News this week:

We had the crew from ASPIRE come on Friday and visit our Year 10 – 12 students. Their mission is to deliver a program which helps students in rural areas discover University as a potential option once they leave us here at UCS. I’m sure all of our students now have an increased awareness of the possibilities of University life.

Our National Day of Action against Bullying and Violence was a massive success! A big thanks to Louise, Bridie and the SRC team for your work with Mr. Currey, organising the activities for the afternoon session – it was awesome!

Thank you also goes to our Police Youth Liaison Officer, Janelle Lynch, who presented sessions on Safe Adults, cyber bullying and responsible mobile phone use. It was great to have the Police to support our day!

Our How2Learn team are hard at work as always, with more progress being made over this week. Our Habit of Mind focus remains with Resilience, but with particular emphasis on absorption. Absorption is being able to lose yourself in learning. You become engaged in what you are doing. You are attentive and in a state of 'flow', so that you become unaware of time passing. I look forward to seeing which students gain Merit Awards tomorrow!

This week also saw Kylie Burley & Julie-Ann Angel come to visit UCS. These ladies are a part of the Learning & Engagement team. Both were very impressed with our PBL team and our progress with our Student Welfare & Discipline Policy. Both ladies were also full of praise for our Learning Support Team.

We’ve had our first go at Smoothies at Breaky Club – it was a massive success!!! Our K/1’s loved our banana and mixed berry smoothies! There will be fresh fruit juices ready to go tomorrow.

Good luck to Josh, Tom, Angus & Ryan Crofts at Western trials to go to the NSW Championships for AFL. Get stuck in boys!!!

See you soon!
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National Assessment Program – Literacy and Numeracy 2014

LETTER TO PARENTS

In May 2014 the National Assessment Program – Literacy and Numeracy (NAPLAN) will be completed by students in Years 3, 5, 7 and 9. NAPLAN has the support of all State and Territory Education Ministers and will assess the literacy and numeracy skills of students across Australian schools.

The results of the tests will provide important information to schools about what each student can do, and will be used to support teaching and learning programs. Parents will receive a report indicating their child’s level of achievement. Each student’s level of achievement will be reported against the national minimum standard.

Background information (student name, gender, date of birth, language background and Aboriginality) will be collected as part of the National Assessment Program. This information is treated confidentially and held securely to ensure that every student’s right to privacy is maintained.

The NAPLAN tests will be conducted from 13 - 15 May 2014.

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In the Numeracy tests students do not require any measuring tools such as rulers or protractors. In Years 7 and 9 there will be two Numeracy tests: one where a calculator is allowed and one where calculators are not to be used. For the calculator test, the student should use the calculator that they currently use at school.

In 2014, as in previous years, the Writing task will be a single common task for all students. The 2014 Writing test will require students to respond to either a persuasive or narrative Writing prompt. However, the genre of the prompt will not be disclosed prior to the test period.

Wherever possible, schools will organise for individual students who are absent at the time of testing to complete missed tests at another time during testing week. Individual students are not permitted to sit tests after Friday 16 May 2014.

Students may be considered for exemption from the tests if:

- they are newly arrived in Australia (less than one year before the test) and with a language background other than English, or
- they have significant intellectual disability and/or significant co-existing conditions which severely limit their capacity to participate in the tests.

All other students are expected to participate in the tests. Disability adjustments which reflect the student’s normal level of support in the classroom may be provided. Large print, Braille, coloured paper versions and electronic tests are available to meet the needs of individual students.

Access to disability adjustment or exemption from the tests must be discussed with the school Principal and a parent or carer consent form must be signed. Students may be withdrawn from NAPLAN by their parent or carer. This is a matter for consideration by parents in consultation with the Principal. If you wish to withdraw your child from the tests, a parent or carer consent form must be signed.

Please make an appointment with the Principal of the school your child attends if you would like to discuss your child’s participation in NAPLAN.

Additional information about NAPLAN can be found at www.nap.edu.au/NAPLAN/Parent_Carer_support/index.html.
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Primary News

Super Spellers
K/1
Zoe McRae, Josh Batty, Deakin Ross, Ethan Robb, Lewis Henley, Dakota Williams, Allora Vinecombe

2/3/4
Chloe Kirkup, Reuben West, Noah Bryant, Hayley Wallace, Alex Batty, Tess Henley, Ella McRae, Jack Crofts

5/6
Josh Roscarel, Lillyarna Otoric

Primary Sport
It has been another busy week of sport. Well done to our PSSA tennis and netball teams who played with fantastic sportsmanship and perseverance. Unfortunately both teams were defeated and have now finished in the 2014 PSSA Knockout. During sport, Year 3-6 have busy practising for the Netball/AFL Gala Day in West Wyalong, which will be held in Week 11. K-2 are getting fit by completing a vigorous fitness circuit each week.

