Dear Families,

What a fantastic Term 1 we have had:

- Four weeks of swimming at the Mt Beauty pool.
- Celebrate Tawonga PS Day with fence art, mosaics and chocolate making.
- Our Preps have settled into the school routines extremely well.
- 4 students headed to Melbourne for a Leadership conference.
- Fundraising by the 5/6s for camp by selling icy-poles. As well as 3 meal deals organised by parents.
- Great buddy activities each Friday.
- Excellent academic results published in our Annual Report.
- Concept plans drawn up for our 5 Year school grounds master plan.

AND what a lot we have planned for Term 2. Please see calendar.

The learning focus for Term 2 will be around “What is my Community?” For the younger students this will look at our local community and for the senior student they will be researching about what makes us a Nation.

Our Community Clubs will begin the first Friday back. The students will work in small groups with a community member and learn some new skills. Some of the activities will include cooking, woodwork, dance, photography. The students will stay in the same club for 3 weeks and then changes to another club for another 3 weeks. The dates will be as follows:

Clubs 1: 19th April, 3rd May, 17th May
Clubs 2: 31st May, 7th May, 14th May

Kim Franzke
Principal

Check out the front cover of the Observer this week. Ride to School day last Friday was a huge success.

Thursday 28th March
Assembly at 9am to draw raffle
Crazy Hair and Free Dress Day
Gold Donation to the Tawonga CFA
Meal Deal
Early finish at 2.30pm
CALENDAR 2013

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| **Thursday** | 28 | **Last Day Of Term 1. Crazy Hair Day. Raffle Drawn.**  
Meal Deal Day 3  
School dismissed at 2.30pm |

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| **Monday** | 22 | School Council Meeting 7.30pm (Finance 7.00pm)  
4 students attending Woorabinda school camp for 5 days. |
| **Wednesday** | 24 | Bully Bull Ring Incursion at Tawonga with Falls Creek and Dederang students. |
| **Thursday** | 25 | Anzac Day Holiday |
| **Friday** | 26 | **Pupil Free Day** |
| **Tuesday** | 30 | School Photos |

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Please note : No Icy Poles in Term 2.

SCHOOL HOLIDAY WORKING BEE

A number of parents have expressed interest in doing some work over the holidays. Some of the work includes: spreading mulch, general gardening and tidy up, installing our values totem poles which Parent Club have purchased.

I am also in the process of lining up someone to do some preliminary work around the edge of our playground to replace the rotten sleepers.

If you are keen to assist in anyway please speak to Yvette, Dave or myself. Stay tuned on our Facebook page or the family and friends pages to see when we will be at school.

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CRAZY HAIR DAY

The Junior School Council presents…..

Tawonga Primary Schools  
Crazy Hair Day

This will be held **TOMORROW.** Come to school will coloured, messy, Mohawk, whatever takes your fancy hair!! Get your thinking caps on and create your best Do.

A gold coin donation is required and will be donated to the Tawonga CFA.
SCHOOL COUNCILLORS

As previously mentioned we welcome our new School Council on board for 2013. If any parents wish to speak with anyone about any school issues at all please don’t hesitate to contact any of them. Each school councillor has put forward their email addresses for your information if you wish to contact them.

Mark Roffey (President) – mark.roffey@bendigoadelaide.com.au
Katrina Vazzoler (Vice President) – kvazzoler@bigpond.com
Davide Angelini – alpineteaco@bigpond.com
Yvette Hind – yvetie@hotmail.com
Clive Hawkins – redbeard1@dodo.com
Graham Boote – graham@essentialplumbing.com.au

HOOPTIME BASKETBALL

Just a reminder for those students who have not yet returned their Hooptime Basketball notices to do so tomorrow. More are available at the office if needed.

PARENT GROUP NEWS

Music Festival
Parent Group are still requesting the assistance of parents for the Music Festival BBQ. If you can spare a couple of hours this would be much appreciated. Please return the attached form at the bottom of this page if you are able to fill any gaps in the roster.

Tawonga Primary School have also been asked to provide a supper for the event at the Tawonga Hall on the Saturday night of the Festival. A plate will be sent home in the first week of Term 2 requesting families to provide a slice or cake which can be used for the supper.

The Dederang Mt Beauty Football and Netball Club are hosting ‘Launch on the Lawn on Saturday 6th April from 6.30pm. If anyone is attending and can spare an hour we will be selling Donuts and Fairy Floss. If you are able to lend a hand please contact either Anne on 57544595 or Yvette on 0417 387 112. Any assistance will be much appreciated.

Parent Group will be holding another meeting at the Old Tawonga Store on Tuesday 16th April at 1.30pm. This is an informal get together and all are welcome to attend. Please put the date on your calendar.

MOUNT BEAUTY MUSIC FESTIVAL 20TH AND 21ST APRIL

Our school will once again be running a BBQ at the Mt Beauty Music Festival this year on Saturday 20th April. This is one of the schools main fundraisers and we would appreciate having your help. If anyone has a spare couple of hours and would like to help out please place your name in the time you are available and return to the school. We will require 4 people for each time slot. If anyone has any questions in regards to this please speak with Anne Stanmore. If you can give a couple of hours it would be appreciated.

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About the play:

Bellamy the young Bison Bull loves his enclosure at the zoo, but not the other Bison Bulls who bully him!! Being the focus of the “Bully Bull-Ring” is tough for a young Bison when none of the adult herd seem to notice. Now name calling, being left out & getting roughed up have become part of everyday life. How much can one Bison bare??

Join Bellamy as he escapes his enclosure & travels the zoo learning the animal kingdom’s solution to bullying. Will he “Rise Above It” like a Giraffe, use the “Camouflage” of a Zebra, or find a “Better Buddy” like the Polar Bear? Which way works best?

