Hi everyone and CONGRATULATIONS TO US!

What a fantastic VIP day we had at school!

Our little school successfully hosted 19 Principals and Preschool Directors from our area and also having 10 representatives from the SA Government Senior Management Council all here on the one day. Every single person left with words of praise and admiration for the school and the community. It was a very proud moment for us all!

Credit goes to every single member of our school and community. When you walk into a school the “feel of the school” is instant. It doesn’t matter what is on show or what is offered—people can feel how the school and community work together and that was definitely highlighted by Tony Harrison, Chief Executive of Department for Education and Child Development. At the end of lunch Mr Harrison thanked everyone for their hard work in all the schools on Central Eyre and stated that he tries to visit 2 schools each week and out of close to 100 schools visited in the last 12 months he has never felt the strength of school & community working together as he had during his visit to Ungarra. Tony has since spoken at 2 other forums, one being the meeting of 1000 SA school Principals last Friday in Adelaide and on both occasions he has mentioned Ungarra Primary School and the impression it made on him during his visit.

Left: Some of our Playcentre mums held a committee meeting
Above right: Overseeing Mitchell and Ethan’s Kebab cooking was:

Wayne Hunter—Manager, business Improvement and Customer Relations, Department of the Premier and Cabinet; Paul Heithersay Deputy Chief Executive, Department of State Development, Kym Winter-Dewhirst—Chief Executive, Department of the Premier and Cabinet, Erma Ranieri—Commissioner for Public Sector Employment, Office for the Public Sector, Joslene Mazel—Chief Executive, Department for Communities and Social Inclusion, Jenny Richter—Deputy Chief Executive, Department for Health and Ageing, Ben Pugsley—Ungarra PS Governing Council Chairman, Kathy Davison—Principal of Ungarra PS, David Brown—Chief Executive, Department for Correctional Services, Tony Harrison—Chief Executive for the Department for Education and Child Development, Rowena Fox—Education Director for Department for Education and Child Development.

A massive thank you to Jason Bates for making us an awesome grilling rack for the fire—Mitchell said it worked really well!
Outstanding listening and participating during Maths. Well done!

RILEY PUGSLEY
KEIRA BERRYMAN
ETHAN PUGSLEY & WILL FRANKLIN

Consistent role model behaviour. Well done Riley.

For trying her best and always being polite and respectful.

For being helpful and fixing Mr Rowley’s computer. It saved the day!

Check out our letter from Tony Harrison after his visit last week.

Kathy Davidson
Principal
Unipoint Primary School
Jerilderie Terrace
UN029555 SA 5607

Dear Kathy,

I just wanted to take the opportunity to personally thank you for your participation and support of the recent visit of the District Management Council (DMC) to the Eyre Peninsula.

This visit provided an opportunity for us to showcase the strong community partnerships that have been developed and the great work that our regional sites are providing for children and young people.

Thank you for making us feel welcome and for introducing SMC members, including myself, to your students and colleagues.

Please pass on my personal thanks to everyone that contributed to making this visit such a success.

Yours sincerely,

Tony Harrison
Chief Executive

Congratulations Dylan

Rynne for taking part in the Small schools leadership camp at North Shields.
At Ungarra we truly appreciate the way our families and community members enrich our school. We have decided to try and find out even more about your skills and talents in our new Community Spotlight section of the newsletter.

Where were you born?
Waipukurau New Zealand

What was your favourite game as a child?
Knuckle Bones

Who is someone you admire?
Noel Pearson

Where is your favourite place to go?
New Zealand

If you were stranded on a desert island, apart from family, what 2 things would you take?
A stack of fresh, juicy, sweet pineapples and my bible

Favourite book as a child?
The Adventures of TinTin

What are 2 things you are good at?
Fixing things and woodwork

What’s 1 thing you would like to improve at?
Growing tomatoes

What do you believe school does for our community?
Apart from giving children skills and knowledge for life, it provides an excellent centre for the community to come together both socially and educationally.

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**FATHER’S DAY THIS SUNDAY!**

Come into the office and check out the very affordable array of gifts on offer for day this Sunday. Prices range from 50c to $4 and there are mouse pads, photo frames, socks, drink bottles, pens, journals and more.

