



# Upper Coopers Creek Public School

Respect, Understanding and Responsibility

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**Term 1 Week 6**

*"We wish to recognise the generations of the local Aboriginal people of the Bundjalung Nation who have lived in and derived their physical and spiritual needs from the forests, rivers, lakes and streams of this beautiful valley over many thousands of years as the traditional owners and custodians of these lands."*

Dear Families and Friends,

**Regional Swimming Carnival:** NEWSFLASH!! Today our incredible relay team competed at the Regional Swimming Carnival in the PP6 relay. They came 2nd in their race and will be heading off to the State Championships in Sydney!! Go Team UCC!!

**Clean Up Australia:** On Friday we took part in the annual Clean Up Australia event. Our whole school focus on sustainability and responsibility has paid off as there was far less rubbish than last year.

**Chinese New Year:** We also celebrated Chinese New Year on Friday. Together we cooked a delicious fried rice and made a fruit salad, topped with Tom's legendary custard. Sue and the children created beautiful Chinese New Year themed art work.

**In the classroom:** In Science this week we have explored the knowledge of 'World's Earliest Astronomers', Aboriginal Australians. In maths we have focused on addition and subtraction strategies. In English we have been building tension in persuasive writing and we have watched some amazing historical speeches that exemplify this process. In PE Tammy was very impressed with the children's efforts in long jump. In HSIE the children are working on their research of a famous explorer from the Age of Discovery. Students are encouraged to continue to work on project at home.

Sue is away in Melbourne this week, but she'll be back on Wednesday for more art, music and Indonesian fun. Jacqui is also away, as she was offered an incredible opportunity to teach Science to schools at the Ipswich Museum for three weeks. She will be back for more Space action on Tuesday March 27. Next week Jen will be in Brisbane on Monday and Tuesday learning about Visible Learning strategies from the world's leading experts and we are very excited that Mrs Turner will be at school on those days to hold the fort.

**Billy cart:** Last week the students were very excited to begin the first step in their billy cart production. We investigated and test drove a very basic billy cart prototype to inspire ideas and



## Dates To Remember

Thurs	Mar 8	Athletics with Tammy
Mon	March 26	Interrelate at Bexhill Yr 5 & 6
	April 9	

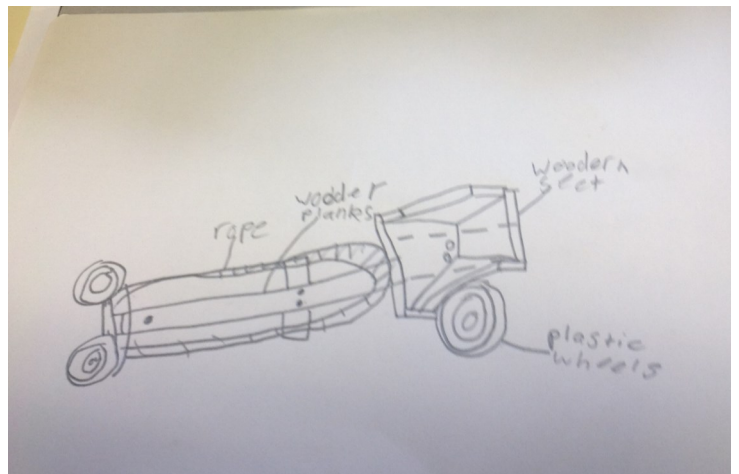
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began research into design types. Some students have already completed their first diagrams (have a look on the school facebook page).

**SRC Easter Egg Fund raiser:** The SRC is holding an Easter Egg raffle to raise funds for their billy cart project. They are asking all students to bring in an Easter egg for their Easter Hamper prize. Raffle tickets will go on sale next week.

**We are collecting Coles Sports for Schools tokens so if you have any please send them in.**



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