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

Emily Eyefinger Production
On Tuesday 3rd September the whole school will be travelling to Wangaratta to see the theatre production adapted from the book ‘Emily Eyefinger’. All classes have started reading the book this week and will complete some literacy activities in class prior to the show and as a follow up.

Many of our students will not have had the opportunity to see a live theatre production in a large theatre. It will also be a memorable day as the whole school will be attending this excursion together. For further details please see the permission form inserted into last weeks and this weeks newsletters.

Conrad and the students have been working hard with their drumming and percussion work. This will be a great opportunity for our students to be able to preform on a large stage in front of other schools and the community. A permission form will be sent out next week once final details have been confirmed.

On the Wednesday afternoon prior to the Arts Festival, Conrad will showcase with all classes a mini performance for families to watch. This will act as a final rehearsal for the upper grades.

Playgrounds Research
Inserted into this weeks newsletter is an article from RMIT University titled, ‘World-first research examines school playgrounds’. I thought that this was relevant in light of the work that has taken place with our school grounds Masterplan recently. A quote from the article - ‘Play settings and play equipment are as fundamental to children’s development as updated textbooks’.

Our Masterplan is available for viewing in the foyer of the school office. If you have any questions please do not hesitate to ask.

Kim Franzke
Principal

Arts Festival
Each year schools are invited to take part in the Wodonga Arts Festival which runs for a week. We have decided to take part this year and have been allocated Thursday 5th September at 11.30. Our Yr 2/3 and Yr 4/5/6 classes will be performing.

Arts Festival

2014 ENROLMENTS FORMS FOR KINDER AND SCHOOL AVAILABLE NOW
2014 Prep enrolments strongly encouraged to be in by the end of Term 3
Come dressed as a character from a book.

Students will be involved in multi age activities in the morning.

Parents invited to our parade from 9 - 9.20am.

Starting planning now for your costume idea.

NEXT MEETING—Parent Group will be meeting next Monday 12th August at the Old Tawonga Store after drop off at school. These meetings are informal and everyone is welcome to attend. We will be discussing the proposed Twilight Festival for term 4. If you would like more information please see Anne Stanmore.

This week we have had a reported cases of Head lice. Please continue to regularly check your children’s hair for Headlice and notify the office if you find any. We prefer students with long hair to have hair tied back to minimize the spread between students.
**SCOUT VICTORIA RAFFLE**

Scouts Victoria raffle books were issued to each family with last week’s newsletter. Raffle books and money are due back to school by Friday 30th August 2013. Remember that the school receives $1.50 for every ticket sold. Extra books are available at the office if anyone runs out and would like more. With our planning for the new playground coming along, this is a great and easy way of raising some money to put towards this structure. Remember there is a chance of winning 1 of 123 prizes. So get selling and good luck!!

**PRIVATE MUSIC LESSONS**

Conrad has vacancies for private lesson in Ukulele or instrumental instruments. These are for students, parents or community members. If you are interested these would be on a Wednesday and you would need to contact Conrad directly on 0400 821 250.

**LIBRARY BOOKS**

Thank you to Sonya Irving for all assistance in helping sort our non fiction books. We have bought new dividers which will assist everyone to be able to locate reference books with more ease.

**LEAF BLOWING IN SCHOOL**

Our Maintenance man Tad has gone on a well deserved holiday for a couple of weeks. In his absence the leaves and other mess in the yard will still need blowing. This job takes approx. 1/2 an hour a week. Please see Kim if you think you can assist with this small job.

**WINDCHEATERS & BEANIES**

As school council last night we discussed the possibility of adding a windcheater and a winter beanie to our uniform. At this time School Council decided that we have enough variety with our current uniform range that a windcheater would not be needed. In regards to hats we are asking parents to express their interest with Lisa in the office for these. If enough interest is given we may purchase some navy polar fleece beanies. They will be around $10 each with a school logo.

**SCHOOL COUNCIL TRAINING**

School Council Induction training—7.15pm to 9.30pm. The Cube Wodonga. If you are interested in attending please let Kim know by next Tuesday 13th August. We need to register numbers attending and places are limited.
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## REMINDERS

### OUTSTANDING SCHOOL FEES

If you have any outstanding school fees we would appreciate these being paid as soon as possible.

**EMILY EYEFINGER**

Permission forms and money can be returned to school.

