



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,

Fun Run (Cross Country)

Tomorrow Tawonga Primary School hosts the annual Cluster Fun Run (cross country) in the paddock behind the school. We would really appreciate parent helpers to assist to make the day run smoothly. On Friday we will require assistance with cooking and serving meal deals, timekeeping and marshalling. Many hands will make light work. If students have a yellow school top we encourage them to wear it as it helps us to stand out.

ANZAC DAY Service in Mt Beauty

It would be great to see as many students in school uniform at the ANZAC Day service in Mt Beauty at 11am on Monday 25th April. We will get student representatives from Yr 5&6 to lay a wreath which the students will be making themselves.

Gallipoli Oak Commemoration Ceremony

On Tuesday morning at 9am we will be having a short planting ceremony of our Gallipoli Oak tree. A representative from our local RSL branch will be in attendance. We encourage parents to stay. A number of students will have a role in the ceremony with readings and planting of the tree.

Music Festival BBQ Fundraiser

Each year our school runs a food stall at the Music Festival. This year we are rostered for Sunday 1st May and will require help throughout the day. This is one of our main fundraising events for the year and we hope that every family who is available can help out for a time during the event. Every little bit of help would



The Year 4/6 boys enjoyed themselves on Wednesday afternoon playing tennis with a focus on building team work, turn taking and patience. Thanks to Mr Flower and Tad who joined us. We will be heading back again next week.

No Assembly FRIDAY

No School Monday due to ANZAC DAY

Woody's World Music Festival Excursion

Next Friday the whole school will be travelling by Falls Creek Coach to the Mount Beauty Community Centre for a performance organised for us by the Music Festival Committee. We will be leaving school at 9.30 and returning at approximately 2pm. There will be no lunch orders. The \$5 entry cost and bus will be covered as part of the local excursion component of our school fees.

Headlice

We have had a reported headlice case this week at school. We ask that parents take the time to check their child's hair for any signs of eggs. Attached to this newsletter is an information sheet with information on this subject. If anyone is unsure what they are looking for please feel free to ask at school. Sometimes these are difficult to see in certain hair colours.

Hygiene

We have noticed recently that when some students are going to the toilet that they are not always flushing the toilet and washing their hands. All the toilets have soap. Could parents please reinforce this message at home.

Dogs

Parents are asked to not bring dogs into school even if they are on a lead. Also if dogs are tied up outside the school grounds, we ask that this occurs away from the entry gates.

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NAPLAN—National Assessment Program

The National Assessment Program—Literacy and Numeracy (NAPLAN) 2016 for Years 3, 5, 7 and 9 students will be held on Tuesday 10 May, Wednesday 11 May and Thursday 12 May 2016. NAPLAN tests assess student knowledge and skills in Writing, Reading, Language Conventions (spelling, grammar and punctuation) and Numeracy.

The results of the tests provide information for students, parents, teachers and Principals which can be used to improve student achievement.

All students are expected to participate in the NAPLAN tests. During test week, catch-up tests will be available for individual students who are absent on test days. These students may undertake catch-up tests on the days in the test week after the scheduled test, up to and including Friday 13 May 2016.

Support can be arranged for students with disabilities, if the student regularly uses similar support for classroom assessment tasks.

Students may be withdrawn from NAPLAN by their parent or carer. This is a matter for consideration by parents and carers in consultation with the principal. If, after consultation, you decide to withdraw your child, you must sign a Student Withdrawal form. These forms are available at the school.

Later in the year you will receive your child's personal NAPLAN report. The report will describe your child's particular skills in Reading, Writing, Language Conventions (spelling, grammar and punctuation) and Numeracy. The report will also show how your child performed in relation to national minimum standards. These describe the minimum acceptable standards for students across Australia.

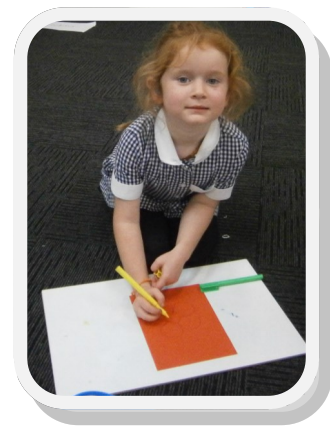
We are confident that the information you receive as a result of your child's participation in the NAPLAN tests will be valuable in helping you to assess your child's progress in literacy and numeracy.

For more information about the tests, please visit the VCAA website at www.vcaa.vic.edu.au or the NAP website at www.nap.edu.au.

