Term 3 is drawing to a close and it is a time to reflect on the outstanding work of our school throughout the term. Outstanding academic, social and cultural goals have been achieved by our dedicated students. These have included our improved NAPLAN results, the fantastic dramatic production of ‘Annie’, the semi-final heroics of our Buckley Shield team and our girls stellar performances at the National Cheerleading and Aerobic championships on the Gold Coast. We are incredibly proud of these accomplishments and recognise the fantastic efforts of these great students.

Next year will mark the 40th anniversary of public education on the school site - originally as Umina High School and later as Brisbane Water Secondary College Umina Campus. A planning committee is working steadily towards this celebration, which will include an Open Day and Formal Dinner. We are excited by these events and will provide greater details throughout the next 12 months.

As part of the planning the campus will continue to undertake the refurbishment of the school environment. This has included most recently a synthetic grass all weather playground in the Support Unit area and painting of walls throughout C Block. These renovations were outlined as a priority in ‘school and community forums’ as well as ‘student voice’ initiatives. It is pleasing to note the changes throughout the school and the positive comments from the staff, students and wider community.
Principal's Report cont.

The students will begin Term 4 working towards their end of year reports and it is important to stress that the efforts will be integral in determining what class they enter next year. Year 9 are beginning their transition to the Senior Campus and have been working closely within their teams to get them ready for this movement.

Finally on behalf of the Umina Campus we extend our congratulations to all students who have completed Year 12 and wish them all the best for their impending examinations. Good luck.

Have a great holiday

Brent Walker
Principal
Brisbane Water Secondary College
Umina Campus

What's Happening

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Dear Parents, Staff, Students and Community Members,

As Term 3 draws to a close we look back on another successful term full of great opportunities and experiences for our students.

Every week is busy at school, however the last few weeks, especially so,

- Congratulations to all involved in the wonderful “Annie” production.
- It was wonderful to see so many Parents attend the Parent Teacher night, thankyou to all our dedicated staff for giving up their time to pass on important information regarding our students.
- Years 7, 8 and 9 have all undertaken a range of very important Assessment Tasks.
- Year 8 have received their Elective information, more information will be distributed in Term 4.
- Year 9 have been interviewed and their Graduation Booklets reviewed.
- All staff have begun writing Yearly Reports.
- Our new 40km/h Flashing Safety lights have been installed and are now operational.

HELMET SUCCESS – Thankyou to all Students and Parents / Carers for their support with this program. Majority of students are wearing their helmets and several awards have been given.

As Yearly Reports begin to be written, a good opportunity exists for ALL students to think about their current progress using the traffic light test below.

RED LIGHT – What should I STOP doing right now?
AMBER LIGHT – What should I CHANGE in the next few weeks?
GREEN LIGHT – What should I KEEP doing?

Thankyou everyone and enjoy your holidays, all students should look ahead and maintain their effort for the remainder of the year.

S. Warren
Deputy Principal's Report

Term 3 is coming to an end which leaves me with time to reflect upon the outstanding achievements of both the students and staff over the past couple of months. Whilst Year 7 and Year 9 students sat the NAPLAN exams during Term 2 the results were released mid Term 3. Whilst NAPLAN is only a small snapshot of the students’ literacy and numeracy achievements it was very pleasing to see an upward trend in student growth results in both literacy and numeracy. When analysing the results it is evident that a high attendance rate is of great importance if students are to achieve in the top two bands. Congratulations to all those students that performed at their personal best during these exams and continue to do so in all class and assessment work.

I would like to congratulate the teaching staff for their enthusiasm and professionalism in completing round 1 of their Classroom Teaching Observations. To continually improve teacher quality within the classroom our staff have been participating in lesson observations whereby they are visiting lessons from outside their own faculty and providing feedback to each other on ways to improve the teaching of literacy. Staff will continue to be involved in this process during Term 4.

Lastly I would like to thank our wonderful SASS staff for their outstanding work over the year. Their professionalism and friendly personalities are second to none and they continually go above and beyond in their duties to provide a quality educational learning and working environment for students, staff, parents and the community. Thank you ladies.

Have a safe and happy holiday and I look forward to working toward positive student outcomes during Term 4.

