



# UPWEY HIGH NEWS

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## PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

**Parent-student-teacher evenings:** Thanks to families for their assistance in implementing our new arrangements. We will be canvassing feedback from parents, students and staff in the next few weeks.

**DAYMAP and Internet explorer:** Some families have reported difficulties when trying to access DAYMAP using internet explorer. Some web sites apparently change some of your browser settings, resulting in a conflict. Our technicians have not yet been able to identify exactly which setting is an issue. However, there does seem to be a solution; use Mozilla Firefox as a browser. This is free software, just google firefox and download.

**Community Expectations - A reminder:** A community cannot operate effectively without a set of commonly held and understood expectations. These are ours:

1. Mutual respect
  - actively listening to others
  - being courteous and acting appropriately
  - Supporting the learning of others
2. Be prepared for learning
3. No put downs
4. Follow *reasonable instructions* from teachers
5. Care for school property and the grounds.

In particular:

<b>Fighting and Bullying</b> are not tolerated under any circumstances.
<b>Offensive Language</b> (eg use of vulgar, sexist or racist language in non-threatening contexts) is not tolerated within our school community.
<b>Late arrivals to school:</b> Students who arrive late to school ( <i>at any time during the day</i> ) should obtain a Late Pass before joining their class. Late passes are obtained from the General Office (years 7-9) or the Senior School Office (years 10-12).
<b>Absenteeism</b> from school must be supported by the written permission of a guardian or parent.
<b>Uniform</b> is expected to be worn by students. Those out of uniform should have a uniform pass.
<b>Shoes:</b> The only acceptable footwear is plain, black, sturdy shoes. The shoes must be lace ups (black laces only) or T-Bars. Shoes must have a solid heel and sole (ie not ballet type shoes). For health and safety reasons students are NOT permitted to wear thongs, sandals or open-toed shoes to school.
<b>Jewellery:</b> Students with piercings will be permitted to wear small plain or clear sleepers or studs, with consideration to student safety. Apart from watches, no visible jewellery is permitted including rings, necklaces and bracelets, with the exception of Council approved fundraising items. Makeup and coloured nail polish must not be worn to school.
<b>Lockers:</b> No student is permitted at their lockers during class time or between classes. Disruption to classes and interference with personal property occurs when students are allowed at lockers at these times. Lockers may only be used before school, at the beginning and end of recess, lunch times and at the end of the day.
<b>Corridors</b> are to be moved through quietly and briskly. Students must not run, push, dawdle or waste time. People should keep to the left where possible. Staff should be alert to the dangers of silly, irresponsible behaviour of students in the school buildings.
<b>Areas Out of Bounds to Students</b> include all car parks and gardens, Upwey Primary School grounds and oval, Upwey Football oval and Chosen Avenue. <b>Students are not to leave the school site during the day without an early leaver's pass.</b> There are no 'pass-outs'!
<b>Lateness to class:</b> Students are expected to be at class by the bell.
<b>Classrooms</b> are not to be entered by students without the permission and supervision of a teacher. Certain rooms are designated wet-weather rooms and are supervised by duty teachers.
<b>Littering:</b> Students should take pride in their school environment.
<b>School Bags:</b> Students are not permitted to take bags to class or carry them around the school at recess or lunchtime.
<b>Smoking:</b> Students are forbidden to either smoke or carry cigarettes, matches, lighters etc. both at school and while travelling between home and school, or <b>to be in the company of smokers.</b>
<b>Phones and electronic devices:</b> Teachers have the right to decide whether any electronic devices (CD player, iPods, mobile phones etc) are to be used in their learning space.

