

Newsletter

Upper Orara Public School community acknowledge the traditional custodians of the Gumbaynggirr land on which we stand and pay our respect to the elders past, present and emerging.

23 June 2025

Upper Orara Public School

Term 2 Week 9

From the Principal's desk!

Giinagay ngujawiny (Hello everyone),

As we approach the end of Term 2, I would like to remind you that there are just two weeks left until the term concludes. All students will return for Term 3 on **July 22**. I wish everyone a safe and happy holiday break!

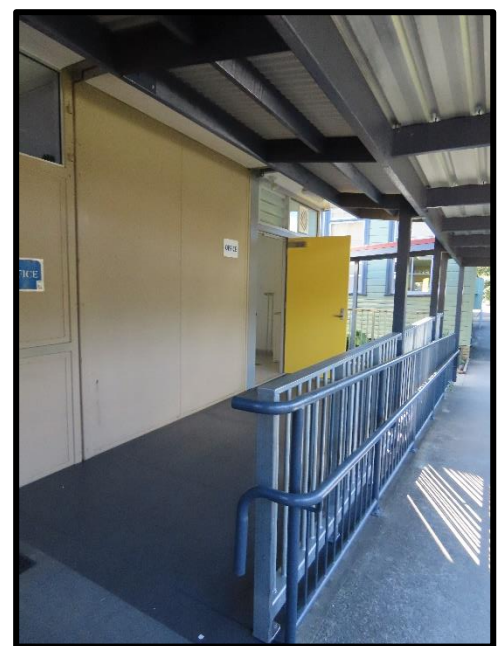
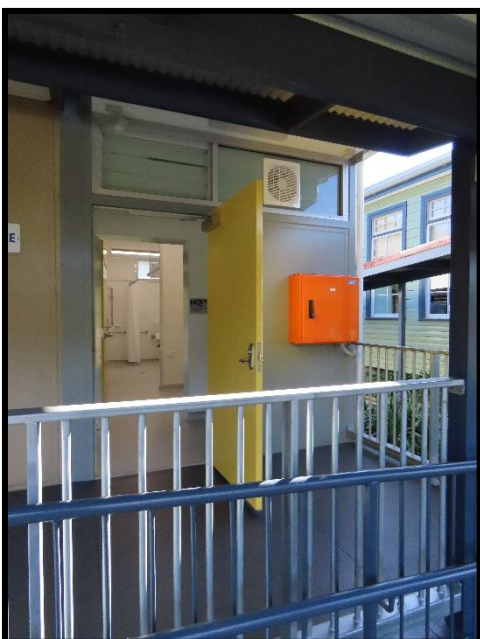
I would also like to extend my best wishes to all competitors participating in the OVSS Athletics Carnival tomorrow—good luck to you all!

Please remember that school photos will be taken this Wednesday. We kindly ask that all students wear their school uniform for the occasion.

I would like to invite all our families to join staff and student at the school on Thursday, April 3, for our End of Term Assembly, which will feature performances by our students. The assembly will commence at 9:10 am, and we would love to see you there.

Joanne Goodenough

New Disabled Bathroom



ATTENDANCE

As at the end of last week, the following students have 100% attendance for the entire year. Congratulations to Eli, Isobel, Eddi, Hadleigh, Lilly, and Eva. In addition, the following students have 100% attendance for term 2. Congratulations Peyton, Frankie H, Georgie, Ashton, Jett, and Grace.

As we move more heavily into winter, we will notice more students are absent due to illness. I would like to remind parents or carers that it is a requirement outlined in the School Attendance policy that parents or carers are required to promptly explain the absences of their children from school. An explanation for absence must be provided to the school within 7 calendar days of the first day of any period of absence. This can easily be accomplished by clicking on the link provided in the SMS you receive when your child is absent from school. Other options include telephoning or emailing the school or providing a written note. Please note that it is part of the school's procedures for a staff member to contact families on the third day of a student's absence. This is a courtesy call and a part of how we care for our students.

POSITIVE BEHAVIOUR LEARNING

This fortnight for PBL we will be focusing on:

Week 9 – Place rubbish in bin.

Week 10 – Use your manners when speaking to others.