**FOOD FOR THOUGHT**

**An easy but healthy recipe**

**MRS FOSTER’S NUT FREE ENERGY BALLS**

- 1 3/4 cups sunflower seeds
- 2 level teaspoons chia seeds
- 1 cup of chopped dates
- 1 cup of chopped dried apricots
- 4 heaped tablespoons of desiccated coconut
- 2 heaped tablespoons of cacao powder
- 2 level tablespoons of coconut oil
- 2 level tablespoons of honey
- 2 teaspoons of vanilla

Cover dates (and apricots if hard) with boiling water and let sit for 5 minutes. Drain well. Pulse all ingredients in a food processor and then roll into balls and coat with extra coconut. Refrigerate or freeze.
Why is Numeracy Important?

Mathematical thinking and numeracy is present in all areas of our lives and is essential to developing a deeper understanding of the world around us. Numeracy helps us to make choices, solve problems, understand patterns and respond to day-to-day challenges.

Families make a difference

The everyday activities that you do at home can help with numeracy development. It happens in the conversations that you have, the games you play and the things that you give your children.

When you:

- Have a positive attitude towards maths and numeracy, your child is more likely to also have one
- Model mathematical thinking and problem solving, your child will be encouraged to take risks, create new solutions and problem solve.  
  
**BOOK WEEK/BLOKE’S DAY & OPEN AFTERNOON**

Because of our crazily busy term, we will be holding a belated Book Week Parade and Bring a Bloke morning on:

**THURSDAY 10TH OF SEPTEMBER**

Starting at 9am there will be some fun activities 9.30 am will be a Book Week Parade (the theme this year is Books Light Up Our World so get your kids to come dressed as their favourite book character) This will be followed by scones and a cuppa at 10 am. And then…..

**OPEN AFTERNOON & SHOWCASE OF CHILDREN’S WORK**

**Wednesday 16th of September commencing with nibbles and a cuppa at 3.45 pm** Please RSVP to these events.
Last week Playcentre visited Uringa Hostel, the Bakery and the Kindergarten in Tumby Bay.

We had a fantastic excursion and we were very lucky to spend time with the residents at Uringa. We should do it more often.

This week we had a super fun visit from Policeman Todd from Tumby Bay. The number one question for him was “Do you catch robbers?” and “Is that your favourite part about being a policeman?” Poor Todd, bombarded with so many questions and so many kids. There were 27 pre-schoolers there plus the school kids!!!

**LAMINATED POEMS AND CANVAS PAINTINGS**

**AVAILABLE FOR COLLECTION NOW IN THE FRONT OFFICE.**

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**ALL TOY ORDERS ARE DUE BACK BY WEEK 9 (14TH SEPTEMBER). PLEASE MAKE SURE YOU MARK UNGARRA PLAYCENTRE ON YOUR FORM AND REMEMBER THAT 20% OF ALL TOYS SOLD GO TO THE PLAYCENTRE.**

**IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO ORDER A PROFESSIONAL 2015 PLACENTRE PHOTO THEY ARE $25 AND ORDERS NEED TO BE BACK NEXT MONDAY.**

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**NEXT WEEK**

**THERE HAS BEEN A CHANGE OF PLANS AND NEXT WEEK WILL BE OUR BEAUTICIAN’S DAY.**

In the interest of personal hygiene and safety, please bring along the following so your child/ren can join in the fun:

- Your child’s own brush
- Personal clips and hair ties etc.
- Styling gel etc

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Laura

Trish H

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COMMUNITY NOTICES

A BIG THANK YOU TO HUNTER'S MUM TRISH FOR HELPING IN KITCHEN LESSONS LAST WEEK.

There is one or two student spots left on the Educational Chinese Exchange trip to China in November. Please phone Anne Gammeau 0428 519 286 if you might be interested.

Earn and Learn finishes on Sept 8th. Stickers can be dropped at either the school or Woolworths itself.

...AND LASTLY...

ROSE MUSIC CONCERT
18th October Church of Christ Hall
2.30 pm. Bring a plate

TENNIS MEETING
Ungarra Tennis Club meeting tonight at 7.30 pm in the school’s kitchen. Contact Jason Bates on 0427 380 013 if you are interested in playing this season.

KIDS CLUB
WED. 9TH SEPTEMBER

THE un/GARRABALDY PHOTOGRAPHIC COMPETITION IS ON AGAIN IN 2015
20th September in the Ungarra Hall

- ADULT 1st prize of $500
- INTERMEDIATE 12-17 yrs of $100
- UNDER 12’s photographs 2 x $25
- UNDER 12’s ANY MEDIUM 2 x $25

Entry forms available at the school or contact Lynne Snodgrass on 86888107 or Viv Rusden 86767068