Making Day

As ANZAC Day is on Monday the cooking group made lovely ANZAC biscuits to share. Students had a try at measuring their own ingredients. We also have plans to use some of the delicious pumpkins in the coming weeks that were picked from the school garden.

The gardening and building groups, keeping in theme with ANZAC day, made poppies for the students which will be on display for the planting of our Gallipoli Oak next week.



Cluster Fun Run (Cross Country)

Children from Mt Beauty, Falls Creek, Dederang and Tawonga Primary Schools will come together to take part in the Upper Kiewa Valley Cluster Fun Run (Cross Country) event on Friday 22nd April. The course, which the children can **walk or run**, is graded according to age. Your child can choose to be competitive or enjoy a stroll and the sights as befits their level of fitness and interest. The main aim is participation. Older students that perform well will be able to represent the Cluster at the Division Cross Country event to be held in Wodonga later in the ter.

10.15am Children from Mt Beauty, Falls Creek and Dederang arrive at Tawonga. Social playtime with all schools.

10.45am approx. – Marshalling and instructions for the Fun Event. Staggered starting of the events in the following order: 12 year olds, 11 year olds, 10 year olds, 8/9 year olds, then Year 2's, Year 1's and Preps.

12.45 onwards – Lunch (Sausage Sizzle Meal Deal or bring your own). Presentations.

Completion at 2.00pm.

CHILDREN SHOULD BRING THE FOLLOWING:

Drink bottle

Wear a Gold Tawonga PS polo shirt

Hat

A warm jumper

Morning Snack

Running gear and shoes and change of socks (grass may be wet).

Bring own lunch if not ordering a meal deal

Asthma puffer (if appropriate).

A Big Smile!!

Please note: Any child with a medical condition preventing them from taking part should bring a note from their parents.

MEAL DEALS ARE DUE BACK AT SCHOOL BY NEXT WEDNESDAY 20th April. Please write your order on a brown paper bag with money enclosed just like for a lunch order.

1 SAUSAGE, 1 DRINK, 1 ICY POLE \$6.00. ANY EXTRAS OF ANY ITEMS ARE \$2 EACH

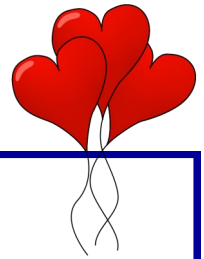
FUN RUN VOLUNTEERS

As there is quite a bit involved in the setting up of the Fun Run we are asking for any volunteers who may be able to assist on the Wednesday morning from 9-11am with marking out the course. If you are able to attend any time during the day please return this slip with your available time. We will also require assistance on the Friday with timekeeping, marshalling, BBQ etc.

I _____ am able to assist with the Fun Run on Friday 22nd April.



Mothers Day Lunch



At Tawonga Primary School our Parent Group put on each year something special for our mums/ grandmothers for Mothers Day. This year we be holding a Luncheon on Friday 6th May starting at 1pm.

If any mums, nans, grandmothers would like to attend please return the below slip with your choice of main meal by Wednesday 4th May.

Name: _____ No. attending _____

Entrée:

Pumpkin Soup.

Main:

Ricotta & Spinach Filo _____ or Honey Balsamic Chicken _____ (please indicate number)

(Both mains are served with roast vegetables and salad).

Dessert:

Shortbread and coffee.

Parent Group

Mt Beauty Music Festival BBQ is being manned by Tawonga Primary School on Sunday 1st May. We will require helpers for this event and ask that if you are able to spare a couple of hours it would be appreciated. Please return the following slip with an indication of time available if you are able to help.

We will be holding a Parent Group meeting at Tawonga Store on Tuesday 26th April for any parents who would like to attend.

HELPERS STILL REQUIRED FOR ALL TIME IF PARENTS ARE ABLE TO ASSIST.

MUSIC FESTIVAL HELPERS

I, _____ am able to help with the Music Festival BBQ at the time indicated below.

7am to 10am _____ 10am to 1pm _____ 12pm to 3pm _____



CALENDAR OF EVENTS:

APRIL

MON	TUES	WED	THURS	FRI	SAT/SUN
			21 School Banking	22 Cluster Cross Country (Fun Run) at TPS Meal Deal	23/24
25 ANZAC Day No School Service 11am in MtB	26 Library Gallipoli Oak Planting Ceremony 9am Parent Group Meeting 9.30am at	27	28 School Banking	29 NO Lunch orders Excursion to MBPS Woody's World 9.30 -2 Book Club Orders Due back	30/1 MAY Music Festival BBQ Sunday.
2	3 Art	4 School Council Meeting 5.30pm	5 School Banking	6 Mothers Day Luncheon. (See Pg 4 for info).	7/8
9	10 Library NAPLAN Yr 3 & 5	11 NAPLAN Yr 3 & 5	12 NAPLAN Yr 3 & 5 NO SCHOOL BANK THIS WEEK.	13	14/15
16	17 Art	18	19 School Banking	20	21/22

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.