There are automatic consequences for some actions:

**Community Service** - 1pm at lunchtimes  
**Saturday Morning Detentions**

**Subschool Detentions** - Thursday after school

## CAREER NEWS

### REMINDERS ... COMING SOON

- Medicine At Deakin – 5 & 6 May (see item below)
- 'At Monash' Seminars: 5 May: Education, Sport & Outdoor Rec.; 7 May: Physiotherapy, Occupational Therapy & Health Sciences; 12 May: Pharmacy & Pharmaceutical Sciences; 13 May: Architecture; 18 May: Psychology; 19 May: Drama & Theatre Studies; 20 May: Business & Economics; 21 May: Engineering; Contact 9903 4758 or [valerie.foster@adm.monash.edu.au](mailto:valerie.foster@adm.monash.edu.au) [www.monash.edu.au/study/events](http://www.monash.edu.au/study/events) for details/booking and other seminars in the series.
- Engineering Careers Expo: 1-7pm, Wednesday 29 April; Melbourne Town Hall (cnr Swanston & Collins St). Cost: Free. Hear about opportunities in engineering. Register at [www.engcareerexpo.org.au](http://www.engcareerexpo.org.au); Inquire: 9321 1726.
- Geomatics Expo - 5.30-7.30pm, Wednesday 29 April; Melbourne Uni. (see 5 below)
- ADF Gap Year applications open 1 May
- Sports Medicine seminars - 22 May and 24 May (see 4 below)
- 'Focus on Melbourne' series - commencing 12 May (see 8 below)
- Undergraduate Medicine and Health Sciences Admission Test: Register by 5 June; Test: 29 July.

**Year 10 Work Experience, 15 June - 26 June** Our 15 May deadline for completed paperwork is rapidly approaching. It is very important that all of our Year 10 students are finalising their arrangements for their placements. Remember that all students must complete the work experience arrangement form and the OH&S tests before they can attend a work placement. Assistance is available in the Careers Room between 8:00 and 4:30 every day of the week, except Thursday and Friday when the hours are 8:30-4:00. If you are experiencing problems obtaining work, please contact us asap. Remember, all students are expected to participate in this valuable program.

**Discover the World of Nursing** Meet with Australia's leading nursing organisations at Royal College of Nursing, Australia's Nursing and Health Expo and find out where a career in nursing can take you. When: Sunday, 17 May; Where: Royal Exhibition Building, Carlton, 10 am to 3 pm. For further information contact [expo@rcna.org.au](mailto:expo@rcna.org.au) or call 1800 061 660 or visit the website [www.rcna.org.au](http://www.rcna.org.au).

**Victoria College of the Arts Secondary School** Auditions for entry in 2010 are approaching soon. There is a school information morning on Wednesday, 13 May from 9am to 11 am. Applications for dance auditions close 27 July and for music on 17 August. Tours of the new Southbank facility will be held on Wednesday, 29 July and Wednesday, 5 August at 9:00 am. For detailed information and audition forms go to [www.vcass.vic.edu.au](http://www.vcass.vic.edu.au).

**Australian Catholic University Early Achievers' Program** This program takes into account prospective students' contributions to their communities as well as their marks. Students need to possess the ability and enthusiasm to succeed- something not always reflected by the ENTER alone. For a place in your chosen course, other forms of learning are considered such as formal and informal learning and community involvement. Successful applicants receive an offer in the course of their choice ahead of normal first round offers. For more information contact [futurestudents@acu.edu.au](mailto:futurestudents@acu.edu.au), or call 1300 275 228 or visit the website at [www.acu.edu.au/earlyachievers](http://www.acu.edu.au/earlyachievers).

**Medicine at Deakin** Deakin University's Faculty of Health, Medicine, Nursing & Behavioural Sciences is holding medicine

info. evenings for students wishing to find out about entry to their four-year, graduate-entry Bachelor of Medicine/Bachelor of Surgery. When/Where: 6.00pm, Tues 5 May, Wed 6 May at Melbourne campus (Burwood), lecture Theatre 13, Building HD; Info: [www.deakin.edu.au/hmnbs](http://www.deakin.edu.au/hmnbs), [hmnbs-support@deakin.au](mailto:hmnbs-support@deakin.au); ph 9251 7777.

