



### Our Vision:

To educate the students with the life skills necessary to achieve academic, social and emotional success.

**SUPPORT**  
Recognising that we all have different learning needs and that we need to assist and help each other.

**OPPORTUNITY**  
Providing every child a broad range of possibilities to achieve success.

**UNITY**  
Working as a team with common beliefs and understandings.

**RESPONSIBILITY**  
Being accountable and trustworthy.

**COMMUNITY**  
We are a group of people with a common interest.

**EXCELLENCE**  
Striving to be the best we can be.

### Message from the Principal:

Dear Parents,

#### READING EGGS AND MATHLETICS

These two online programs can be used at home and school.

The online programs are designed to motivate and excite your child about reading and maths. Your child will be able to practise what they have learned in class and you will be able to view your child's progress.

A letter has been sent home this week with login details.

These have also been attached to your child's diary/reader folder.

#### VEGETABLES AND FRUIT FOR CHILDREN

Included in this newsletter is a handout called "Try It—You'll Like It!". Vegetable and fruit for children. At school we encourage healthy eating. We have fruit snack every morning in all classes. We also encourage students to pick and eat from our vegetable garden. Please persist at home with sending a variety of healthy snacks of fruit and vegetables.

#### TWILIGHT SPORTS

This was a successful evening with a large number of families attending. The zucchini slices that Kellie and my grade made that morning were very tasty. Thanks to Michelle, Yvette and Sonya for assisting with our groups.



#### PARENT READING SESSION

Next Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> March 3 -3.30pm in the staffroom Kellie and I will be running on session 'How to help your child with reading'. This is aimed at new families and those on levelled readers.



#### SCHOOL COUNCIL

Official nominations closed last Friday for our School Council Election. We had 3 vacancies and have received only 1 nomination. Welcome back on to council to Yvette Hind. Please seriously consider standing for council. Our next meeting which is the AGM will be on 19<sup>th</sup> March 6.30pm.

Kim Franzke

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## Student Accident Insurance

The Department of Education and Early Childhood Development and Tawonga Primary School do not provide personal accident insurance or ambulance cover for students. Parents and guardians, who do not have student accident insurance/ambulance cover, are responsible for paying the cost of medical treatment for injured students, including the cost of ambulance attendance/ transport costs.

Student accident insurance policies are available from some commercial insurers. The Department and the school cannot advise parents/guardians on whether to purchase a student accident policy or which policy to purchase. It is recommended that you seek assistance in this matter with your insurance broker or find a suitable personal accident insurer in the Yellow Pages or online.

## Children and Hot Cars. No Exceptions. No Excuses.

On 3 February the Government launched a new campaign called *No Exception, No Excuses* to warn parents of the dangers of leaving their children inside cars on hot days. We have been requested to circulate the following information to all school families.

On hot days, it is important to remember that children should never be left alone in a car.

The temperature inside a car on hot days begins to rise as soon as the door closes and within minutes the temperature inside can be double the temperature outside.

Leaving children in hot cars – even for a moment – can result in injury or death.

Young children's smaller bodies and underdeveloped nervous system places them at a much greater risk of life-threatening heatstroke, dehydration and other serious health risks.

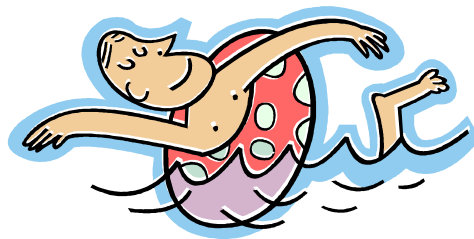
Victorian legislation makes leaving a child unattended in a car a criminal offence, with penalties ranging from fines of \$2165 or three months in prison.

If you are travelling with a child in a car and you need to get out, make sure you take your child with you. No exceptions. No excuses.

For more information, see: <http://www.kidsafevic.com.au>

## Year 3-6 Swimming Sports

Today the year 3-6 students participated in the Cluster Swimming Sports. What fantastic weather we had for the day. Please stay tuned in next weeks newsletter for more news and photos of the day.



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## MARC Library Services

As most of you are probably aware we are currently undertaking a thorough stocktake of the MARC Van stock. While this is being conducted there will be no borrowing from the service.

A reminder that if families find any library books at home please return to school as soon as possible.

We appreciate your patience while this is being completed.

Sue Kovacs.



## School Banking



Commonwealth Bank School Banking is every Thursday. Students need to put their bank books in the Red Box for collection. Anyone interested in opening an account for their child/ren please either contact Lisa in the office or ask at the local Commonwealth Bank. Students who save regularly earn tokens to cash in on a reward after 10 are collected.

## Photos From Twilight Sports



# CALENDAR OF EVENTS:

# FEBRUARY/MARCH

MON	TUES	WED	THURS	FRI	SAT/SUN
			27 Lunch Order Day Cluster Swim Sports Day Year 3-6	28 Zone Swimming School Clean Up Day	1/2March
3	4 Library Parent Reading Session 3- 3.30pm.	5 Preps attend	6 Lunch Order Day	7	8/9
10 LABOUR DAY HOLIDAY	11 Art	12	13 Lunch Order Day	14 Book Club Orders Due back at school	15/16
17	18 Library	19 School Council AGM Ride to School Day	20 Lunch Order Day	21 National Day of Action Against Bullying and Violence.	22/23
24	25 Art	26	27 Lunch Order Day	28	29/30

## REMINDERS

**Facebook** - You can keep in touch with us on the official Tawonga Primary School page and the Tawonga Primary School Family and Friends page.

