



UPDATE

7th March 2024



Next Weeks Events

Monday– Labour day Public Holiday

Tuesday– Dental Van

Wednesday–

Thursday–

Friday–

DATES TO REMEMBER

March 2024

11th– Labour Day Public Holiday

12th– Dental Van

22nd– School Photos

26th– 2025 Foundation enrolment info session –7pm

28th– Last day of Term 1

April 2024

15th–First day of term 2

Assembly tomorrow will be at 2.50 pm

If you are requiring to pick up your child early on a Friday you need to do so 5 minutes before assembly starts.

We will not be interrupting assembly to retrieve children.

Weather permitting assembly will be outside on the basketball court, if not it will be in the Central Learning Space.

150th Birthday Memorabilia

We have 150th coffee mugs and drink coolers for sale at the office for those who didn't get a chance to purchase on Friday night.

Mugs \$15
Drink Coolers \$10



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Last day of term 1—Thursday 28th March—Finish time 2.30pm

There will be an Easter hat parade, details to come home soon.

There will not be an assembly on this day.

All students will finish at 2.30.

No afternoon school bus on this day.

2025 Foundation Sibling Enrolments

If you have a sibling starting Foundation in 2025, please contact the office so we can note it down. The enrolment forms for 2025 will not be released until the end of Term 1, and there is nothing more than letting the office know, that you need to do until then.

Once the forms are released we will send them home to the families we have on the list.

The enrolment timeline and all the new rules are on our website.

[Enrolment \(upper-plenty-ps.vic.edu.au\)](http://upper-plenty-ps.vic.edu.au)

We will have an information session on Tuesday 26th March at 7pm, that you are welcome to attend.

Weekly Awards

Student of the Week Awards will be presented to:

Payton Schelfhout for an outstanding first week at Upper Plenty Primary School. Thank you for being a wonderful member of 3/4H.

Lucinda Bryant for the effort that you are making in class to challenge and extend your learning. Great work Lucinda!!

Laura Stokes for doing an amazing job using all the writing techniques we've learnt to persuade. Wonderful writing, Laura!

Olivia Gannon for going above and beyond by asking for an extra word building task to do this week. You rock, Olivia!

Hannah Leighton for facing challenges with an optimistic attitude and a big smile! Keep up the great work Hannah!

Jenna Maskell, you are always so kind and thoughtful.

Thank you for always checking in on your friends when you know they may not be feeling positive. You are an excellent friend, keep up the good work.

Charlotte Rohde for being an all round delight in the classroom and being a great friend in the playground - thanks for being a great role model Charlotte!

Kurtis Ritchie for always coming into the classroom with a bright and happy attitude. It's so nice having you in the classroom Kurtis!

Billie Barrueto for making great progress with her learning and organisation. You should be so proud of yourself Billie!

Values Awards will be presented to:

Miranda Micallef for making mature decisions leading to more time in the green zone. Well done, Miranda - keep it up.

Alex Kolotelo for knowing his zone and using strategies to be in the right zone to improve his learning. Well done Alex!

Sam Gauci for being open and honest about what zone you are in when taking part in classroom discussions this week. Well done Sam!

Anastasia Stamos for using your deep breathing strategy to move yourself back to the green zone. You are doing great Anastasia!

Ben Williams for identifying his feelings and taking breaks when he needs them. Keep up the great work Ben!

Guneet Thandi -Congratulations Guneet for using strategies to stay in the green zone this week. You have managed to stay very positive, well done!

Tink Kolotelo for showing a great awareness of the different zones of regulation and the strategies for getting back to green zone. Awesome effort, Tink!

Reid Azzopardi for coming into the classroom ready to learn and making positive choices - Superstar!

Alice Vasilevski for using strategies such as moving to our calm area and drawing to get herself back into the green zone. Amazing resilience Alice!

Students Choice Awards will be presented to:

Charlie Ryan-Kennedy for being sensible with words and actions

Sedaah Ocean for being kind and calm in the playground.

Principal's Awards will be presented to:

Ezra Armitage for working hard in learning time and being a kind friend in the playground! Super effort Ezra!