**Interested in Media Communication?** Australian Catholic Uni (ACU) is offering a Bachelor of Media Communication in 2010. Students will qualify with skills in media including video, radio and print, and areas like drama, music, literature and visual arts. You will be ethically informed in all aspects of practice and provide communication that is socially aware and considerate of a culturally diverse audience. Students will have workplace training through an internship as well as completion of a volunteer work experience unit (NOTE: ACU had a 28% growth in enrolments this year).

**Interested in Graphics?** The PacPrint National Graphics Exhibition is coming up soon. It will be a five-day exchange of printing technology and graphic intelligence. When: 10am-6pm, 16-30 May; Where: Melbourne Convention and Exhibition Centre; Cost: Free; Info: [www.pacprint.com.au](http://www.pacprint.com.au).

**Careers in Sports Medicine** Two seminars coming up:

- Olympic Park Sports Medicine Centre - sports physician, physiotherapy, soft tissue therapy, dietetics, podiatry, psychology. When: Reg'n 6.45-7.15pm, program 7.30pm, Fri 22 May; Where: Lexus Centre, Cnr Batman Ave & Swan St, Melb; Cost: \$25 per student; Reg'n: careers rm or call Emma, ph 9415 8399, [ethorncroft@opsmc.com.au](mailto:ethorncroft@opsmc.com.au).
- Sports Medicine Aust. - podiatry, exercise science, physiotherapy, medicine, psychology, dietetics, osteopathy. When: 9.15am-12.40pm, Sun 24 May; Where: Melbourne Sports & Aquatic Centre, Champions Room, Albert Park; Cost: \$35 per student, \$25 per parent; Book: careers room or call Bree York on 9674 8707, [bree@vic.sma.org.au](mailto:bree@vic.sma.org.au)

**Careers in Law Expo** (presented by Law Institute and RMIT) - For those interested in a career in the law, and finding out about types of legal practice, career paths, traineeship/practical training. When: Wed 13 May (4.30-5.45pm: obtain personal advice and resource materials; 5.45-7.45pm: seminar program featuring guest speakers - solicitors, law clerks, legal assistants, young lawyers); Where: RMIT Storey Hall, 342 Swanston St, Melb.; Cost: Free; Book: Leanne Newson, 9607 9468, [lnewson@liv.asn.au](mailto:lnewson@liv.asn.au) (give name, phone, number coming and postcode). Info: [www.liv.asn.au/events/lawweek](http://www.liv.asn.au/events/lawweek).

**Find Out About Melbourne University** 'Focus on Melbourne' is an evening seminar series for Yr 10-12 students/families. Get information about courses, hear about the Melbourne Experience, career prospects and ways to get involved with the university community. Evenings to be held, all 6.30-8pm: Law (12 May); Commerce (27 May); Engineering (4 June); Arts (9 June), Music, Visual & Performing Arts (10 June); Science (23 June); Biomedicine (22 July); Environments (29 July). Info: 8344 6543; Registration (essential): [www.futurestudents.unimelb.edu.au/focusonmelbourne](http://www.futurestudents.unimelb.edu.au/focusonmelbourne)

**What About a Maritime Careers** The Australian Maritime College in Tasmania offers an exciting range of courses in areas like aquatic biology, ship design, exporting/importing, fisheries biology, logistics, maritime law, marine and coastal conservation, meteorology, ocean engineering, ports and terminals management and wave mechanics. World-class facilities and on-site accommodation available. See: [www.amc.edu.au](http://www.amc.edu.au), 1800 030 277 (free in Aust), [amcinfo@amc.edu.au](mailto:amcinfo@amc.edu.au)

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**What is Geomatics?** To find out, go to the Geomatics Industry Careers night. Melbourne Uni Geomatics students are holding a trade expo to inform you about geomatics, to meet employers, find out where you can work after graduating (surveying, GIS, GPS, remote sensing). When: 5.30-7.30pm, Wed 29 April; Where: Grand Buffet Hall, Union House, University of Melbourne - Cost: Free - Info: mboelen@ugrad.unimelb.edu.au.

