**F1 IN SCHOOLS with Mrs Ward**

It was an early start to the regional finals last Wednesday with the first group of students being picked up at 4.00am before leaving UCS at 4.30am. We arrived in Condobolin at 5.30am where we met up with the teams from Lake Cargelligo, Tullibigeal and Condobolin. We all then travelled the distance to Dubbo arriving at around 8.00am. After a quick stop at McDonalds we made our way to Dubbo College, Senior Campus to set up our pit displays and get the day started.

There were 10 teams in total competing on the day in four different categories: cadet, development, pro-junior and pro-senior. The teams from Ungarie were competing in the development and pro-junior categories. Throughout the day each team was judged on their engineering, pit display and folio, verbal and time trials, and the cars were scrutineered by the judges.

The fastest car on the day was from the Condobolin pro-senior team travelling the 20m track in 1.1 second. From UCS Atomic drag went 1.3 seconds, Split second 1.4 seconds and The Mist 1.6 seconds. Although none of our teams came away as overall champions we all still had a fantastic day, arriving home at 9.30pm.

The boys made themselves and the school very proud with the way they behaved and conducted themselves. Congratulations to the Atomic Drag team who received a Wild Card entry to compete in the State finals in November!
CONGRATULATIONS, MITCH!
A big congratulations to Mitch Thompson on completing his Industrial Technology: Timber major project. Mitch has been very busy over the past three terms working on his table and bench seats (below), and should be commended on his efforts. We all wish him the best of luck for the project marking next Tuesday.
Right: Mitch and the 9/10 boys try out his table and seats!

5/6 SCIENCE with Mrs Jackson
On Thursday, 5/6 Science were given a set of instructions, some materials and the task of making a diamond kite. It was a test of concentration and problem-solving ability, but everyone managed to produce a kite. A few people were able to get their kites to the point of being able to fly them by the end of the lesson, and by all accounts, the first flights were fairly successful – the electrical tape we used wasn’t the best of quality, so time will tell how many flights the kites will survive!
Above: Jai Thompson and Angus Williams work on their kites., Below: Ryan Crofts and Kadee Gerhard-Scali
HOT SHOTS TENNIS SHIRTS ARRIVE!
Pictured above are students wearing their Hot Shots tennis t-shirts which arrived and were handed out on Monday. Last Term Mr Cattle took a different group of students each week to play tennis during Primary Sport. If parents signed up as part of the National Hotshots Tennis Program, students got a free t-shirt (above) and UCS received $2 for each sign-up to go towards sports equipment. This bonus comes on top of the many tennis racquets, nets and balls that the school received to take part in the program!

Below: More Soccerpole action from last week with Mrs Payne, Josh Roscarel and Mrs James!
PRAC TEACHER FOR K/1!
Miss Emma Barber has been working at UCS as a teacher’s aid/SLSO. She is also completing a Bachelor of Education (Primary) through UNE Armidale and has commenced her professional experience placement with K/1 this week. Emma is thoroughly enjoying being in the K/1 classroom. This week Emma and the Kindergarten Maths group (bottom picture) have been learning about 3D shapes. They have been busy constructing cubes, cones and cylinders.

Whilst Emma is doing her prac, we have Bridget Langham filling in her role, working around the Primary classes for the next four weeks!

Top : Emma with Lachie Ward and Madison Vinecombe
Above : Emma with Rachel Ridley and Dylan Carroll
Left : Bridget with Ryan Wallace