Jessie Mercer for the enthusiasm you show towards learning and for the friendship you give to everyone in your class. Well done Jessie!

Principal's Report

Oh What a Day!!!!!!! Our 150 celebration was FANTASTIC!!!!

THANK YOU! THANK YOU! THANK YOU!

I was so grateful to all who attended. It was lovely to catch up with past families and to meet families whom I had never met before!

The HIGHLIGHT of the day was the running of the event by our student leadership team. They worked tirelessly throughout the week to ensure that everything was in place for the big day. They conducted tours around the school and their public speaking was sensational! Well done!!!! Huge THANK YOUS to Tim Stokes who shared some very entertaining stories about the 'good old days' when rules were quite different at school, Mikaela Stokes for her beautiful guitar song - 'Blackbird', our prep students for their interesting insights, Jasmin Shackleton for her kind and thoughtful words, Rob Mitchell and Lauren Kathage for giving up their time to speak to us, Josie for sharing her own memories of her time with UPPS, Alison for presenting us with the incredible plaque from The Shack, and of course, our students!!!! They were so respectful throughout the entire event and their singing really had us all tapping our feet! Our magnolia tree to commemorate 150 years has been planted near Ezmond, so that we can see it as we enter and exit the school, and we are just waiting for the plaque to add the finishing touch.

Thank you everyone for supporting us with this wonderful celebration!

The following students have been selected for the VHAP program for term 2 Math, congratulations and this achievement.

Mikhael George-Jacob

Nathaniel Hansa

Spike McIntosh

Aryan Shandilya

Teachers are now preparing IEP updates and getting ready for NAPLAN which commences next week.

Have a lovely long weekend! Please stay safe!

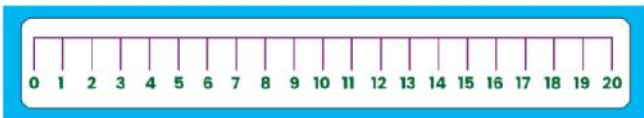
Let's all be kind to one another.

Sue Egan

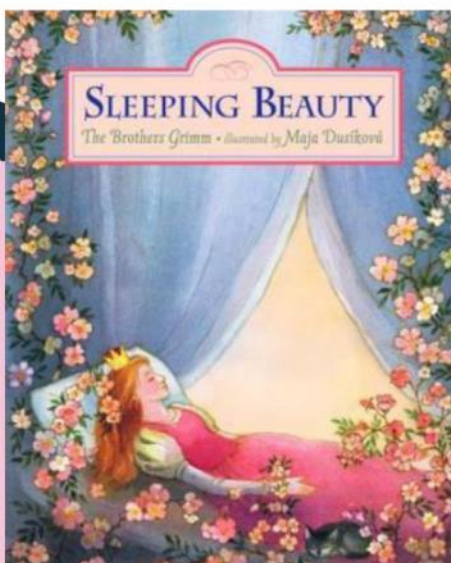
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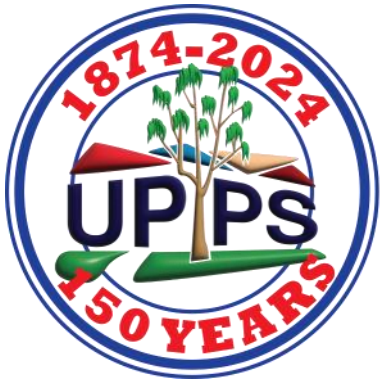
We have had an incredible 'Week 6' together!

In math, we are completing some great work using number lines and number charts, comparing numbers to see which is higher and improving our number sense to know our friends of 10 efficiently!



We are thoroughly enjoying our fairytales that we are exploring! This week we are diving into two classics, 'Sleeping Beauty' and 'Rumpelstiltskin'. Due to 'Rumpelstiltskin' having a unique name, we as a class had the chance to talk about our own names and why they are so special!





150th Birthday



School Photos Friday March 22nd

Annual school photos including sibling photos will be taken by Arthur Reed Photos on Friday 22nd March 2024.

There is no need to return any forms or money to school.