**Music at the University of Melbourne** The Melbourne Faculty of Music and the Faculty of the VCA have joined to be a new Faculty in The University of Melbourne, the Faculty of the VCA and Music. Next year there will be intakes into the Bachelor of Music degree at the School of Music (Parkville) and the Bachelor of Music Performance at the School of Music (Southbank). It is proposed that the music programs of the Faculty of the VCA and Music will join by 2011 to offer a single B. Music at the Uni. of Melbourne, incorporating current specialisations in the BMusPerf and BMus. The Dip. Music (Practical) will still run for those wishing to pursue practical music studies concurrently with another degree – B. Arts, Science, Commerce, Environments and Biomedicine. See [www.vca.unimelb.edu.au/music/](http://www.vca.unimelb.edu.au/music/) and [www.bmus.unimelb.edu.au](http://www.bmus.unimelb.edu.au).

**Michael Hilt**

**Careers Coordinator**

*(All information included in Career News is taken from information received in the Careers Room from universities, TAFE institutes, employer groups, Careers in-service activities, and a Careers newsletter prepared by Martin Walker. All effort is made to ensure the accuracy of this information.)*

## ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL NEWS

### Photos

All photos - ID and Group shots have now been distributed. The ID cards should include Bus number and early leavers pass for some senior students. If there are issues with the photos please contact National School Photography on 9428 9420 or email me on [sheehy.michael.d@edumail.vic.gov.au](mailto:sheehy.michael.d@edumail.vic.gov.au). Reissuing lost ID cards will be replaced at a cost of \$5 to the student.

The photographers have let me know that there are a number of people who ordered photos but did not put expiry dates on the orders. Any new student who does not have an ID photo please drop into the library and get a photo taken and I will process the ID card.

**Mick Sheehy**

**Assistant Principal**

## CLASS OF 2008 REUNION

Even though they only finished up 5 months ago, Mike Hilt and I decided to hold a reunion for last year's Year 12 group. We combined it with the World Premiere of "Class of 2008 - The Movie" which ex student Dylan Sloane made of the group's last days and Graduation. We expected about 30 to 40 to turn up but we got 93!!!!!!

We showed the movie, which they loved, and gave out copies of the DVD to those who had ordered it (and sold a lot more). We also presented their VCE certificates and Lyrics and found out what they are doing this year. We had two apologies from Europe and two from Queensland.

It was great to see them all again, and they enjoyed being back at their old school. Their next reunion is in 2018!!!

**Grant Nichol**

**Year 12 Coordinator**

## NAPLAN - NATIONAL LITERACY AND NUMERACY TESTING

National testing in both these areas will take place on 12-14 May for all students in Years 7 and 9. This is the 2009 session of the tests regularly conducted at Years 3, 5, 7 & 9. Every student is expected to complete these tests over the three mornings.

**Please do not make any appointments to conflict with these dates and please make every attempt for your child to be present and on time. Such testing is crucial in the monitoring of every child's progress.** The results are used widely to assist in assessing student capabilities and to help plan the best educational pathways.

**One key requirement is for every student to have a calculator for use in one of the Maths tests.** All students should already have one from the booklist but every student will need to find a basic calculator before 12 May. Please attend to this quickly to avoid disadvantaging your child at the tests. No borrowing of calculators will be permitted during the test.

**Val Doyle - Assistant Principal**

## PARENTS OF YEAR 10 STUDENTS

**Keys Please Learner Driver Information Evening**

**Wednesday 27 May**

**7:30 pm in the Presentation Space.**

Your child should have brought an envelope home with an invitation to the evening last week. If not they can pick up an invitation at the Senior School Office. A valuable night for parents and students in regard to information about logging hours of Learner driver experience and the safe driving message.

Also in the envelope was a Tax File Number Application Form, an easy and hassle free way to get the Tax File Number for your child. Just complete form and return to the school and I'll do the rest. Many thanks.