## SCHOOL COUNCILLORS

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How to Submit Community News:

Articles can be sent to tawonga.ps@edumail.vic.gov.au by end of day Wednesday for inclusion in Community News.

Community News

Fresh Sausage & Beer Making!

Over 5 sessions you will be introduced to the secrets of sausage making and beer making. The made sausages are cooked during the course and are available for tasting.

Bookings Essential!

Price: $50 plus $30 ingredients = $80
• $5 MBNC M/ship if applicable

Date: Commencing Wednesdays 28th August 6.30pm to 9.00pm.
Bus available for pick up and drop off.
Venue: Sweet Water Brewery
Tutors: The Brewer and the Chef: Peter & Gavin
Bookings: Mount Beauty Neighbourhood Centre
Ph: 03 5754 1166
e: info@mountbeauty.org.au

Micro Business Management Course

Participants will be able to explore their own micro business idea as well as receive great resources and advice.

This course is a pathway to BSB30307 Certificate III in Micro Business Operations.

Doing this course will help:

• To develop an understanding of managing a micro business to a level where you have the confidence to develop your own business and to be able to experiment and self teach.

• To be aware of the pitfalls of starting a new business and prepare for entry into the NEIS scheme.

• To be able to use the computer as a tool for communication, information as well as resources and commerce.

After completion of the course you will have all the tools needed for your business including SWOT Analysis, Risk Analysis, Marketing Plan and much more for your business plan.

4 Sessions:
Date: Saturday 31st August 2013
Time: 10.00am- 3.00pm
Course Fee $21.60
Amenities $24.40
Manual $45.00

HELP THE HOPPET

Friday 23rd August, 9.30am-3pm in the Nordic Bowl.
Help needed to set up tents, fences, signs, etc.
Any help appreciated.
Contact Jim Gargan on hoppethelper@internode.on.net or 57541785
MOUNT BEAUTY SOCCER CLUB

Due to the last Gala Day being washed out our new date:

Mt. Beauty Soccer Club Gala Day this Saturday 10th August @ the football ground, all players to be at the ground by 9.30am for a 10am kickoff, Players will need football boots, black shorts, black socks & shin pads. Visiting clubs on the day will be Yackandandah, Bright & Myrtleford Soccer clubs.

All are welcome to come along and support the kids of Mt. Beauty Soccer Club

Parents: we will need helpers in the following areas: (anyone interested in baking a cake, it would be much appreciated) canteen, refereeing, setup & pack up (setup will consist of setting up goals, cones etc prior to 9.30am), BBQ cooking.

Please contact Andrea Moorman (Ph. 57545399) for canteen duties.
Ron Crawford for all other duties (Ph. 57544886)

DEDERANG MOUNT BEAUTY FOOTBALL AND NETBALL CLUB

Presents....

BLACK TIE BALL

Theme: The Great Gatsby Saturday 17th August
7pm start

Finger food provided

Drinks at bar prices DJ entertainment

Tickets $40 each

Strictly no BYO

Contact: Monica Hood
0416 237 434
Caroline Ozolins 02 60275 203

NOTICE FOR PARENTS WITH A CHILD IN YEAR 4, 5 OR 6

In 2001 the government introduced the “First Child Tax Offset”. This was one of the first types of baby bonuses introduced, but unlike today’s Baby Bonus Schemes it was not given much media exposure and was confusing. As a result many parents have missed out on claiming this entitlement.

The offset was introduced to compensate parents for reduced income that followed the arrival of a child born between 1 July 2001 and 30 June 2004. There is information on the ATO website, but like many entitlements it is difficult to understand.

The Tax office has now put a deadline on making a claim (this deadline has not been widely promoted), so we are attempting to let as many parents know about this before time runs out.

We would appreciate if you could help us spread the word including the flyer in your school’s newsletter and/or parent email list. Parents who contact us will be given further information on what their entitlements may be and how they can claim it. This information will be provided by us FREE of charge.

We understand that financially it is hard for parents with the continuous costs of raising children (uniform expense, school expense, outside sport activity costs, medical expenses etc.) and if parents are entitled to this money we believe they should receive it.

Once again, we would appreciate if you could help up let as many parents as possible know. We have had some outstanding results for parents and would like to spread the word throughout Australia. (Attached is the flyer is a PDF and JPEG format.)

If you would like any other information please do not hesitate to call 02 9524 2744 or email childoffset@twelve.com.au.