What’s Happening in Mrs Payne’s Literacy Group?
This term we have been reading Aboriginal Dreamtime stories. We wrote and illustrated our own Dreamtime stories and are now publishing them on Book Creator on the iPads. We look forward to sharing them with parents and other students when they are all completed.

Reminder
Please label your child’s clothing, particularly jumpers and jackets. With the change of weather we are seeing jumpers and jackets left around classrooms.

Banana Smoothie
Ingredients
1 banana
1 tblsp plain yoghurt
1 teaspoon honey
250 ml milk

Method
1. Peel and chop the banana.
2. Add all ingredients to a blender and blend until smooth.
3. Pour into a cup and enjoy!
Our competition has extended!
Your challenge is to design a poster for Resilience. This can be made either on the computer, by hand or a combination of both. Your poster needs to show what resilience is either through words or pictures. The competition is open from K-12. **There is a mystery prize to be won.**
Entries are to be handed in to Mrs Payne by **Thursday 10th April**.
Remember you have to be in it to win it!

**P & C Change of Date**
Due to insufficient numbers, the P&C AGM meeting has had to be rescheduled. The new date is now 11th April at 1pm, which is just before the Easter Hat Parade. One of the topics to be discussed will be the proposed uniform shop/ clothing pool. Sadly, if we don’t get the attendance needed for this meeting, P&C may have to fold which then may include the closure of our school canteen. Also there would no longer be funding for contribution payments for school excursions, state rep payments or funding for things like the new air conditioners or equipment & books for our students. The meetings run for approximately 1 hour twice a term. It would be fantastic to see you all there and be involved in something that benefits our children. Hope to see you all there

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**Head Teacher Secondary Studies**
HSC half yearly’s are currently under way at UCS with them continuing across the Lachlan Access Program, (LAP) through to the end of next week. I wish all of the students the best with their exams. There are several assessment tasks due shortly for our preliminary students as well.

Mrs Ward and yr 12 Industrial Technology students are heading off to Orange this Friday for the day taking part in a regional touring expo of last year’s HSC students major works for the subject. I am sure this will be a very beneficial experience to all involved.

Year 11 students are off to Condobolin High School on Monday to take part in one of their Preliminary Standard English assessment tasks. They will have the opportunity to share in the assessment tasks of all students from across LAP undertaking Preliminary English.

Have a safe and happy weekend.

All the best,
Mr Currey

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**Assessment Tasks due**

**Term 1**

**Wk 10** Yr 11 CAFS Media Study
**Wk 11** Yr 12 Industrial Technology Industry Study
**Wk 11** Yr 9/10 D & T Hall Stand folio
**Wk 11** Yr 7/8 Tech Mandatory -Drink Tray & Jewellery Box
**Wk 11** Yr 12 English Studies task due

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**Term 2**

**Wk 2** Yr 11 General Maths Project Part 2
Laugh a Little!
What month has 27 days?
All of them!!

Thought for the Day
An investment in knowledge pays the best interest

Secondary Award winners Week 7: Louise Hunter, Emily Bussenschutt, Nell Cattle, Isabelle Archibald, David Clarke, Kayla Bradley & Jackson Benness

Primary Award winners Week 7: Harry Roscarel, Alex Batty, Barnaby Worland, Tess Henley, Jayda Brew, Deakin Ross, Allora Vinecombe, Hannah Wilson, Joshua Batty, Lachie Ward, Rachel Ridley

Whole school awards Week 8
Upcoming Events:
Wk 9 & 10 HSC ½ Yearly Exams
6th Apr  Daylight Savings ends
9th & 10th Apr State PSSA Swim Carnival
Thu 10th Apr AFL/Netball Gala Day @ West Wyalong
Fri 11th Apr Easter Hat Parade
P&C Meeting @ 1pm
Last Day Term 1

Term 2
Mon 28th Apr  Pupil Free Day
Tue 29th Apr  Students return for Term 2
  School ANZAC Service
Fri 9th May UCS Cross Country
13th, 14th 15th May NAPLAN
Wed 28th May Assembly & Book Fair
Fri 30th May LLPSSA Cross Country @ Tulli
11th, 12th, 13th Jun  Yr 11 ASPIRE excursion
Mon 16th Jun  CWA International Day
Thu 19th Jun UCS Athletics Carnival

Head Lice
Could Parents/Caregivers please check children for Head Lice as they seem to have struck again. Thank you for your co-operation

Ungarie Bowling Club
In round three of the Pennants, Ungarie lost to Ardlethen, two rinks to one. Only one point was gained- score being 75-47.