The characters all perform their own song & dance numbers to help Bellamy understand different approaches to resolving the issues of bullying. With lesson plans & question time incorporating the ideals of programmes such as “You Can Do It” & “Better Buddies” just to name a few. Ideal for schools focussing on bullying into the future.
Year 5/6 Camp 20\textsuperscript{th} - 24\textsuperscript{th} May 2013.

The Year 5/6 camp is almost here. For those students attending we remind parents that final payment of $300.00 is now due.

Below is a short description of what the camp involves.

**YEAR 5 & 6 CAMP TO CANBERRA**

Year 5 & 6 students will be undertaking an educational tour of the national capital. While on this tour they participate in a variety of educational programmes focused on Australia’s history, culture, heritage and democracy.

The Australian Government recognises the importance of all young Australians being able to visit their National Capital as part of their civics and citizenship education. To assist in meeting the cost of the excursion the Australian Government has contributed $20 per student under the Parliament and Civics Education Rebate (PACER) programme toward the travel expenses incurred. This contribution will be paid directly to the school.

We would like to thank the Australian Government for their support of this program.

*We leave for Canberra on Monday 20\textsuperscript{th} May, departing school at 8.00am and returning Friday 24\textsuperscript{th} May at 3.20pm.*

Please speak with Ellen if you have any further questions.
COMMUNITY NEWS

Dederang Mt Beauty Football
Netball Club presents
**LAUNCH ON THE LAWN**
April 6th 2013 at the Dederang Oval
Event starts at 6:30pm, straight after awards
at the multipurpose building
**Live Entertainment**
Food and Drinks available to purchase
BYO Picnic Blanket and Chairs
**Adults: $15 each Children: $5 Family Pass: $35**
For further information, please contact:
Monika Hood: 0416 237 434 Amelia Connors:
0422 263 376

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**GYMNASTICS TERM 2**
Gymnastics will start the first Wednesday of term 2 at the Mt Beauty Stadium, it is open to preps through to grade 6, and runs from 4.30pm to 5.30pm.
All information will be provided at the first Wednesday session. You are also welcome to come and just try at this session. Please wear comfortable clothing and shoes/runner are not required, it’s a bare foot activity.

This activity is run by Jenny Farrington from Mt Beauty Secondary School and the classes are taught by her senior secondary gymnastic students.

Jenny has indicated that she is happy for kinder kids to participate as long as they are turning 5 this year.

If you require more information or have questions please attend the first session on Wednesday 17th April 2013.

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**Mount Beauty Playscape Personalised Bollards - this is your last chance to submit a design!**
Add your personal touch to the character and community spirit of the playground by the pondage by designing your own bollard.
Submissions can be left at the Mount Beauty Hardware & Drapery Store by Friday 19 April.
One side $50. Two sides $85.
Businesses, sporting clubs and community groups most welcome!
For more information, please contact Kate Blanks on 0425 743 426.
Would make a great school holiday project!!!

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**FREE GOLF**
The Mount Beauty Golf Club is keen to encourage juniors to play golf. They are offering free use of the golf course until the annual subs are due in June. All you need are a couple of clubs and balls, and, with holidays approaching you might like to try golf, especially those who attended the recent free clinics.

Please look after the golf course. It is maintained by volunteers.
Mount Beauty Sports Centre will hold School Holiday activities in the stadium.

1st Week

Wednesday 3rd April  9.30am to 3pm - Multi-Sports Day (bring your Bathers & Towel)
Thursday 4th April  9.30am to 3pm - Basketball (Skills and games)

2nd Week

Tuesday 9th April  9.30am to 3pm - Netball (skills and games)
Wednesday 10th April  9.30am to 3pm - Basketball (2on2, 3on3)
Thursday 11th April  9.30am to 3pm - Indoor Soccer

Cost is $25 per day or any 3 days for $60, Family prices: 3rd child or more $15 per child Includes lunch (choices: Mini Pizza, 3 Party Pies, Meat Pie or Hot Dog with can of drink – Cola, Orange, Lemonade or Water) or $20 without lunch.

Register your child by either contacting the Sports Centre on 5754 1181 or by email mtbpool@alpineshire.vic.gov.au by Tuesday 2nd April, 2013

Easter Festival
Falls Creek
March 29th – April 1st

Kick off the school holidays at Falls Creek this Easter. A children’s fete will operate from Slalom plaza on Easter Saturday. A big BBQ Breakfast on Easter Sunday will be followed by the world famous huge Easter egg hunt and the egg-straordinary egg toss. With activities streaming over the whole weekend and weather looking great, you’re in for a real treat. Some notable activities are listed below:

- Segway Tours
- Bike Hire (book online)
- FREE Kids Club (2pm daily)
- FREE Family Movie (4.30pm daily)
- Yoga Class ($10)
- Children’s Fete (10am-1pm)
- Scenic Helicopter rides ($50)
- Mile High Tennis
- Summit chairlift rides
- Mt McKay Sunset Tours
- Busking tent

For more information please contact the Falls Creek Visitors Information Centre p. 03 5758 1202
Email. info@fallscreek.com.au
Website. www.fallscreek.com.au

Tawonga’s Easter Family Fun Day at Pioneer Park
Conducted by the Tawonga & District Community Association Inc.

When: Sunday 31st March 2013 – 4.00pm
Where: Tawonga Pioneer Park, Kiewa Valley Hwy, Tawonga.
Cost: Gold coin donation to help defray costs would be welcome. Thank you.
What to Bring: Chair, picnic basket, and games equipment (eg basketball).
Please Note: All children MUST be supervised by a responsible adult. Assistance to clean up afterwards would be appreciated.
More Info: Contact Trish Ryder at Old Tawonga Store; 57541 667