



Upper Coopers Creek Public School

Respect, Understanding and Responsibility

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Term 1 Week 8

"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,

Ride to School Day: Well done to those students who rode (or walked) to school last Friday for Ride To School Day. It was great to see the kids getting physically active on their journey to school.

Harmony Week: Harmony Week celebrates Australia's cultural diversity. It's about inclusiveness, respect and a sense of belonging for everyone. We will be celebrating Harmony Week at Upper Coopers next Wednesday March 25. At UCC this often involves getting together

with parents and other schools however, to slow the spread of COVID-19 in the community, we have been advised against larger gatherings. This year our celebrations will be a smaller affair with students singing songs, sharing food and telling stories in the yarning circle.



In the Classroom: In Maths this week the Senior students are working on multiplication and area (practise those times tables at home!!) while the Juniors are looking at volume and capacity. In Science the older students have looked at a timeline of the Earth and worked together to create a TV show about earthquakes. The Juniors have been discovering facts about the amazing platypus frog.

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Cooking with Nicky: All the children worked together to make a delicious leek and potato soup with garlic bread last Friday. We love cooking and eating together and sometimes students are surprised to discover that something they thought they wouldn't like, is actually quite delicious.



National Day of Action Against Bullying: Friday March 20 is the National Day of Action Against Bullying where schools across Australia work together to take a stand against bullying. At UCC we are always working to create a supportive and connected school culture.

P&C Silent Disco: Unfortunately this event may be postponed due the new social distancing restrictions—watch this space.

Jen, Nicky, Liz and Shane

Keep Corona Virus at bay in Schools (Department of Education)

Support good hygiene.

Stay home if you are sick: The Department of Education continues to work closely with NSW Ministry of Health to monitor developments. Consistent with current guidelines, children, students and staff who are unwell with respiratory illness should remain at home until symptoms resolve.

Report suspected and confirmed cases of COVID-19: All suspected and confirmed cases of COVID-19 must be reported immediately to the Incident Report and Support Hotline on 1800 811 523.

Social distancing: The Department has advised that school assemblies and school excursions should be cancelled until further notice. NSW Health has advised that no groups of students should visit aged care facilities or attend other facilities in the local community where there are elderly people or people with underlying health conditions. All major Arts, Sports and Initiative activities and events will temporarily be ceased until further notice. This includes whole school sporting events and inter-school events involving three or more schools.



Dates To Remember

Fri	March 20th	National Day of Action Against Bullying and Violence
Weds	March 25th	Harmony Day
Tues	March 31st	Life Ed at Rosebank Public School
Thurs	April 9th	Last Day of Term 1

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