Mr Montgomery
Deputy Principal
It’s been a great term 3 in Team 1! So many things have been achieved already with many more to come in the remaining year. Year 7 have settled into their daily routine, Year 8 have been kept very busy with AVID processes teaching them to be independent learners and Year 9 are working steadily toward achieving that desirable Gold Certificate. Congratulations to the following students for making it through to the Gold Behaviour Level and rewarded with a BBQ and movie lesson:

7.1.1 - Sherece Bayley, Paige Berghofer, Deacon Cameron, Jacob Kaster, Chloe McKenzie, Libby Montgomery, Piper Riddell-Gilsenan, Cruz Rodriguez, Mathew Sarayeldin, Ashleigh Skeen, Lochlan Stevenson, Mikayla Vadala-Richardson, Monique Walker, Ebony Weatherstone and Emily Yannis

8.1.1 - Vincent Brophy, Vincent Dunlop, Ashley Evans Taleya Harris, Jack Honey, Amanda Jones, Molly Joyce, Jessica Lam, Lachlan McLeod, Phoebe Mottlee, Taylor Mundy, Lauren Murray, Liam Norval, Abbey Rivers-Lloyd, Brandon Saez, Jessica Scott, Braedon Stokeld.

9.1.1 - April Angel, Nat Fleming, Shauna Foley, Grant Hanscombe, Brayden Mangan, Jhanera Perez.

Here is your team:

Reminders:

- NO PHONES in class! If you need to check the time- find a clock on the wall or use a watch.
- BRING EQUIPMENT! All equipment will be checked during roll call classes every Tuesday.
- The homework centre is now on every Wednesday so if you need help with assignments or just want to complete some extra study then come down to the library at 2:45pm and get some quality assistance.
- ATTENDANCE: All students with unexplained absences, please get your notes into your roll call teacher with a reason, date and parents signature ASAP.
- GET TO SCHOOL ON TIME!! Detentions are being given to those students that have been arriving late to school, so remember to set an alarm before you go to sleep.

Looking forward to an incredible rest of the year in Team 1 and across the whole school,

Mr Gosden (Team 1 ATL)
Dear BWSC Families,

We need your help!

In 2016 we will be celebrating 40 years of Umina Campus and to commemorate it we are hoping to publish a school recipe book to celebrate the families of both the students and staff who have attended and worked at the school.

To make this happen we are asking that you to assist us by sending in your favourite family recipes.

Please include:

1. Recipe Title
2. Family Name
3. Ingredients
4. Method

Please send your recipe via email to Tullia.price2@det.nsw.edu.au

Thankyou, we look forward to receiving your treasured family recipes!

Kind regards,

Tullia Price
Term 3 DANCE PARTY

On Wednesday the 12th August the SRC held the term 3 Dance Party. The theme of the Dance Party was “Sports” and we had some great costumes including football jerseys, netball players, cheerleaders, referees and even a baseball uniform.

Our local DJ from “DJ Magoo’s” was great again this year displaying an innovative light show, with smoke machine and great tunes. The students who attended all had a great time dancing the night away and we cannot wait for the Term 4 Dance Party which will be held on Wednesday the 21st of October.

LEGACY WEEK

Every year a number of SRC students wake up at 5:30am to help raise money for Legacy during Legacy Week. Legacy week is the annual national appeal to raise awareness and funds for the families of our incapacitated and deceased veterans.

It is also known for its badge day and the iconic badges offered as a token of appreciation for donations made by the public. SRC students were scattered throughout the Peninsula on Friday the 4th September selling all the Legacy Merchandise from 6-11am in which they managed to raise $2616.

They thoroughly enjoyed the experience communicating with fellow community members and are excited to help out with this great cause again next year.
Agriculture students and Cattle Club members have been busy hosting Kindergarten and Pre school interactive excursions throughout the term. More than three hundred students have visited the farm from six schools and pre schools in the region to date and bookings continue into fourth term. The positive feedback regarding the students’ skills, knowledge and welcoming hospitality has been overwhelming. It is also wonderful to see the response to the elite performance and success of the Agriculture department in the cattle and pig show program in 2015.

At right: Year 7 students enjoying the harvest from the citrus orchard.

The citrus orchard has been very productive this spring with large amounts of oranges, grapefruit, mandarins, lemons and limes.

The new automated poly house is being planted with beans, zucchini, cucumber, tomatoes and parsley all grown from seed at the farm.

At right: Students are excited to see the progress of their hydroponic lettuce crop.

