



Our Vision:

A meeting place where student's lifelong learning begins and grows into a sustainable future.

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 Families,

Welcome back to another school year. I hope you all had a safe and enjoyable holiday with your children. This year we have 6 Preps who have all had a great first day of school today with Ellen and myself.

Grace, Emily, Eddy, Ezra, Poppy and Charlotte



I would also like to welcome our other new students James Yr 1, Connor and Jayla Yr 2, Aidan and Alexander Yr 3, Jade and Roland Yr 5 and Ethan Yr 6. We look forward to getting to know you all over the coming weeks.

Our enrolments are up to 46 students which means we are able to offer 3 classes for the whole week, which is great news.

ASSEMBLY FRIDAY 3pm

I would like to welcome Mrs Karen Crumpler to our school who will be teaching Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Thursdays in the Yr 2/3 class. Mrs Crumpler is an experienced teacher who has worked at Mt Beauty and Falls Creek Primary Schools in the past.



Parent Group

Next Tuesday from 2.30 - 3.30pm parents are invited to an afternoon tea in the Multi Purpose Room. Our school in the past has had a very strong and active Parents Group and we would like to see this continue in 2016. Come along and meet other parents in a relaxed atmosphere before picking up your kids. Any further question please speak with Yvette Hind.

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James, Connor, Jayla, Aidan and Alex



Jade, Ethan and Roly



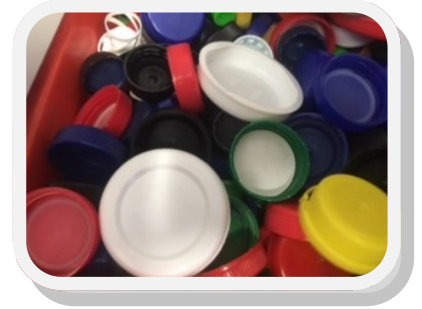
LUNCH ORDERS - 2016



Our 2016 Lunch order day will be FRIDAY. There will be no lunch orders on until swimming has finished. An updated price list will be sent out in the coming weeks.

LIDS - Please collect

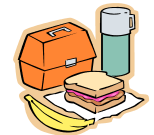
We are after some plastic lids for a Making Day project. If families could please start collecting them and leaving them in the container at the office. We are after lots of different colours.



LUNCH BOXES

Just a reminder to parents regarding the contents of lunchboxes. We ask that no chocolate or lollies are included. We recommend items such as fruit, yogurt, muesli bars and chopped vegetables and dips. We are aiming to focus on Healthy Eating at school. We also encourage a rubbish free lunch where possible. All students are encouraged to bring a fruit or veggie snack which they can eat at around 10am in class.

SWIMMING



Swimming will begin next Friday 5th February between 12pm and 2pm at the Mount Beauty Swimming Pool. There will be 4 lessons all on Fridays. Please ensure that the permission form and money for this are returned to the school office and places in the Red Box. Please note that our swimming lessons are an hour earlier than last year. If you plan to pick your child up from the pool please let your classroom teacher know. All students will travel by bus and need to bring sunscreen, a rash top, bathers and a towel. Swimming bags are available to purchase for \$10 at the office.



Just a reminder to families that during Term 1 and 4 students are required to wear a broad brimmed hat when outside.

Hats are available from the office for \$12. We also have a few second hand ones if required.

We also have a variety of second hand polo tops, jumpers, dresses and pants if anyone would like to take a look. They are located in the sick bay under the bed. There is no cost for these.

UNIFORMS

CODE RED DAYS

BARR school—Bushfire attack registry

On Designated Code Red Days the school will be closed including no bus travel. Our school emergency management plan was updated last year. We will be having a practise evacuation drill in the first few weeks. Please talk to your children about this further at home and ensure that your family has a bushfire plan.

Kim and Lisa will be checking individual emergency contact numbers with individual families to ensure that there are no errors or changes.



SCHOOL MORNINGS

How things go at home in the morning can set the tone for the day ahead. Children who arrive at school feeling calm, relaxed, fed and ready can make the most of the first few hours of the day. Children don't understand time in the same way as grown-ups. This can make school mornings a stressful time of day for families. Times pressures and competing demands can turn morning into a combat zone. Getting along in the morning at home will also help you. Research shows that fighting with children in the morning makes it harder for you to work well. It even increases the risk of you having an accident at work. Here are some ideas to take some of the pressure out of school mornings- even if things don't always go as smoothly!

The night before:

Try to find out the night before or even earlier if there is something special going on at school.

Prepare lunches and set the breakfast table ready for the morning rush.

Get your child to have a bath the night before, this means you won't have to worry about doing this in the morning.

You might know something is going to come up that could cause conflict (such as buying lunch or choosing which clothes to wear). Talk about it the night before when everybody has time and is less likely to be stressed.

Try to read the school newsletter and check bags for notes the night before. You could also try to prepare clothes, sign school notes and get schoolbags ready the night before.

In the morning:

Getting up and extra 15-30minutes earlier might help things run more smoothly. Also try to allow plenty of time to get from home to school. Rushing can really increase stress levels.

Good moods can be infectious- tackle the morning as positively and as optimistically as you can.

Mornings are easier if your children can do things for themselves. Once your children are old enough, getting dressed on their own, making their own breakfast and tidying up after themselves can all make things easier.

If your children are young, remind them what they are meant to be doing and when. Simple 'to do' checklists, even with picture's can help as a reminder.

Try to cut down on distractions- consider leaving the television off until everyone is ready.

Focus on the positives – 6 positives to 1 negative (look for positive behaviour)

Use surprises to celebrate cooperation- such as a treat in their lunch box or an extra story at bedtime.

http://raisingchildren.net.au/articles/school_morning_routines.html/context/591

BOOK COVERING

We are looking for someone to do some book covering for us. We have some lovely new books for the library waiting to be covered. If you have a little spare time to give please see Kim.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS:

JANUARY/FEBRUARY

MON	TUES	WED	THURS	FRI	SAT/SUN
			29	30 First Day of school for Preps	31/1Feb
2	3 Library Parent Group Afternoon Tea 2.30pm	4 No Preps	5	6 Swimming 12-2 No lunch orders	7/8
9	10 Art	11 No Preps	12	13 Swimming 12-2 No lunch orders	14/15
16	17 Library	18 No Preps Year 3-6 Swim Carnival Parent Teacher Meetings from 1pm	19	20 Swimming 12-2 No lunch orders	21/22
23	24 Art	25 No Preps	26	27 Swimming 12-2 No lunch orders	28/1Mar

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.

Scholastic Book Club - due 16th Feb

Please check bags for our beginning of year permission forms.

SCHOOL COUNCILLORS

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