**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.

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**Message from the Principal:**

Dear Parents,

**Parent / Teacher Meetings**

Yesterday afternoon was set aside to meet with parents and discuss the individual learning needs of each student. Teachers have developed an individual learning plan for each student and a copy of these will be sent home. If you were unable to make it please make a time to catch up with your child’s teacher as soon as is convenient.

If at any time during the year you would like to discuss your child’s progress or any issue which may arise we ask that you make a time with the teacher. Catching us first thing in the morning or last thing at the end of the day is ok for a quick chat but if you would like to talk further please make an appointment.

**Personal Good Bought to School**

Personal property is often brought to school by students, parents and visitors. This can include phones, toys, instruments and sporting equipment. The Department of Education does not hold insurance for such items and it has no capacity to pay for any loss or damage to such property. Students should be discouraged from bringing any unnecessary or valuable items to school.

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**Cluster Swimming Sports**

Congratulations to all our students who competed in the swimming sports on Monday. We had great weather and lots of smiling faces. Everyone put in a great effort. A special mention to Lachlan Stripeikis who qualifies for the Upper Hume Division Sports in freestyle and breaststroke.

Kim Franzke

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**Twilight Sports & Picnic**

Monday 23rd Feb - 5-7pm

All welcome Meat and bread provided by Parents Group

Please bring a salad or dessert to share. BYO drinks (no alcohol please).

The students will be cooking and preparing some food with our school grown produce during the day on Monday. If you can lend a hand please speak with your child’s teacher. This will be a great way for us to welcome our new families and to enjoy our wonderful small school community. Sports to 3 legged race, giant parachute and novelty races etc.

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Kim Franzke
Principal

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HEADLICE

Headlice will no doubt be doing the rounds again if we are not all being vigilant and checking hair regularly. If you notice headlice in your child’s hair please notify us in the office so that we can put a friendly reminder out to all families. We ask parents to check children’s hair and treat if appropriate. If parents are unsure at what they are looking for we are able to make an inspection at school. Please let Kim know if you wish for this to happen. Students are not permitted to attend school if they have head lice until a treatment has

Notice of Election and Call for Nominations (FROM LAST WEEKS NEWSLETTER)

You will find in this newsletter nomination forms for school council. 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 2015 will consist of 6 parents, 2 Department Reps and 1 community member.

Nomination forms are included in this newsletter and must be lodged by 4.00 pm on 27/02/2015. 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 12/03/2015.

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

2 x 1 year vacancies (these have been created due to parents leaving the school)

1 x Department Rep (This will be filled by Nicholas Wright)

The positions that remained filled include

Yvette Hind - parent rep, who has 1 year left to serve

Jane Zagorski - Community Rep

Nominations forms in last weeks newsletter or available at the office.

UNIFORM CUPBOARD

Lisa is looking for someone who can spare an hour or so to do a stocktake of the uniform cupboard. If you are able to assist please see Lisa in the office on either Tuesday or Thursday.

BOUNCE BACK

In the Prep-2 room we have been looking at the value of ‘fairness’. We discussed that being fair means taking turns, being able to stick to the rules in games and sharing. We listened to the story of the Little Red Hen and then made paper-plate puppets and acted out the stories. All the other animals were being unfair to the little red hen and she stood up to them.

This week we also talked about ‘being friendly’ and being a good friend. We have drawn some lovely pictures of our friends and we have discussed what qualities a good friend has.

Circle time, discussions, drawing and drama are all used to tackle these huge values and the kids are working very well during these sessions.

Ellen Gorham
Out of School Hours Care

We encourage all our families to be registered with the Out of School Hours Care program. Enrolment forms are available at the office. Our main reason for wanting all families to be registered is that you do not know when one day you may have an emergency where you need to use the service at short notice. If you are running late for pick up then your child will be placed into care from 3.45pm. Also if you choose to drop off before 8.45 they will also be placed into care. We have many families who use the service on a regular basis and feedback from the children is that they love it.

Further questions regarding this service can be made to Kath Lewinson the manager on 0418 399 861.