**Chris Hatfield**

**Year 10 Coordinator**

## PAYMENTS MADE TO THE SCHOOL

Student payment times:

**Before school: 8.15am - 8.35am**

**Recess: 10.30am - 10.45am**

**& at lunch time/s.**

Students - these times must be strictly adhered to.  
Parents - may pay at any time during office hours.



## YEAR 9 NEWS

### Aboriginal for a Day.

Year 9 students participated in the 'Aboriginal for a Day' program last Friday. The students listened to Aboriginal Dreamtime stories, painted Aboriginal symbols and learnt what they meant and even did some Aboriginal dancing. It was a fabulous day and the feedback from the students was very positive. Some of the students' reflections were very heartfelt and moving.



In turn it was delightful hearing the lovely compliments about our students from Tristan, Alan and Asland (our Aboriginal guests).

### Night of the Notables.

The Year 9 students will be participating in the Night of the Notables. This will be held on 15 and 16 June. More information will be sent home shortly.

### Uniform.

As the weather is getting colder we understand the students are wearing jackets and hooded jumpers to keep warm. However, we do ask students to continue to wear the correct school uniform. Long-sleeve blue tops can be worn under logo shirts with school jumpers and/or jackets. A note is required if students do not have the correct uniform. Thank you.

**Pauline Cherry**

**Yr 9 Coordinator**

**Bonnie Zuidland**

**Yr 9 Curriculum Coordinator**

## ANAPHYLAXIS ALERTS

All students flagged with life threatening allergies are required to complete an Action Plan (available at First Aid) to ensure the health and safety of all students at Upwey High School.

Anaphylaxis Action Plans are vital for recording and maintaining student records, please ensure your son/daughter has an up to date procedure in place at school in case of an emergency. Any reaction to a substance (peanut, bee, wasp, jumping ants, seafood even bandaids) MUST be brought to the attention of First Aid.

Remember, even if an Antihistamine is ALL that's required we MUST have the Action Plan completed and displayed in First Aid.

If you would like an Action Plan please contact Julie Pack at school or drop in to pick one up. Many thanks for your cooperation in this very important issue.

**Pauline Cram**

**First Aid Officer**

## IMPORTANT DATES

14/05 Parent Teacher Interviews L-Z 3:30pm to 5:30pm

## IMPORTANT INFORMATION TO ALL PARENTS!

Recently, we have had several reported cases of headlice, particularly in the junior school area. It is a requirement of the DEECD that **ALL** students who have either live lice or nits are excluded from school until they are treated and cleared of the infestation.

There are several products available specifically for this purpose from your local Pharmacy, so please check your children regularly and treat if required.

**Pauline Cram** First Aid Officer

## SCHOOL COUNCIL SPECIAL DRAW PRIZE

A special prize was offered to all families who made full payment of the School Council Materials and Service Charges by 6 March.

Congratulations to Mr Tim & Mrs Selina Grimes, parents of Jack Grimes, who will receive a \$200 Knox City Voucher.

## FIRST AID NEWS

### Immunisation Program 2009

**26 AUGUST 2009**

#### Year 7 Girls

Gardasil 3rd dose

Hepatitis B 2nd dose

#### Year 7 Boys

Hepatitis B 2nd dose

If you have any queries regarding immunisation, contact Rose Thompson via e-mail at: [r.thompson@yarraranges.vic.gov.au](mailto:r.thompson@yarraranges.vic.gov.au)

**Pauline Cram**

**First Aid Officer**

## 2009 SCHOOL DATES

Term 2: 20/04/09 - 26/06/09

Term 3: 13/07/09 - 18/09/09

Term 4: 05/10/09 - 18/12/09

## GENERAL OFFICE HOURS

8:00am to 4:30pm  
Monday to Thursday

8:00am to 4:00pm  
Friday

## UNIFORM SHOP HOURS

Tuesdays 10:30am to 2:00pm  
Thursdays 2:30pm to 4:00pm

**Please Note: Cheque payments are to be made out to KLAD Sports.**