The farm is very busy finalizing preparations for the Singleton Prime Stock Competition mid September and continuing to prepare for the Upper Hunter Beef Bonanza in October.
From August 31\textsuperscript{st} to September 4\textsuperscript{th}
NSW Government schools recognise the hard work of our SAS staff in our schools. At the Umina Campus of Brisbane Water Secondary College we are incredibly well served by our SAM (School Administration Manager) Vivienne Corcoran and her outstanding staff. These dedicated professionals work tirelessly in the classroom and throughout the school to support both our staff and students. I am incredibly proud of these colleagues and thank them humbly for their hard work and dedication to our school.

Thank you to our wonderful SAS staff!
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Please note a $50 non-refundable security deposit is payable upon booking a party.
For further information, please call 02 4344 7851.

Bonus
Every child attending a PCYC party receives a free 12 month PCYC membership.
A record number of students and teams were involved in competing at the highest level in Dance, Aerobics and Cheerleading. BWSC Umina took 25 students from 3 Aerobics, 2 Cheerleading and 4 individual Dancers to compete at the National Championships held at the Gold Coast Convention Centre 14th-16th August.
BWSC Represented in every genre at the National School Aerobics, Dance and Cheerleading competition, which is a fantastic testament to the depth of talent we have at our school. All students were fantastic ambassadors of BWSC Umina, upholding our 3 school values at every instance.
OUTSTANDING RESULTS ACHIEVED:

Cheer Audition: Tannika Hynds 2nd
Jnr Lyrical Dance: Tannika Hynds 2nd, Ella-Rose Mercer 3rd
Large Team Cheer: Year 9 2nd
Apart from the wonderful opportunity to compete against Victoria, Queensland and South Australia, the girls also had the great experience of travelling interstate with their peers and friendships across both year groups were evident. As a teacher I am not only impressed at their level of commitment and dedication to the competition, but also their ability to embrace any obstacles put in front of them, and turn negatives into positives. They truly are a wonderful group of students whom I am very honoured to coach and support.
A massive thanks also to all of those who supported the teams including all of our sponsors, family, and those parents who travelled interstate to cheer the girls on.

Thanks to Ms Jessica Crowther for accompanying us and giving massive help throughout the weekend.
As we approach the end of the term, students and teachers continue to work hard finalising assessment tasks. Some students enjoy balancing their studies with extra-curricular activities.

**Automotive studies**  
*Kasey Walker interviews India Davis*

Recently I interviewed my friend, India Davis 9.2.2 about the TAFE course she is doing at St Leonards.

Q. How did you learn about the course?
A. My Careers teacher, Ms Lewis, introduced me to the idea of automotive courses at TAFE. In Term Two, I studied the mechanics course and this term she helped me secure the automotive spray painting course.

Q. How many days a week do you participate in the course?
A. I have been going every Thursday since the beginning of this term. Next Thursday will be my eighth and final week.

Q. What has been your favourite part of the TAFE experience?
A. Learning new things. I also like to draw. I’ll be able to apply both skills when I leave school with my spray designs.

Q. Would you do the course again?
A. Absolutely. It has been a positive experience that I have benefitted from. Everyone at TAFE has been very helpful and encouraging.

**Annie - By Niah Delamotte**

Monday through to Wednesday of the last week of the term, four of our creative Team 2 students will be participating in the school’s production of Annie. Luca Richardson plays the part of ‘Rooster’ Hannigan, Ayla Goddard and Tallula Mason are dancers and Amelia Newell-Close, as a member of the Technical Entertainment Production Academy, works on the technical aspects of the production. Mr Phillips, Mr Ross and Mrs Hocking are leading the production.
Creative students from all Years have produced some Amazing Posters, DVD covers and Picture Books.
**Team 4 in HSIE**

**7CAPA** have been investigating ancient civilisations in History and watched the Dreamtime story 'The Rainbow Serpent'. Using their visual literacy skills, they created a colourful picture quilt of all their favourite scenes from the story!

**8CAPA and 842** have just completed Medieval History... knights, castles and the Black Death...

**941** are just starting World War I and they are learning about Gallipoli.

**Team 4 in ART**

**7CAPA** have just finished Faces in Art where they have been practising drawing self-portraits. They have just begun our new topic “HEROES”. During this topic they get to make clay masks, fire them and glaze them to take home.