**Pupil Free Day** - Monday 31st March

## SCHOOL COUNCILLORS

President	Mark Roffey 0437 131 778 roffey.mark.m@edumail.vic.gov.au
Vice President	Katrina Vazzoler 0438 310 068
Buildings & Grounds	Davide Angelini 03 57541 192
Other Councillors	Yvette Hind, Graham Boote, Ellen Gorham, Jane Zagorski





# Community News

## TAWONGA RURAL FIRE BRIGADE

### PARTY PLAN/MARKET NIGHT

Friday 28th February 6-8pm.

Ladies, leave the family at home and grab your girlfriends for an evening of retail therapy at the TAWONGA HALL.

Loads of Party Planners and Market Stalls with all proceeds going to help our local volunteers purchase new equipment.

A \$2 Entry fee gives you the chance to win one of MANY lucky door prizes.

In true country style bring a plate of supper to share.

A great chance to catch up and meet friends both old and new.

At 8pm our amazing Summer Raffle will be drawn. Raffle Tickets are on sale now at the Tawonga Store.

## MOUNT BEAUTY SOCCER CLUB

Mt Beauty Soccer Club are excited to offer 2 great weekends away to play soccer, have fun and build team skills.

All "Girls FC" tournament in Melbourne at the State Soccer Centre.

U/10, U/11, U/12, U/13, U/14, U/15, U/16.

March 22nd & 23rd 2014.

This tournament is same format as Total Girl - 7 a side teams.

All "Boys FC" tournament in Bendigo.

U/10, U/11, U/12, U/13, U/14, U/15, U/16.

March 28th & 29th 2014.

7 a side and plenty of games over 2 days.

Mt Beauty Soccer Club is looking for girls and boys to register for these 2 great opportunities.

The club will arrange transport, accommodation and most food for the trip away.

Training will start Mid Feb. day and time to be determined.

Please register asap with Ron 57544886, or Andrea

The next Upper Kiewa Valley Community Association Community Forum

will be held on Thursday 6th March, 2014 at 7.30pm in the Visitor Information Centre Auditorium.

The new Alpine Shire CEO, councillors and local political representatives have been invited.

Come and hear what has been happening in our valley and future plans.

There will also be an Open Question time.

Please tell your friends - everyone is welcome to come and have their say!

## MOUNT BEAUTY COMMUNITY MARKET

Saturday 1st March

9am-1pm

Interested Stallholders can contact Bev on 57544097

## How to Submit Community News:

Articles can be sent to [tawonga.ps@edumail.vic.gov.au](mailto:tawonga.ps@edumail.vic.gov.au) by end of day Wednesday for inclusion in Community News.



## VICTORIAN SCHOOL OF LANGUAGES

Located at

**WODONGA MIDDLE YEARS COLLEGE**

**Mitchell Street Wodonga**

**Language Classes for 2014**

The Victorian School of Languages is offering language classes in 2014 on Tuesday afternoons at the Wodonga Middle Years College in Mitchell Street Wodonga.

Classes are available in Spanish, Japanese, French, Italian, Punjabi and German on a Tuesday afternoons from 4.00 – 6.15pm

Enrol on line at [www.vsl.vic.edu.au](http://www.vsl.vic.edu.au)

You will automatically receive a confirmation email which you will need to print and bring to the supervisor before class outside Room A9 at the Wodonga Middle Years College. Classes have just commenced.

If you have attended VSL classes before you will need to follow the re-enrol prompts on the website.

Primary and secondary students are eligible to enrol, from Government and non-Government schools, in Albury as well as Wodonga.

If you require additional information please contact Chris Varker at [varker.christine.g@edumail.vic.gov.au](mailto:varker.christine.g@edumail.vic.gov.au) or on 0428 310001 or AH (03) 57261 269

Costs for the year:

\$70 a year for students in Years 1-10

\$210 VCE

\$350 for adults per year.

CHRIS VARKER

VSL Supervisor Wodonga Centre

### TAKE HOME A BIG BROTHER OR BIG SISTER

Give your children the wonderful opportunity to have an international big brother or big sister by hosting one of our exceptional international students arriving in Australia in July 2014 for their 3, 5 or 10 month programs. Our international students from France, Spain, Germany, Italy, Finland, Norway and Denmark will live as a local, attend a local secondary school, arrive with their own spending money and comprehensive insurance cover – all arranged by Southern Cross Cultural Exchange. Visit us at [www.scce.com.au](http://www.scce.com.au), email [scceaust@scce.com.au](mailto:scceaust@scce.com.au) or call us toll free on **1800 500 501**, request our international student profiles, and capture the spirit of family and friendship!

### PANCAKE NIGHT

Tuesday 4th March – Tawonga Hall from 6pm.

\$10 per person. \$30 per family of 4.

ALL WELCOME.

### Mt Beauty Brumbies Basketball Club

Parents & teenage players:

We need you to help coach juniors!

Just an hour or two of your time

No experience needed!

Support will be provided to get you started

Phone Helen Mathew Secretary  
0419 399737

or Mark Roffey President 0437  
131778

### DEDERANG MT BEAUTY FOOTBALL/NETBALL CLUB

**U12 football training - Wed 5 March, 5.30, Mt Beauty.**

**Training for U12 football will start next Wednesday 5 March, 5.30pm, at the Mt Beauty footy oval. This is for ages 8-12.**

**We will also take expressions of interest for junior Auskick (age 5-8). If there are enough kids, we will run an Auskick program this year also.**

**Information will be given out on the night. Come along, even if you haven't registered. Past and new players all welcome.**