AVACS—Alpine Valleys Austim Group

Are you a parent, grandparent or carer of a child with an Autism Spectrum Disorder?
(of any level)

There are many challenges that come our way while on the journey raising a child on the spectrum. Sometimes it’s helpful to have the opportunity to share and discuss these challenges with other parents on a similar journey.

We are parents who have organised a group for this very purpose for families within the Alpine Shire and surrounding area’s.

We welcome all families with children on the spectrum whether diagnosed or undiagnosed to join us, in a relaxed and casual get together:

WHEN: FRIDAY 20th FEBRUARY
TIME: 1PM
WHERE: MYRTLEFORD LIBRARY, Meeting Room

If you want to find out more, or speak to us about coming, please feel free to call
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It was great to see lots of parents at the swimming sports cheering on our kids.
## CALENDAR OF EVENTS: FEBRUARY/MARCH

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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.

Tiqbiz—School App. Find out information quickly with this easy to use app. Please see Lisa for instructions on how to upload onto phone, IPad, computer etc.

## SCHOOL COUNCILLORS

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<td>03 57541 192</td>
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Celebrate International Women’s Day at the Ivory Rooms on Friday March 6

Women from the Upper Kiewa Valley are invited to get together on Friday March 6 to celebrate the 24th International Women’s Day at a luncheon at the Ivory Rooms in Tawonga. This will be the inaugural International Women’s Day event in the Kiewa Valley so we are hoping that as many women as possible are able to come and celebrate this special day.

The theme for 2015 is “Make it Happen” and women attending the luncheon will hear guest speaker Jan Hastings from the Zonta Club of Albury/Wodonga talk about the work of Zonta Clubs worldwide in assisting women in Third World countries have a better birth experience.

The lunch will be held between 12.00 and 2.00 pm and has been sponsored by the Rotary Club of Mt Beauty. It will cost $25 a head and includes a complementary glass of champagne or non-alcoholic drink on arrival. Spaces are limited to 60 so early booking is essential. Tickets are being sold at Sassy Road, Tawonga South Post Office and the Old Tawonga store up until Friday 27th February.

For further information contact Helen McDougall at hnmcd@bigpond.com or 0419 541 011.

" WE NEED TENNIS PLAYERS....

Tawonga Tennis Club plays social tennis on Tuesday mornings (8am in summer and 9am in winter) at the courts opposite the Tawonga store. There is a low annual fee but no on-going costs. You just need a tennis racket. If we don’t get more players the Club is likely to fold and the courts will not be available to the public or the community. For more information, contact secretary Trish on 0422 049 207."

Annual General Meeting
for the Mt Beauty Basketball Association
To be held on Wednesday 11 March 2015
At 6pm
Mt Beauty Sports Stadium
All positions are open
All members, parents, community members are welcome to attend
contact Helen Mathew 0419 399737

Thursday, 5th March, 7.30pm –
Auditorium@information centre, Mt.Bea
All members of the Kiewa Valley community are invited to attend the 2015 Community Forum. MP, Bill Tilley, Alpine Shire Council CEO, Dave Barry and Councillors will be in attendance to address your questions.
You will have the opportunity to ask questions of the speakers and to express your ideas about our community. The UKVCA looks forward to welcoming all members of the community. Please let your friends know about the Forum.
If you have not subscribed to our website - www.ukvcommunity.org.au - please do so to avoid missing out on these notices in future. It takes someone several hours to collect the emails and send you notification.
Members of the community are invited to help celebrate:
Our New School Name – Outdoor School
The opening of the Kiewa Discovery Centre
The opening of the Ian Ryan Animal Education Centre
Our 5 star sustainability accreditation.

Wednesday 18th March 2015 at 12.30pm
There will be an acknowledgement of our new school name and official opening of our new facilities. This will be followed by a light lunch with the students and tour of the new facilities.

PLEASE RSVP by 6th March 2015
Lucy Vardy | Teacher
Outdoor School Bogong
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w: www.boec.vic.edu.au

Members of the community are invited to help celebrate:
Our New School Name – Outdoor School
Friday 20th March 2015 at 11.00am
There will be an unveiling of our new school name. Meet and greet our principal and staff. This will be followed by a morning tea with the students and opportunity to explore and enjoy the developments of the educational facility and grounds.

PLEASE RSVP by 6th March 2015
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