ANZAC Day—Monday 25th April. No school this day.

Pupil Free Day - Tuesday 21st June

SCHOOL COUNCILLORS

President	Mark Lucey 0417 056 228 lucey.mark.g@edumail.vic.gov.au
Vice President	Yvette Hind 0417 387 112
Buildings & Grounds	Yvette Hind 0417 387 112
Other Councillors	Graham Boote, Michelle Niedzwiedzki, Janet Kay, Andrew Macklan, Jane Zagorski (community Rep)



Community News



BIRKEBEINER NORDIC SKI CLUB JUNIOR XC SKI DEVELOPMENT CAMP 2016

Saturday 9th – Sunday 10th July

This camp is for YOU if you are in year 5 to year 8 and want to:

- ❖ learn to XC Ski
- ❖ improve your skiing to ski smoother and faster
- ❖ pick up some tips for the Joey Hoppet!
- ❖ have some fun in the school holidays with other Birkie juniors

The cost will be \$50 (non members \$75, includes \$25 junior m'ship fee to BNSC)

Application forms are available on club website www.birkebeiner.org.au (programs/Junior camp)

For more information please contact Michelle (mishforrer@gmail.com/0417206672)

Host an exchange student this July and show off your backyard!

Volunteer to host an overseas exchange student this July and open a world of new experiences for your family. WEP overseas exchange students are wonderful role models for young Australians. The personal rewards and friendships that come from hosting often endure for generations.

Three-time host mum, Di, says, "Hosting has made our children more patient and understanding in their personal relationships. It has opened up their world and inspired them! Being a volunteer host family has brought us closer together and I think it may have something to do with our overall happiness and wholeness as a family!"

All exchange students undergo a rigorous application process. Students attend school full-time, are fully insured and have their own spending money to cover personal expenses.

If you're interested in finding out more, please contact us as soon as possible. To request an information pack, head to our website, www.wep.org.au, email info@wep.org.au or call 1300 884 733 to speak to our friendly hosting team!

HEAD LICE: INFORMATION, TREATMENT AND CONTROLLING.

PARENT

FACT SHEET

WHAT ARE HEAD LICE?

Head lice are tiny (2-3mm long) wingless insects that can attach to a person's hair, where it feeds on extremely small amounts of blood drawn from the scalp. Lice aren't dangerous and they don't spread disease.

Lice eggs (nits) are seen more commonly than lice in children's hair.

Signs and Symptoms.

- Severe itching of the scalp
- Nits (tiny oval specks of greyish white or yellow white on the hair shaft)
- Lice (reddish brown tiny insects on the hair shaft)
- Sometimes there are no signs or symptoms.

What can we do?

Check your child's hair regularly, particularly behind the ears and at the base of the skull. If you see lice or eggs (nits) your child should be treated. Suitable preparations can be purchased at your local pharmacy.

Check the rest of the household for head lice and only treat **if they are detected**. Treat everyone affected on the same day.

A way to help detect lice is to use conditioner on dry brushed hair, comb it through then wipe the comb onto a paper towel or tissue, look on the tissue and the comb for lice or eggs. Conditioner stuns lice for 20 minutes which allows you to comb thoroughly through the hair.

Prevention.

- Avoid head to head contact.
- Don't share brushes, combs or hats.
- Discourage children from playing with each other's hair.
- Keep long hair tied back or plaited.
- Check hair regularly, children and adults.

Is a Second Treatment Necessary?

In almost all cases a second treatment is needed as no head lice treatment kills 100% of the eggs.

You must repeat treatment on day 7 with the same

product. If lice are found at the second treatment and they are killed by this treatment, you must then re-treat within 7 days or use the comb and conditioner method to check for lice.

Helpful Hints

- Do not use a conditioner on hair before or after treatment.
- Do not blow dry hair after treatment as the heat may inactivate the treatment.
- Do not wash the hair for one or two days after the treatment.

. When Treatment Does Not Work

This can be caused by:

- Not using the treatment exactly as the directions say.
- Not repeating the treatment after 7 days.
- You may have caught head lice again from someone else.