

Our vision

At University Park PS, we work collaboratively to ensure every individual learns to their full potential and is a respectful and responsible member of the community.

Our Values

Respect

Responsibility

Learning

Honesty

Collaboration

Our School Improvement Goals**Student Achievement**

To ensure that the annual learning growth for every student in literacy and numeracy is greater than one year.

Student Engagement

To improve engagement by building student voice in their learning.

Student Well-being

To enhance support for every student to thrive in a safe and stimulating learning environment.

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Dear Parents,

It has been a busy time at UPPS with many of our staff celebrating and leaving to enter other phases of their lives. Mr Tudor retired last Friday, 11th August, and Mrs Harrison is teaching 3/4C for the remainder of the term, as the school interviews for a permanent teacher. I thank those parents who took the time to say goodbye and wish him well. I am sure we will see Mr Tudor, in the future, as a casual relief teacher at UPPS.

Mrs Robinson, Prep B leaves this Friday, 18th August, to prepare for the birth of her first child. Mrs Boucher is teaching Prep C for the remainder of Term 3, as the school interviews for a permanent teacher to commence in Term 4.

As a school community we wish both of these staff members all the best for the future.

School Council Vacancy

School Council is looking for a parent that would like to contribute to the school and have a positive input in to the future direction. In the last Newsletter, a parent vacancy was advertised for the School Council. Nominations closed on Friday, 11th August, but the position remains unfilled. I am now reopening the position.

If you have the time to become involved, please collect a nomination form from Kathy at the office. Nominations close on Friday, 25th August, at 4.00pm. Elections will be held, if more than one nomination is received.

A Parent vacancy has become available on the School Council and I am calling for parent nominations to fill this position. The tenure is until March 2019.

Re: Parent Opinion Survey 2017 Reminder to complete the survey by the 27th August.

30% of parents were randomly selected to complete this year's Parent Opinion Survey. Notices were distributed last week and the survey must be completed online by Sunday, 27th August.

If you were randomly selected, could I ask you to take the time to complete the survey as your opinions are important to us and will contribute to the future management and organisation of our school.

Quote of the Week

"A leader is one who knows the way, goes the way, and shows the way."

– John C Maxwell

Regards,

Andrea Federico

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Principal

IMPORTANT UPCOMING DATES:**SCHOOL BANKING DAY IS EVERY TUESDAY**

Friday, 18th August: UPPS Science & Maths Day

Monday, 21st August: Assembly in Building 3 at 9am

Thursday, 24th August: P & F Meeting at 9am

Friday, 25th August: District Athletics & Grade 1/2 Sleepover from 5pm

Monday, 28th August: School Council Meeting at 6:30pm

Thursday, 31st August: P & F Father's Day Stall (Details TBA)

Friday, 1st September: P & F Father's Day Stall (Details TBA)

Monday, 4th September: Assembly at 9am in Building 3

Tuesday, 5th September: P & F Meeting at 9am

Wednesday, 6th September: UPPS Art Exhibition from 4-7pm

Sunsmart Policy

The UPPS Policies and Procedures Sub-Committee of the School Council developed our Sunsmart Policy in 2015. The Policy is available to view on the School's Website. The information and expectations formulated are based on guidelines from the Cancer Council and the Department of Education and Training (DET). As a result of these guidelines, **students are required to wear their school hats from the 1st of September**, rather than from the beginning of Term 4, and **whenever UV levels reach 3 and above***, until the end of April. During these times, the 'No Hat, No Play' rule will apply and additional sun protection measures will be promoted via the school Newsletter, Website and Assemblies. As a result, parents are encouraged to be vigilant by checking the UV Index and responding accordingly to promote safe sun practices. This information can be found on the following site: <http://www.bom.gov.au/vic/uv/melbourne.shtml>

Please ensure that your child and/or children have access to their own school hat to allow their full participation in the playground during break times.



Great news! Our Pumptrack day has been rescheduled for Friday, 8th of September, it will be provided at no charge by the Bicycle Network. Basically, every Friday House Captains have been making their way around to all classrooms collecting everyone's mode of travel to school for the day. As a reward for everyone's amazing efforts, I have pushed for our school to have this awesome opportunity!!!

Make sure you ride your bike, skateboard or scooter to school on Friday, 8th of September. Please consider your safety and set good examples for our students to **wear helmets** if you ride to school. Students without helmets will not have a turn on the Pumptrack and must walk, rather than ride, their equipment to and from school. Students will have the opportunity to use the Pumptrack during lunch and recess, it will be supervised by UPPS staff and the Bicycle Network Team.

Miss Elshaar



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Make a difference for your local school

- Simply shop at Woolworths and you will receive one Woolworths Earn & Learn Sticker for every \$10 spent.*
- Stick the Woolworths Stickers onto the Woolworths Earn & Learn Sticker Sheet inside.
- Once it's complete, pop it into a Collection Box at your school or local store. You can download more Woolworths Earn & Learn Sticker Sheets from our website woolworths.com.au/earnandlearn

*excluding tobacco, liquor and gift cards

Last year more than 14,500 schools and Early Learning Centres benefited from the program, boosting supplies in classrooms, libraries, music rooms, gymnasiums and science labs.

It's easy to earn valuable resources to help your local school, so start collecting your Woolworths Earn & Learn Stickers today.

Go to woolworths.com.au/earnandlearn for more information, terms and conditions and answers to frequently asked questions.



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It's time to register

Whether you're a new or returning school it's time to register. Use your unique User Name and Password provided in the letter sent to your School Principal or Early Learning Centre Director. Visit teaching.com.au and follow the registration instructions from there. If you can't locate your User Name and Password, you can contact Modern Teaching Aids Customer Service on freecall 1800 251 497.

It's simple to participate

From Wednesday 15th July to Tuesday 8th September 2015, when your staff and parents shop at Woolworths they can collect Woolworths Earn & Learn Stickers from the checkout operator and place them on a Woolworths Earn & Learn Sticker Sheet. There'll be one Woolworths Earn & Learn Sticker for every \$10 spent (excluding liquor, tobacco, and gift cards). Once completed, simply place the Sticker Sheet in the Collection Box, either at your school or at your local Woolworths.

Same great partnership with MTA

We're proud to say we're partnering once again with Modern Teaching Aids - Australia's biggest supplier of resources for schools. This means you can choose your resources based on your unique needs, across every category possible including Science, Sports, Mathematics, English, Arts & Crafts, and more.

Next Steps

Inform and encourage your school community

Be sure to encourage your parents, teachers, and kids alike to support the Woolworths Earn & Learn program by collecting Earn & Learn Stickers at their local Woolworths between 15th July and 8th September 2015. Templates for emailing and writing to parents can be found on teaching.com.au

Woolworths Earn & Learn Sticker Sheet

Once collected, the Stickers need to be stuck onto a Sticker Sheet. Please print out Sticker Sheets for your students.

These can be downloaded from woolworths.com.au/earnandlearn.

Use your Earn & Learn Collection Box

Put your Collection Box in a prominent place at your school. Be sure to let everyone know to place their completed Sticker Sheets in the Collection Box.

Nominate for a Collection Box at your local store

Visit your local Woolworths to nominate your school for a Collection Box that will be displayed in store. Each store will have up to five boxes, so be sure to get in early and claim your box. You'll need to ensure that you regularly empty your box to enable customers to keep filling it up with Sticker Sheets. At the end of the program, you'll need to compile all of your completed Sticker Sheets to send back to Woolworths - a mailing will be provided closer to the time.

For more information, including Sticker Sheets and answers to frequently asked questions, please go to woolworths.com.au/earnandlearn



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