**8CAPA** have almost completed their first topic PLACES and SPACES. They learnt how to draw in One Point perspective. We will be starting the second topic MY PLACE soon. This is an Aboriginal Art topic involving map making and the students try their hand at using ochre and pastels.
Another busy ending to the term with a 'Behind the Scenes' zoo excursion, Whitecard Course, and a Bricklaying course.

Students participating in all of these excursions, particularly the Bricklaying course had a great time. The bricklaying participants learnt how to lay bricks, correct techniques and work in a team environment. By the end of the week, the students had collaboratively built a pizza oven. Congratulations to all involved.

Unfortunately, TAFE have informed me that there will not be any Taster TAFE courses for term 4. However, if your child is wanting to do a Taster course in 2016 and are 15 years of age, I will happily help them enrol before the end of the year for term 1 courses.

Mock Interviews are fast approaching. All students should by now have received feedback for both the résumé and cover letters. It is now your child's responsibility to tidy up and correct their work in their own time. If you are available and interested in joining our panel members for this event, please do not hesitate to contact me. We would welcome parents, community members and local employers.

All Year 9 students are expected to attend the Mock Interview, November 16-18.

We have had an increase of students attending work experience this term. Several of our students have attended local primary schools, McDonalds Woy Woy, Best & Less and Childcare facilities. A big congratulations to one of our students who was offered part time work after the week.

The last Barista course for 2015 is on October 30 and notes are available from the BWSC Umina website.

I would also like to take this time to thank Linda Goodacre who filled in for me whilst I was on two weeks leave.

Nerrida Lewis
Careers Advisor, BWSC Umina.

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As featured in THAT’S LIFE Magazine, Aug 6th 2015
Our teams 2nd competition for the year was in the Sydney North Area Netball Gala day on 21st August at Adcock Park.

The girls played 7 pool matches throughout the day against Gosford, Cheltenham, Davidson, Hornsby, Barrenjoey. The girls showed great adaptability to play out of position where needed. The team played well all day with 4 wins, Marsden and Gorokan HS and had 6 wins, 1 loss. Unfortunately the girls were defeated by 2 goals in the 1st Final match which moved us out of placings for the event.

The girls can be extremely proud of their achievements. They were a player down, without their usual Centre (through illness). As usual the girls played with great sportsmanship both on and off the court.

We thank Mr Walker for coming to support us during the day.
Online Payment Facility Now Available

It is now possible for parents to make online payments to the school via a secure payment page hosted by Westpac. Payments can be made using either a Visa or MasterCard credit or debit card. To access the online payment system click on the $Make a payment$ tab on the front page of the schools website.

Items that can be paid include general school contributions, subject contributions, excursions, sales to students and creative and practical arts activities. There is also a category called “Other” which covers any items not covered in the previous headings. “Other” can be used by any other person or entity to pay a school invoice.

When you access the $Make a payment$ you must enter:

- the students name, class and reference number
- the students name, and date of birth.

These details are entered each time you make a payment as student information is not held within the payment system. There is also the option to enter the Student Registration Number and Invoice number - these are not used at our school, please leave blank.

This is a secure payment system hosted by Westpac to ensure that your credit/debit card details are captured in a secure manner, these details are not passed back to the school.

You have the ability to check and change any details of the payment before the payment is processed and receipts can be emailed to the school and/or printed.

Details of the payments are passed daily to the school where they will be receipted against your child’s account. As a receipt has been issued from the payment page a further receipt will not be issued by the school.

Should you require any further information regarding the Online Payment process please contact the School Administration Office on 4341 9066.
Some Year 8 Spanish and French classes were lucky enough to have a special visit from an exchange student named Paula this term. Paula comes from a tiny country called Andorra, situated in the Pyrenees Mountains between Spain and France. She spent ten weeks living in Australia with Senora Leite and going to a local high school. Paula introduced herself to the classes in Spanish and then talked about her life in Andorra and how it is different to life here in Australia. She showed some gorgeous pictures of her country which sits among snow capped peaks and other aspects of her life.
## Holiday Activities

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All program fees include GST. For other information on each program, please phone 02 4362 3184 or see www.sportandrecreation.nsw.gov.au
Team 8

What a busy term it has been! Mr Lawler and I would like to congratulate a number of our students for their outstanding achievements throughout the term.

We would like to congratulate all of the students in our team who achieved PBL Silver level and attended the movie and barbeque rewards day! There were 400 students from across the school with 51 of those being from team 8. We are proud of these students who have consistently demonstrated the schools PBL core values of Respect, Commitment and Relationships.

