

**Next Weeks Events**

**Monday—  
Tuesday—  
Wednesday—  
Thursday—  
Friday—**

**DATES TO REMEMBER**

**July 2021**

29th– Foundation Dinner

**Aug 2021**

18th-20th Gr 3/4 Camp Weekaway

23rd-27th Book Week

27th– Book Week Parade

**Assembly Tomorrow**

Assembly tomorrow will be at 2.50pm, via WebEx

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number: 874 095 039 Password: school

We ask that all attendees please leave their microphones on mute during the entire assembly.

No parents or carers are able to attend assembly onsite due to density limits and DET operation guidelines

**Parent Opinion Survey Reminder**

Thank you to the families who have completed the Parent Opinion Survey for this year.

All families were invited to participate in the survey via the Sentral Parent App last week.

We would love to have at least 40 families complete the survey to make the data useful, the responses are used to drive the future direction of the school.

Thanks

**Donate and Borrow!**

Does your child need a new jumper?

We have a range of near new jumpers available for your child to loan for a \$1 or \$2 donation to go towards decodable books.

Once your child no longer needs this jumper they can return it and keep the cycle going.

Jumpers will be available Monday morning outside the office.

**What's New in this Issue** ♦

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**Current Operating Guidelines**

Its great to have students back on site!

Our current operating guidelines have been released.

Until further notice we ask that parents and carers, where possible, keep visits to the school grounds and buildings to a minimum. Anyone entering the school grounds must be wearing a mask and if you must enter a school building you are required to sign in via the QR code, no matter the length of time you are inside.

Students arriving late must still have their late arrival acknowledged by a parent, we are more than happy to take a phone call at the office and have someone make sure your child makes it to class. The same applies for early departures, please call the office and we will escort your students out to you.

If you do enter the office reception, please be aware that we can only have 3 people in that space, including students, so you may need to wait outside if we are over the limit for that area.

All students will be attending assembly via webex from their classrooms as we can not hold whole school assembly at this time. The webex link for assembly is always on the front page of the weekly school newsletter for parents and carers to access.

As the guidelines change we will keep our community updated.

Thank you.

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# Weekly Awards

## **Student of the Week Awards will be presented to:**

**Alex Jacobs-Hatzis** for trying your best with all your learning tasks. Well done, Alex!

**Matilda Robinson** for being engaged in our lessons and completing all of your set task to a great standard! Keep it up Matilda!

**Leroy Thomson** for an amazing return to school and sharing your brilliant Olympic knowledge. Great job Leroy!!

**James Ware** for putting excellent effort into all his home learning tasks. Awesome work, James!

**Lily Godden** for her diligent work throughout remote learning. Thank you Lily for giving all work your best effort and bringing a positive attitude to every meeting.

**Shiva Viswanathan** for being a responsible student by uploading his work on the classroom and making sure he attends daily WebEx meetings.

**Jessica Fraser** for participating and being prepared for our online learning meetings. Amazing effort Jess!

**Ava Kelly** for the outstanding effort she put into each of her home learning tasks. Well done Ava!

**Spike McIntosh** for the positive energy you provided to all of us during our online meetings during remote learning. Thank you for making us laugh and smile!

## **Values Awards will be presented to:**

**Finley Wright** for returning to school with a great attitude and positivity towards your learning. Brilliant job Finley!!

**Claire Stokes** for always being respectful towards others by keeping your hands and feet to yourself. Thank you, Claire.

**Tahlia Anderson-Zerafa** for displaying respect towards your teachers and peers, especially while learning remotely.

**Jenna Maskell** for always showing respect by allowing the people around her to concentrate, both when we are on the floor and when we are working at our tables. Thank you for the consideration you show, Jenna.

**Hunter Armstrong** for always being a kind and considerate member of our class.

**Charley Anderson** for being respectful to her peers personal space whilst sitting on the floor. Keep it up Charley!

**Keira Mouser** for always showing kindness and respect to all. Thanks Keira!

**Billie Pantelic** for the effort she has shown during remote learning and ensuring she attends all daily meetings.

**Emily Pallant** for taking initiative with all your daily activities during remote learning, whilst you were at school, and supporting other students who needed it. Well done!