Unique image codes will be issued to all students on/after photo day so families can register online to view images when they become available in the webshop. Registration is simple, just follow the 3 simple steps on your child's personalised flyer once you receive it and remember to add the codes for all your children attending this school. Even if you registered last year, it's important that you do again this year using your child's 2024 image code to link their images for the current year with your contact details. When images are ready to view and in the webshop, all parents who have registered will be notified by SMS and email.

Once registered, please wait for notification that 2024 images are online to view before making your purchase.

SCHOOL PHOTOS 2024 - Important Registration Information



School Photographs will be taken at

Upper Plenty Primary School

Friday 22nd March 2024

There is no need to return any forms or payment to school before photo day

Flyers with Unique Image Codes will be issued to all students on or after photo day

When you receive your child's 2024 image code

Follow these 3 simple steps -

1 Go to order.arphotos.com.au and enter your child's **2024 image code**



2 Tap on 'Add another child' to enter the image codes of any siblings



3 Fill in your contact details & review before confirming your registration*



*This information will only be used for distribution of personal image codes and ordering details.

That's it!

It's important to register each year to link your child's **NEW** images to your contact details. When 2024 images are ready to view in our secure webshop you'll be notified by email and SMS.

• **Create photo packages with any layout & YOUR choice of images + Multiple Image Downloads**

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**** Please wait to receive notifications that new images are online BEFORE ordering for 2024****



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Student Information Updates and Permission to Photograph

Please return the Student information Updates to Kylie Butler in the office, these came home via email this week.

Permission to photograph only needs to be returned if you do **NOT** want your child to be included in photographs during school, or included in the school newsletter.



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**LUNCH ORDER
DIRECT LINE**

0491 640 487

A reminder of our lunch order hotline, if you have any questions about the system, how to order, how to cancel an order if your child is sick/absent and so forth.

Happy to help anytime!

>>> Classroom Selection <<<

Please review your child's classroom when placing your order to ensure the classroom number is correct, to save confusion at delivery.

If anyone needs a hand on how to check this, give us a shout out on our lunch order hotline.



HOW TO PLACE AN ORDER WITH flexischools

- 1 Click "Order food" at the top of the home page on your app.
- 2 Select the child you want to order for, then the date you wish to receive your order on.
- 3 Choose the food items you wish to purchase, then select "Confirm Order".
- 4 Choose your desired payment option.
- 5 Press "Place Order" to confirm your purchase.

ENJOY!



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School-wide Positive Behaviour



This week's SWPBS Value is Resilience.

Students have been learning about the Zones of Regulation, and the way our body feels and behaves when we experience different emotions. This is otherwise known as 'Self-Regulation' (the ability to control your own behaviour).

Classes have been participating in activities and discussions designed to help students recognise when they are in each of the different Zones, and how they feel during each zone.

Students have also been brainstorming effective strategies to help them bounce back to the 'green zone' quickly.

You can help support your child/ren with this by using the 'Zones of Regulation' language at home to model how to regulate your own behaviours, and reinforce the use of 'regulating strategies', when we move out of the 'green zone'.

FOUNDATION 2025 ENROLMENT INFORMATION SESSION



Tuesday 26th March, 2024 at 7pm

Upper Plenty
Primary School

- Telephone:
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[Upper_plenty_ps@edu-
cation.vic.gov.au](mailto:Upper_plenty_ps@education.vic.gov.au)
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ps.vic.edu.au](http://www.upper-plenty-
ps.vic.edu.au)

Enrolment timeline

The Department of Education and Training (DET) has developed a statewide Foundation (Prep) enrolment timeline for students enrolling in a Victorian government Primary School in 2025.

The timeline advises families when and how to enrol their child into Foundation (Prep) at a Victorian government primary school, including Upper Plenty Primary School.

Full enrolment information can be accessed via our school website on the Enrolment page

2025 Enrolment Information Session - Tuesday 26th March -7pm

We will run an information session for all families, both new and current, wishing to enrol in Foundation at UPPS in 2025 on Tuesday 26th March at 7pm, to explain the DET process and date timeline families will need to adhere too to complete an application for enrolment. This process is consistent across all government schools.