Students of the Week

Term 2 Week 8



Students of the Week

Term 2 Week 9



3-6 CLASSROOM

News

In school athletics

We are excited to share the highlights of our recent athletics day, where Upper Orara Public School joined forces with Lowana Public School for an unforgettable day of competition, camaraderie, and fun! The sun was shining, and the atmosphere was filled with enthusiasm as students showcased their athletic talents in shot put, discus, and long jump events.

As we reflect on this wonderful day, we are reminded of the importance of physical activity and the joy of participating in sports together. We look forward to more events like this in the future, where our students can continue to grow, learn, and build lasting friendships.

Let's keep the spirit of athletics alive as we compete in the Orara Valley Small Schools Athletics next Tuesday.

LONGJUMP

Photos



SHOTPUT

Photos



DISCUSS

Photos





K-2 Classroom News

K-2 has been enjoying their unit on measurement. Stage 1 have been learning how to measure using a metre ruler and Kindergarten used their steps as an informal unit.

Last week the class explored the mass of objects. Mrs Clark set up the pan balances and the students had great fun finding objects in the rooms to balance each side.

Mrs Clark and her K-2 Blossoms



LUNCHBOX IDEAS



Cucumber Sushi

Ingredients

- 1/2 cup sushi rice, rinsed
- 2 Lebanese cucumbers
- 1/2 red capsicum, thinly sliced into strips
- 1/2 avocado, thinly sliced into strips
- 1 tbs soy sauce, to serve

Method

1

Cook the rice according to the packet instructions. Let it cool.

2

Cut each cucumber in half crossways and use an apple corer to hollow out the centres. You may need to dry out the cavity, so that the rice will stick better. To do this, wrap a chopstick with a paper towel and use it to dab the cavity dry.

3

Stuff about two teaspoons of cooked rice into the cavity, then use a chopstick or butter knife to press the rice to the side, to make way for the other veggies. Add a few slices of both capsicum and avocado until the cavity until it is fully stuffed.

4

Cut cucumber sushi into slices and serve with soy sauce.



FUNDRAISING FOR 3-6 LAKE AINSWORTH CAMP

UPPER ORARA SCHOOL IS ORGANISING A FUNDRAISING EFFORT TO ASSIST STUDENTS IN YEARS 3 TO 6 WITH THE COSTS OF THEIR EXCURSION TO LAKE AINSWORTH IN TERM 4. THEY HAVE INITIATED A MONSTER RAFFLE, FOR WHICH TICKETS HAVE BEEN SENT HOME. THE TOTAL PRIZES AMOUNT TO OVER \$2500. THE SCHOOL EXPRESSES GRATITUDE TO LOCAL BUSINESSES BELOW, FOR THEIR GENEROUS DONATIONS TO SUPPORT THIS FUNDRAISER. WE ARE ALSO COLLECTING 100 RECYCLABLE CONTAINERS FOR THE RETURN AND EARN PROGRAM, PLEASE SEND THESE IN TO THE SCHOOL. ALL MONEY RAISED WILL BE DIVIDED AMONG THE STUDENTS ATTENDING THE EXCURSION.

UPPER ORARA PUBLIC SCHOOL

MONSTER RAFFLE

Tickets \$5 each or 5 for \$20

DRAWN OCTOBER 22, 2025

OVER \$2500 IN PRIZES

ALL MONEY RAISED WILL GO TOWARDS THE YEAR 3-6 EXCURSION



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Term 2 2025 Calendar

Week 1	28	29	30	1	2
April/May					
Week 2	5	6	7	8	9
				CHD Cross Country	
Week 3	12	13	14	15	16
Week 4	19	20	21	22	23
			Simultaneous story time		
Week 5	26	27	28	29	30
	Life Education Visit		OHS Yr 6 Taster Session		
Week 6	2	3	4	5	6
June					
Week 7	9	10	11	12	13
	King's Birthday				
Week 8	16	17	18	19	20
		Multicultural Public Speaking			
Week 9	23	24	25	26	27
		OVPSSA Athletics Carnival	School Photos		
Week 10	30	1	2	3	4
July				End of Term Assembly	Last Day Term 2
	Holidays		Holidays		

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