## **Special Principal's Awards will be presented to:**

**Cody Clayton Barnard** for all of the wonderful work you did during remote learning and for being resilient to learning in a different classroom with different teachers. Super effort Cody!

**Abby Carland** for the resilience and determination you displayed starting the High Ability program during remote learning. You persevered and used your growth mindset to join an new learning platform and engage with others. Excellent effort!

**Connor Kelly** for the resilience and determination you displayed starting the High Ability program during remote learning. You persevered and used your growth mindset to join an new learning platform and engage with others. Excellent effort!

**Ruby Anderson** for the friendship and kindness you extend to every member of our school community. You have such a big heart Ruby! Thank you!

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# Principal's Report

We're back!!! And it's wonderful!!!!!!!

It was great to see our students arrive at school yesterday, with big smiles and ready to settle back into school life. Our children all seemed to really enjoy catching up with their friends and their teachers.

We have introduced split break times to ensure social distancing can be maintained in staff rooms and to minimise students mixing with other cohorts of children.

There are two different break blocks:

Break 1: Recess 10.30 – 11.00 Lunch 12.45 – 1.30

Break 2: Recess 11.00 – 11.30 Lunch 1.30 – 2.15

Students in F,1,2 have the early break times on Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays.

Students in 3,4,5,6 have the early break times on Tuesdays and Thursdays.

We would like to request that parents only come into the school if it is absolutely necessary. Parents who do enter school grounds should be wearing a mask and must use the QR code if they enter any of the buildings. If your children are late – please phone the office and we will sign them in.

Assemblies will continue to run via WebEx.

Unfortunately, we are unable to have parent helpers on site at this stage – let's hope that this changes very soon. We appreciate your patience and your support with these current measures.

Our Lego excursion has had to be postponed, but we are very hopeful that we will be able to provide this experience for our students in the future, when the guidelines change.

In good news, our Grade 3/4 camp is able to go ahead. Information is coming home today. Please ensure your children return their permission forms and payment asap as we are currently finalising the numbers for this.

I would like to thank all of our staff members for their valuable work over the remote learning period. They constantly adapted their work for the purposes of providing the best possible support to our children. I am so proud to be part of such an incredible team of professionals.

This week our teachers have spent time analysing our behaviour data to look for areas of concern and design strategies to support our students in developing resilience and managing conflict. We have also been assessing students using a new system called DIBELS which will give us specific information on how to address learning needs of our students in reading.

Thank you for the support and love you give to your children. Please stay safe. Be kind.

Sue Egan

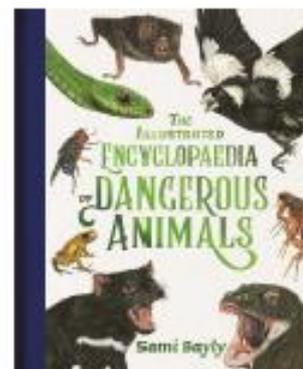
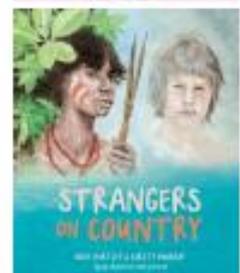
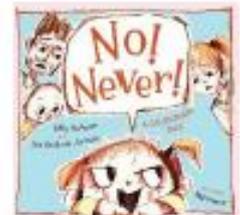
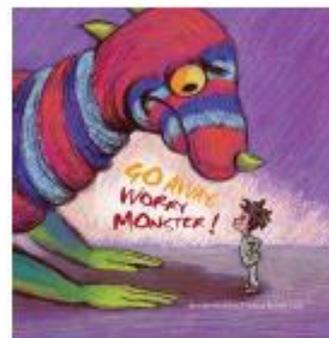
## Children's Book Week 2021

It's nearly that time...Children's Book Week! We will be celebrating this special event from Monday the 23rd of August. During the week, classes will be reading some of the books shortlisted for the Book of the Year award. It's always wonderful to explore texts that celebrate and share our diverse Australian culture. This year's theme is 'Old words, new worlds, other words'. Where do books take you? To ancient battlefields? To exotic countries? To galaxies far, far away?