*Please contact the
school via email to
lodge an expression
of interest for
Foundation
enrolment in 2025.*



Conveyancing Allowance

To be eligible for a conveyance allowance a student attending a mainstream school must attend:

- their **nearest government school/campus** appropriate to their year level – being the closest school determined by the shortest practicable route from the student’s residence, or the student’s **Designated Neighbourhood School (DNS)** – refer to [Find my School](#) website to identify a student’s DNS
- Students not attending their nearest government school or DNS may still be eligible under this criterion if they fall within any of the exceptions listed below.

The eligibility of any sibling of a student receiving or eligible to receive the conveyance allowance is assessed individually and will not be impacted by their sibling’s eligibility.

Next nearest school

A student may be eligible for a partial allowance to assist with the cost of travel to their next nearest government school if:

- they reside 4.8km or more from their nearest government school
- private car is the only means of transport to the next nearest school

The partial allowance is set out in the chapter – [Conveyance Allowance Rates](#).

Students who can access spare seats on a government funded school bus or public transport do not fall within this exception and are ineligible for a conveyance allowance.

Private car conveyance allowance rates

Distance (kilometres)	Amount paid annually
4.8 to 10	\$460
10 to 15	\$576
15 to 20	\$690
20 to 25	\$806
25 to 30	\$921
30 to 35	\$1,034
>35	\$1,152
Additional student	\$230
Next nearest school (government schools only)	\$345
Next nearest additional student (government schools only)	\$173

Application forms are available at the office and Term 1 claims must be lodged no later than 8th March 2024

If you have any questions please call the office.

FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE INFORMATION FOR PARENTS

Every Victorian child should have access to the world of learning opportunities that exist beyond the classroom. The Camps, Sports and Excursions Fund helps ensure that no student will miss out on the opportunity to join their classmates for important, educational and fun activities. It is part of making Victoria the Education State and the Government’s commitment to breaking the link between a student’s background and their outcomes.

CAMPS, SPORTS & EXCURSIONS FUND (CSEF)

School camps provide children with inspiring experiences in the great outdoors. Excursions encourage a deeper understanding of how the world works while sports teach teamwork, discipline and leadership. All are a part of a healthy curriculum.

CSEF is provided by the Victorian Government to assist eligible families to cover the costs of school trips, camps and sporting activities.

If you hold a valid means-tested concession card or are a temporary foster parent, you may be eligible for CSEF. A special consideration category also exists for asylum seeker and refugee families. The allowance is paid to the school to use towards expenses relating to camps, excursions or sporting activities for the benefit of your child.

The annual CSEF amount per student is:

- \$150 for primary school students
- \$250 for secondary school students

MORE INFORMATION

For more information about CSEF visit: <https://www.education.vic.gov.au/about/programs/Pages/csef.aspx>

HOW TO APPLY

New applicants should contact the school office to obtain a CSEF application form or download from the website below.

If you applied for CSEF at your child’s school last year, you do not need to complete an application form this year unless there has been a change in your family circumstances.

You only need to complete an application form if any of the following changes have occurred:

- **new student enrolments;** your child has started or changed schools this year.
- **changed family circumstances;** such as a change of custody, change of name, concession card number, or new siblings commencing this year.

Check with the school office if you are unsure.



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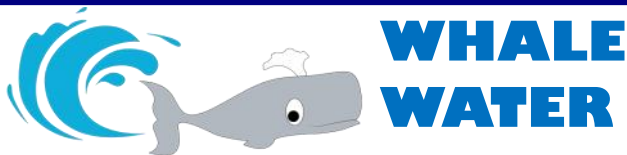


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- 1:1 coaching to build your parenting skills and confidence
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- Help to access a variety of safe and supportive specialised services

Get in touch

- thehub3756.org.au
- 1300 253 961
- thehub3756@kidsfirstaustralia.org.au
- Wallan Community Services Hub
42/80 Bentinck Street, Wallan VIC 3756

[TheHub 3756](http://TheHub3756)

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School Bank Account details

Name: Upper Plenty Primary School Council
BSB 083001
Account Number 92 466 6216

