY 23RD MAY
Education Week activities will be completed in the week beginning Monday 19th May.
Our Open Evening on Tuesday 20th May from 7:00 pm and our Special Person Afternoon on Monday 19th May from 2:00 pm will be the feature activities for the week. Invitations for the Special Person have been distributed last week and the Education Week Timetable will also accompany the newsletter.

NATIONAL VOLUNTEER’S WEEK
Monday 12th - 18th May
We wish to acknowledge and appreciate all our wonderful volunteers who assist us with our school programs and provide vital support for Upwey Primary School during this week and always. We would like to name you all but we have not got enough room here!!!
SCHOLASTIC BOOKFAIR
Our Bookfair will coincide with Education Week this year. The display/collection will arrive for parent/student purchase on Friday 16th May 3:15 – 4:00 pm and will continue to be available on Monday 19th from 2:00 – 4:00 pm and Tuesday 20th May 3:15 – 4:00 pm (final day). Parents and relatives are welcome to attend for viewing and purchasing during these times.

UPWEY PRE SCHOOL VISIT
The children from the Upwey Pre School will attend Upwey Primary School on Tuesday 20th May from 9:15 to 10:15 am for a school experience in the science area. They will be taken by Mrs Christofis. I look forward to their involvement.

SHERBROOKE KINDERGARTEN VISIT
The children from the Sherbrooke Kindergarten will attend Upwey Primary School on Monday 19th May (Group 1) from 9:15 to 10:00 am and Thursday 22nd May (Group 2) from 9:15 to 10:00 am for a school experience in the PMP area. They will be taken by Mrs Christofis. This is a first time program and I look forward to their involvement.

SCHOOL PHOTOS - MONDAY 26th MAY
All children, parents and staff are reminded that the school photos will be taken by SchoolPix on Monday 26th May. Order Forms will be distributed soon so please make sure you complete them and hand the photo form back as late fees are likely to be charged for late orders.

SPORT
HOUSE CROSS COUNTRY COMPETITION
The House Cross Country Sports will be held next week on Friday 16th May in the morning between 9:30 and 11:00 am. Children will be able to attend in House Colours to show their allegiance. All children will be required to participate unless excused for reasons provided in a parent letter, or obvious injury! Children will be running over appropriate distances according to their age level; with the Year 5 & 6 children running over 2-3 kilometres. The course will be on the school oval and across Upwey High and the Upwey Reserve. Children may walk the event which is part of our PE and Sports Program in the school. Any parent helpers would be much appreciated for the morning. Please contact me or the office if you are able to assist.

The anticipated timetable is:
- Preps: 9:30 am
- Year 1 & Year 2: 9:45 am
- Year 3 & Year 4: 10:00 am
- Year 5 & Year 6: 10:30 am

DISTRICT CROSS COUNTRY
The results from the House Cross Country Competition results will determine the school team for the District Cross Country Sports which will be held on Friday 23rd May at Crystal Brook Park, Cardinia Reservoir (Melways126B11) from 12:30 pm. (We will be departing in the bus at around 11:00 am and returning to school by 3:00 pm). The team for the District event will be provided with permission notices after the House Cross Country event.

IMPORTANT INFORMATION
FOCUS AREA - PERSONAL BEST
Grades will continue focusing on Personal Best. This is one of Our 7 Agreements and is such a vital area for children to be applying themselves to all aspects of academic, sporting, behavioural and social development. Please support the school by also highlighting this focus area after school hours.
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By Ben N.

We all dressed up as aboriginals which was really fun for all of us because Darby took pictures of us. It was the best day we had for doing it. And I made weapons, bracelets, necklaces and a back weapon, and much more. We had to get all of the materials from the slope and oval and I picked two pieces of tan bark and one branch of leaves. And I worked with Emily.
By Banjo

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By Nathan D.

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By Jack

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By Adam

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By Nathan M.

We got to collect some materials to make aboriginal clothing. I loved making the aboriginal clothing. I loved how Ben M. and Ella made weapons.
By Rhianna

We collected materials outside to make aboriginal clothes. Me and Ben M. had a lot of trouble making clothes, but finally we got the photo and straight after the photo the costume broke.

By Banjo

We collected nature and made clothes out of grass and sticks. We went out hunting like aboriginals. I loved the tool belts and headbands we made. I made a headband.
By Ripley

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By Nathan M.

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- Book Fair to coincide with Education Week. Open on Friday 17th 3:15-4:00pm, Monday 19th, 2 - 4pm and Tuesday 20th 3:15 - 4:00pm.
- Sent out letter requests today to companies requesting donations for upcoming Trivia Night (in August).
- Chocolate Drive later this term. Any families who don’t want to receive a box of chocolates, please contact the office.
- Hot Soup Day - June 13th More information to follow.
- Family Movie Night in the Hall - June 20th (TBC). $5 per family, BYO dinner, pillow, blanket, for a 7pm Family Movie

**We have been approved by School Council to spend last years fundraising money on the following items.**

- Library books $500
- Games for clubs $200
- Student Welfare Program $200
- P.A Sound System $1000
- Market Fresh $100
- Library Posters $400
- Junior Readers $600
- Technology Kits $300
- Playgroup $200

**Upcoming fundraising to be a part of this year:**
- Group booking at Cadbury factory outlet. Date TBC.
  - Trivia Night, August
  - Shopping Tour November
- Bunnings BBQ - Sat 6th Nov

**Next Meeting June 3rd, 2pm. All welcome**
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#### Before & After School Care

Hi all.
Here’s what’s on at BASC next week.
**MONDAY**- Space pictures. Black paper, tin foil & coloured paper should make some beautiful pictures.
**TUESDAY**- Plasticine play
**WEDNESDAY**- Making candles
**THURSDAY**- Games in the hall
**FRIDAY**- Cooking. Mini pizzas.
Have a great weekend & see you Monday.
Sam.
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Saturday 9.00am – 5.00pm

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Auditory Processing and Learning
What could your child’s behaviour be trying to tell you?

Information session & question forum with Laila from Blue Horizon
Tuesday 13th May and Tuesday 3rd June 2014
7.00pm to 8.30pm

At: Chirnside Park Country Club, 68 Kingswood Drive, Chirnside Park

We help children with:
Learning and Behaviour difficulties
Development and Language delay,
Autism Spectrum Disorders
Auditory and Visual processing difficulties

Bookings essential Cost $25
Please contact Blue Horizon on 5967 2335

Do you really know what Upwey High School has to offer?

Upcoming Term 2 School Tours
Tue 13 May, Thu 15 May, Tue 20 May, Thu 22 May (all at 9am-10:30am)
And other times by appointment – 9754-2838

Song & Dance classes in Upwey

Come and try a class at Every Body Dance Studios!

Janelle Miller has over 20 years experience teaching girls and boys of all ages and abilities including students with diagnosed ADHD, Down syndrome, cerebral palsy, vision and hearing impaired students.

Song & Dance classes for 1 – 5 year olds: teach gross and fine motor skills, rhythm, coordination and confidence.

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For all enquiries please contact everybodydancerelax@gmail.com or 0414732711

Places in classes are limited to ensure equality and safe dance practices

BELEZA UNIFORMS

OUR NEW POLO SHIRTS ARE NOW AVAILABLE FROM BELEZA
Community Gathering to workshop ideas about how we can grow, cook, share and learn about good food in The Hills. It will be held at Burrinja Cultural Centre in the Black Box Theatre on Sunday, May 18. Burrinja is located at 351 Glenfern Road in Upwey. Come at 12.30 with some yummy food to share before the meeting at 1pm. We aim to finish by 3pm.