Congratulations also to all of our students who completed the Premiers Reading Challenge this term. It is a program that is valued within our school and the DEC and encourages students to read at home and school.

We would like to wish all of our students and their families a safe holiday and we look forward to working with you all next term!

Thank you
Mrs Lucy Burns and Mr Kieran Lawler

WANT TO MAKE SOME WAVES?

WOY WOY WATER POLO CLUB WANTS YOU!

Registration: Sunday Sept 13th 9am -12pm Peninsula Leisure Centre foyer.

Flippa: Sat 8.45am -10am Non-competitive 8-11 yrs – learn to play

12’s-16’s: Sat 10-1.30pm. Graded comp PLC, Gosford, Wyong pools

U18’s & Snrs: Wed 6-8.30pm Graded Comp PLC, Wyong pools

SWIM FRIENDS FITNESS FUN

Questions? Vanessa 4341 4553 OR 0402 274 031

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Sensational students sipped Zooper Doopers as a reward for their beautiful behaviour. Photos below are of Team 5 students who have achieved Bronze level by demonstrating our school core values of Respect, Relationships and Commitments.

Last week all students that have accomplished Silver and Gold level enjoyed watching The Lego Movie and a delicious sausage sizzle as a prize for continual dedication towards their learning.

As we approach the end of a very busy and successful Term 3, Team 5 teachers wish everyone a safe and lovely holiday.
Congratulations to the following students who have attained either a silver or gold level. These students were rewarded on Wednesday 9th of September with a movie in the Gym and a BBQ lunch by following our Core School Values of: RESPECT, COMMITMENT & RELATIONSHIPS.

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The team would like to acknowledge and celebrate some of our students who participate in challenging activities – and have a lot of fun in the process.

“Young People should be at the forefront of global change and innovation. Empowered, they can be key elements for development and peace.” – Kofi Annan

CATTLE-WRANGLING, chicken raising and duckling minding may be new skills for three students in 761, but they are embracing the challenges and opportunities these agricultural arts are providing.

Kiara Barnett, Tahlia Campbell and Mia Chamberlain have been invited to accompany the school to the Singleton Show because of their commitment to and interest in the school ag farm. The girls come to school early to feed the animals and give up weekend sleep-ins and free time during the holidays to care for the animals.

They are all keen to work on farms or with animals in future careers.
TEAM SIX is very proud of our hard-working and high-achieving CAPA students. Ella-Rose Mercer, Tannika Hynds, Cieanna Connelly and Nicole Smith, all of 961, have been juggling Annie rehearsals and shows with the usual round of school work and assessment tasks. The team would like to acknowledge their positive approach to their learning as well as their outstanding performances.

JASMINE RYBIE is Team Six’s work experience student of the month. Jasmine, of 961, spent a week at a local child care centre looking after the 4-year-olds, creating craft events for them and participating in their games.

The centre loved having Jasmine there and appreciated her intuitive nature and her maturity in dealing with both the children and the staff.

Jasmine enjoyed the experience. “If you want to try something different, work experience is definitely the way to go. It was a bit crazy and a bit funny all at the same time.”
Here we are at the end of term 3! We have focussed on Commitment this term, especially displayed through school uniform and by being fully prepared for every lesson by bringing all school equipment. The great majority of Team 7 have succeeded in displaying their commitment to learning this term, which has been great to see. Many of these students were rewarded at the Gold/ Silver incursion in week 9.

**PBL Update**

All Team 7 teachers have actively distributed PB’s for those students displaying our school values of Commitment, Respect, and relationships (which was around 95% of our students!). These were tallied by Ms Maxwell and students progressed up the PBL reward scale, with several reaching Silver and Gold status. Congratulations team, and keep up the good work.

**Highlights of Term Term 3:**

- Yr. 7 Snow Excursion 25-28 August. Many of our 771 class attended the school snow excursion, and enjoyed the 45cm of fresh snow that fell just before they arrived. It was a very busy and tiring excursion, but we all had great fun.
- Parent Teacher Night 8 September. It was great to see so many Team 7 parents in attendance.
- Gold/ Silver reward incursion. Our high flying PBL students were invited to a movie and sausage sizzle in week 9. Well done to those students. All students will be eligible for the Gold excursion in term 4. Keep earning and collecting those PB’s!