In round four, Ungarie travels to Temora Rec this Sunday, leaving the clubhouse at 11.30am
* P Smith, M Apps, J Barron & J Dale
* L Pearson, L Mawbey, M Whiley & T Bryant
* J Evans, P Turner, R Hall & J deRozario
Reserves: B Daly & K Malone

Names are on the board for Club Fours- to be played ASAP

Canteen Roster
Wk 9
Fri 28th Mar- Colleen Robb

Wk 10
Mon 31st Mar- Karen Rossiter & Emma McRae
Fri 4th Apr - Justine Henley & Nadia Worland

Happy Birthday to:
Barnaby Worland  2nd April
Ethan Robb  3rd April

Happy Hour
Thursday night 6-7pm
Friday night 7-8pm
Breakfast every Sunday morning 8am-9.30am

Jackpot draw did not go off so ..... $3,000  Friday night
(Must be there to win)
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Thank You
A big thank you, to all who generously
Sponsored us in the ‘Clear Ridge Caper’
Charity Walk.
We made the distance, sore but not sorry.
Lloyd Pearson, Jeff deRozario & Kerrie Keatley

Ungarie Deb Ball 2014
Any girls wishing to make their
debut this year, please phone or
text Julie Keatley
on 0488146422

Ungarie Can Assist
Roster for Tully Races
12pm-2pm  Jo Ward, Kathy McConnell & Pat Turner
2pm- 4pm  Joy Thompson, Carol Rattey & Sister Francis
4pm- 7pm  Lou Walsh, Rod Walsh, John Truscott & Sue Plummer

West Wyalong Junior Tennis
Mark Southwood Coaching Clinic
Monday 14th April to Thursday 17th April
$140 per player  4 days  9.30am-3pm
Tots program  5-7yrs  $75  1/2day
9.30-12.30
Sibling discounts
Canteen available for recess & lunch
Names must be in by Monday 7th April.
Enquiries & names to
Sandy Jewell 69 722806   Julia Sutcliffe 69 721978

Bland Hoteliers Jackpot Draw
Tuesday night Draw is at $1500 this week.
You must be there to win; entry is free so speak to one
of our bar staff today to enter.

Tuesday night raffles are for CWA.

Opening Hours Changed
Opening hours are back to normal.

Congratulations
The Central Hotel would like to congratulate the
Ungarie Over 35’s cricket team on winning the grand
final last Sunday against the Tatts Hotel. Ungarie has
not won the comp since 2004 so it was great to see
the boys get up!!

First Aid Course
You know kids will be kids – they can pull boiling
fluids over themselves, drink poisons, cut
themselves on old tins, walk through hot coals, get
bitten by snakes/spiders/dogs, fall out of trees,
touch/cut live wires, fall into water.
Would you know what to do????
A First Aid Course over 2 evenings (instead of 1 full
day) will be held in Ungarie
To be held at Ungarie CWA rooms, trainer Donna
Slade.
Cost reduced from $170 to $70 if criteria met of
looking after young children.
TAFE certification valid for 3 years post course
completion.

Please call Wendy Keatley on 69 759 029 & leave
your phone number.
Or if you could send an email to
wendy.keatley@mmll.org.au, I will send
registration details back to you
UNGARIE MAGPIES FOOTBALL & NETBALL NEWS

Football

Ungarie Magpies Football/Netball News
Preseason Football training has commenced and will run every Wednesday night at 6:30pm. All interested players are welcome to attend.

Junior Training
Training for the under 11’s and under 13’s continues this coming Wednesday running from 5pm-6pm. Please contact Mal Williams 0403519727 for more info.

The showground is missing most of the yellow garbage bins that were there. If anyone has any info regarding the location of these bins please contact Karen on 0488130590.

Netball

Training
NET SET GO Monday 3-4pm
UNDER 10s Wednesday 4.30-5.30pm
UNDER 13s & 16s Wednesday 4.30-5.30pm
SENIORS Thursday 6pm

Jackie will be running Sunday fitness sessions @ 3pm at the courts. All netballers, footballers and anyone wanting to get fit are welcome to attend.

(Noteball Scorer/Timekeeper Roster attached)

Unveiling Ceremony
Official unveiling ceremony of the memorial plaques for Pam de Rozario and Margaret Lane will be happening on Saturday 29th March at 6pm. A BBQ will be held in Bing Wallder Park to celebrate, all welcome and encouraged to attend this special service.

Meeting Notice
Tullibigeal District Council & Ungarie Branch
Invite all to attend a
Dinner & Annual General Meeting

DATE: Monday 31 March, 2014
VENUE: Central Hotel, Ungarie
TIME: 6pm

Please join us for dinner, provided by
Tullibigeal DC & Ungarie Branch MEMBERS, NON-MEMBERS & PARTNERS WARMLY WELCOMED

GUEST SPEAKERS

- John Small, Central West Farming Systems
- Dan Cooper, NSW Farmers Grains Chair & Executive Councillor
- Mark Hoskinson, NSW Farmers Grains Committee & Executive Councillor
- Alix McFarland, NSW Farmers Regional Services Manager
- Motions & delegates for Annual Conference

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