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,

Week 1 has passed quickly with all classrooms getting organised and students learning the routines for the week. All students will have take home books to read in their reader covers and Year 1-6s have homework. Please assist your child to develop a routine at home also around completing their reading and homework and use the diaries to record reading.

Making Day
This will be held each Thursday with the whole school divided into multi age groups with senior students as leaders. Groups will rotate around cooking, gardening and making. Jo Macklan will be working as our kitchen garden assistant this year and each week will keep us updated.

Swimming
This starts tomorrow so please be prepared with swimming bags and permission form having been returned to school.

Flying Doctor Dental Clinic
On Monday the Royal Flying Doctor Dental Clinic will be visiting the school and kinder to provide FREE dental check ups to students whose families would like to access this service. Please see the attached flyer with permission forms and further information.

Yoga
Our Year 2-6 students will be taking part in a 6 week Yoga program with Bill Walsh starting on Monday afternoon. Each session will run for 45 minutes. The focus will be around developing a tool box of techniques to assist students understanding of themselves and how to deal with life’s ups and downs. Thank you to Parents Group who has agreed to fund part of this program.

Book Covering
Thank you to Leanne Bower and Anne Stanmore who have kindly offered to do some book covering for us.

SCHOOL COUNCIL - Notice of Election and Call for Nominations

Nomination forms for both nomination and self nomination are available at the office. Nominations, including self-nominations open today. Being a school council member is a great way for parents to become involved in school affairs, and I would recommend you give it some thought. Tawonga Primary School Council for 2016 will consist of 6 parents, 2 Department Reps and 1 community member.

Nomination forms are available at the school office and must be lodged by 4.00 pm on 26/02/2016. Please lodge in Red Box in School Office. If the number of nominations received exceeds the number of vacancy then a ballot will take place. The ballot will close at 4.00 pm on 11/03/2016.

Following the closing of nominations a list of the nominations received will be posted at the school. The terms of office, membership categories and number of positions in each membership category open for election are as follows:

MEMBERSHIP CATEGORY, TERM OF OFFICE, NUMBER OF POSITIONS

The following positions are vacant
3 x 2 year vacancies plus 1 x 1 year vacancy
1 x Department Rep to be filled.
1 x Community Rep.

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

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.

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 will begin this 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 placed in the Red Box if not already done so. 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.

New Skorts have arrived ranging from size 4-12.
These are the sports style and are available now for $15.00.
New hats have also arrived. These are $12.00 and available at the office.
Please see Lisa for any uniform enquiries.

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.

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Yoga with Bill

One of the great benefits of yoga for children is the building of self confidence. Balancing in postures and modifications to build a sense of achievement and a feeling of success through mindful movement, can really improve one’s sense of self awareness. There are numerous benefits from doing yoga. From a sense of calmness through exercise and slow breathing, to a stronger immune system through basic meditative techniques (simply taking time out to observe the thoughts). Each week’s lesson will build on the previous week aiming to give each child a ‘tool box’ for life’s up and downs.

Bill Walsh

Mt Beauty School’s Band Program

Applications are now open for the 2016 Band Program for Year 4 students and up. Forms and information have been sent home with students but if for some reason they haven’t made it, please contact Jarrod Policha at Mt Beauty Secondary College on (03) 5754 4005 for replacements. Applications close on the 12th of February and places are limited.

Existing Students: Lessons begin on Tuesday 9th of Feb at 2:00. See you then

Bounce Back

In Bounce Back in 4/5/6 we have been having regular morning Circle Time to discuss our quote of the week, “Spoken words can’t be erased. Think before you speak.” Students have been self-assessing and reflecting on their words and actions, both in the classroom and out in the yard. They are aiming to be kind to all and look for opportunities where they can actively be kind to all other students at the school. I encourage you to talk to your children about this to reinforce this message in their minds as we settle into new classrooms, with new classmates and new friendship groups.

Liz Watson

Kitchen Garden Update

We had our first cooking session this week with students using the beautiful tomatoes from our garden to make bruschetta. During the term we will plan to have each group make savoury and sweet items and develop their literacy and numeracy skills while using recipes.

If you have excess produce in your gardens at home please speak to Jo as we may be able to use in our cooking sessions.

Jo Macklan
SWIMMING SPORTS YEARS 3-6
WEDNESDAY 17TH FEBRUARY

**Time:** The first event will be underway at 9.30, so we are asking everyone to arrive by 9am. School bus travellers will stay on the buses and be met by a teacher at the Mount Beauty end. These students will also travel home on the buses if parents are not present to pick them up. Non bus travellers will need to be dropped off and picked up from the pool. We encourage all parents to stay and participate in the day if possible.

**Dress:** Be sure to dress up in your house colours. Start with a tee-shirt of the right colour, and add ribbons, bands, pants, anything really! We will be making special hats at school.

Please ensure that the following items are brought to the swimming sports to ensure you are protected if the weather is cool (check the forecast.)

- School Polar Fleece, Tracksuit bottom or pants, socks and track shoes
- Along with the usual:
  - Towel, bathers
  - Goggles
  - Sun Top
  - Sunscreen
  - Sun Hat
  - Drink
  - Healthy Snacks and Lunch

We ask that students do not bring any money on the day.

**Please note:** Students being picked up from the pool, should be picked up by 3.15pm at the latest, otherwise students will be put on bus to go back to school and then placed in OSHC.

**PLEASE NOTE:** The divisional (zone) swimming sports will be held on Friday 26th February in Albury. Entries for this day will be entered by the Cluster the week before. If you are interested in your child taking part please discuss this with Kim ASAP. Parents will be required to transport and supervise students on this day. Students need to be able to competently swim 50 metres.

**HELPERS NEEDED:** Parent helpers are required on the day of the sports. If anyone is able to lend a hand on the day it would be much appreciated.

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## 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

**Permission Forms**—Please return all permission forms and monies required for swimming and making day ASAP. Excursion medicals and permissions are also required as soon as possible.

## SCHOOL COUNCILLORS

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**Community News**

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**Tawonga Anglican Church**

**PANCAKE NIGHT**

Tawonga Hall
Tuesday 9th February
6.00pm.
$12 Per Person
$6 Primary Schoolers
Pre Schoolers—FREE

**ALL WELCOME**

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**EUKELE LESSONS**

Private Eukele lessons are available to students on Wednesdays with Conrad Forrer.

For all enquiries and further information please call Conrad on 0400 821 250.

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**ALPINE MOTORCYCLE CLUB ....**

Would like to invite you to a FREE come & try day at the Clubs Motocross track.

(Morrison's Lane, Myrtleford)
Saturday 27th February 9am to 3pm.

Join our club and receive a free motorcycling Victoria recreational or mini licence valued at $105.

(valid only if you have never held a motorcycling Victoria recreational, mini or competition licence)

To Book your spot or for more information contact Paula Miotto on 0438 613 626

**ALL AGES WELCOME.**

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**MOUNT BEAUTY SOCCER CLUB**

Looking for players for ages U10 through to U18 to play in:

Boys FC Soccer Tournament in Bendigo March 19th & 20th.

Girls FC Soccer Tournament in Melbourne April 2nd & 3rd (middle weekend of school holidays)

Contact Andrea Moorman kamoorman@bigpond.com or 57545399.

Ron Crawford csigns01@bigpond.net.au

For more information and to register interest by Friday 12th March.