Looking forward to the remainder of Semester 2 in Team 7 and across the whole school.
2015 PRIMARY SCHOOL GALA DAYS – 14/8/15 and 28/8/15

As part of the Year 9 Physical Activity and Sports Studies “Event Management” unit, all sport elective students assist in the organisation and running of both Primary School Gala Days. This event has also been linked to a major assessment task for this elective.

During theoretical lessons, all organisational details were discussed. These included: Hiring of 5 local sports grounds, how to organise a draw for a competition, equipment required, required student and teacher roles during the days, rules of the sports played, etc.

After many meetings and long hours put in behind the scenes the first Gala Day occurred on Friday, 14th August. I am proud to state that the BWSC students represented the school in the best way possible. Students arrived on time, organised pairs to referee, assisted Primary students with playing skills and techniques and overall, contributed positively to a very successful event. From all reports day two followed the same excellent pattern that was established on day one.

Here are some interesting facts from the days:

- Ettalong, Umina, Point Clare, Woy Woy and Woy Woy South Primary Schools were all involved. Students from years 3, 4, 5 and 6 took part.
- 4 sports (Soccer, League Tag, Netball and AFL) across 5 venues on the Peninsula were utilised.
- A total of 152 teams competed. Over 1000 Primary School Students were physically active over the 2 days.

A massive thank you goes out to every teacher, High School and Primary that provided assistance, on the spot coaching, supervision, motivation, first aid, bringing equipment to set up the venues, getting teams and buses organised before and on the day and every other role that we do.

A special thank you to Jason Hayward and Sam Shergold and all support staff from their respective codes (NRL and AFL).

Thanks to the Ettalong Netball Association for allowing us to utilise their main building and for providing a canteen on both days.

Last but not least an extra big thank you to all the BWSC and Primary students. I am sure every teacher at every venue witnessed hundreds of happy, active and motivated students having lots of fun and maybe trying a new sport for the first time.

This was a fantastic opportunity for all involved. See you all in 2016.

Mark Rae (PE)
Cyberbullying prevention – tips for parents

At a glance

肠胃 Talk to your child about cyberbullying before it happens.
肠胃 Be aware of what your child is doing online.
肠胃 Locate the computer in a shared or visible place in the home.
肠胃 Don’t simply ignore cyberbullying.
肠胃 Watch for changes in mood and behaviour in your child.
肠胃 Report abuse to the relevant authorities.
肠胃 All schools have anti-bullying policies – ask about yours.

The statistics around cyberbullying are sketchy, mainly because it often goes unreported. What we do know is that the likelihood of children being bullied online or over the phone increases as they get older and use technology more frequently.

We also know that parents typically monitor their younger children’s online activities more than they do tweens and teenagers. Unfortunately the age when kids are most likely to be cyberbullied coincides with when we’re least likely, as parents, to know about it.

Say NO to cyberbullying – tips for parents

1. Talk to your child about cyberbullying before it happens. Work out strategies to address cyberbullying that both of you are comfortable with so your child knows what to expect if they do report their concerns to you.
2. Establish one or two other trusted adults your child is comfortable in approaching about their concerns.
3. Be aware of what your child is doing online and explore it with them.
4. Keep the lines of communication open so your child will be comfortable about talking to you if something is worrying them. Help your child to develop the skills they need to interact safely and respectfully online. Guide their online activities and help them learn to communicate appropriately with friends and family.
5. Try to locate the computer in a shared or visible place in the home.
6. Discuss the kinds of sites that are ok to explore and those that are not and have clear rules about online activities.
7. Help your child to block anyone who sends offensive content. Most social networking services allow users to block and report someone who is behaving badly.
Keeping Facebook private

At a glance

 نيوز Google your child’s name, then search for them on Facebook. See who has access to what information.
 نيوز Make sure your child sets their privacy options so only genuine friends can find them on Facebook.
 نيوز Having hundreds of Facebook friends isn’t proof of popularity, just proof privacy is not being taken seriously.
 نيوز What goes on Facebook can become public and permanent – the good, the bad and the soul-destroyingly embarrassing. Future employers will probably search for your child’s name on Google and Facebook.
 نيوز Emphasise to your child that they should never agree to meet with anyone they have "met" on Facebook (or any other internet-based social network), without a parent or responsible, trusted adult present.

The next P&C Association Meeting

Wednesday 16th September 2015
7:00 p.m. Sharp
At: Woy Woy Campus
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