On Friday the 27th of August, we will hold our annual dress up day and parade to celebrate our favourite books! Stay tuned closer to the date for more details on whether parents can attend on site, or whether we will do a Webex broadcast for this.

We'll be handing out certificates for the most creative costumes- we can't wait to see where everyone's imaginations take them!

Until then, happy reading!



<b>Term 3 2021</b>	12th July	17th September
<b>Term 4 2021</b>	4th October	17th December

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## Internet Banking

Just a reminder that any fees and excursion payments can be made via Internet Banking

**Account Name:** Upper Plenty Primary School

**BSB:** 633 000

**Account Number:** 1544 88 100

In the **reference** section please put in your name as this is how we know who the payment belongs to.



## WHALE WATER



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**SCHOOL WISE POSITIVE BEHAVIOUR SUPPORT**

**This week's SWPBS Value is Respect.**

Students have been learning why it is important to keep your hands and your feet to yourselves. Personal space is very important. Think of your personal space as the air between your body and an invisible shield, or bubble, you have formed around yourself for any relationship.

By being respectful of your own personal space, as well as the personal space of others, it allows people to feel safe no matter where they are.

You can help encourage this at home by designing 'safe spaces' for your child/ren to go to when they are not feeling safe, or are escalating emotionally. Having a 'safe space' allows students to calm down in their own time, as well as prevent anyone else from being affected by the behaviour.

One of the most important things we can do to slow the spread of coronavirus (COVID-19) in our community is to stay at home when we are unwell, even when we have the mildest of symptoms.

## What you need to know

### 1. If a child is unwell, even with the mildest of symptoms, they must stay at home

If a child becomes unwell during the day, they must be collected from school/early childhood education and care (ECEC) as soon as possible.

### 2. If a child has any of the symptoms of coronavirus (COVID-19) outlined below, however mild, they should get tested and they must remain at home until they receive their results:

- fever
- chills or sweats
- cough
- sore throat
- shortness of breath
- runny nose
- loss of sense of smell or taste.

In certain circumstances headache, muscle soreness, stuffy nose, nausea, vomiting and diarrhoea may also be considered symptoms.

For further advice:

- call the 24-hour coronavirus (COVID-19) hotline 1800 675 398
- call a general practitioner
- use the Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS) [online self-assessment tool](#).

Visit: [Where to get tested](#).

### 3. A child must stay at home until they are symptom free, even if their coronavirus (COVID-19) test is negative

If a person has tested positive for coronavirus (COVID-19) or been identified as a close contact they must isolate/quarantine until they receive clearance from DHHS.

**Children with persistent symptoms due to underlying conditions such as hay fever or asthma** whose symptoms are clearly typical of their condition can continue to attend ECEC/school. They should be tested for COVID-19 if they develop symptoms that are different to or worse than their usual symptoms. They should consider getting a medical certificate from their GP to attend ECEC/school if they have persistent symptoms that may overlap with symptoms of COVID-19 such as cough or runny nose.

**Younger children (pre-school up to Grade 2) may have prolonged post viral symptoms** such as a runny nose or cough and may return to school/ECEC following a negative COVID-19 test even if they are not completely free of symptoms. They will need a medical certificate from their GP to confirm they are otherwise well or have recovered from their acute illness.

For information on the minimum periods students and children need to stay at home for other conditions, refer to the [DHHS school exclusion table](#).

### 4. Children do NOT need a medical certificate before returning to school/ECEC

Once symptoms have cleared, there is no requirement from the Department of Education and Training or DHHS for children/students to have a medical certificate before they return to school/ECEC.

**Thank you for your support in following these steps, together we can all stay safe.**



This advice has been prepared by the Department of Education and Training, Safer Care Victoria and the Department of Health and Human Services