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,

NAPLAN
Congratulations to our Year 3 and 5 students who completed NAPLAN testing this week with a positive attitude. I think secretly some of them even enjoyed it. Results will be available to parents in Term 3.

Annual Report
A copy of our Annual Report is available at the school office if anyone would like a copy. Our 4 year averages show that our students are performing in all areas on the higher side of average when compared to other students in Victoria. Tawonga Primary School has had a long history of academic high performance with this recent data confirming this trend. This success I believe is largely due to the strong partnerships we strive to maintain between home and school as well as our ability within our small school setting to understand and personalise our teaching and learning programs to meet student needs.

Dancing
This term the students have been learning new dances as a whole school each Monday with a bush dance focus. We have also been learning some well known Australian songs.

Next Monday for 3 weeks we will have Miss Tara joining us to teach the students Hip Hop. The students were very excited to when we told them this week.

Mothers Day Lunch
Thank you to Tammy, Leanne and Anne and all the other helpers for the yummy lunch last week. It was great to see so many mums, grandmothers and special friends join us. The students did an excellent job singing 'I am Australian' and learning sign language for the chorus.

Kim Franzke
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Making Day

Our gardening group today weeded and spread mulch on our Memorial Garden near our front entrance. They also planted bulbs which will look lovely in spring. They checked our new rain gauge which showed we have had 135mm of rain since last Thursday. The making group continued work on our mural and continued sawing timber to make picture frames. The cooking group made yummy pumpkin, zucchini and ricotta fillos.

Walk (or ride) Safely to School Day - Friday 20th May

Why it’s good to walk to School?

It’s fun – you can meet friends and see things you would miss in a car

It’s good for the environment

It’s a healthier alternative than driving

How does walking to school help the environment?

Cars are responsible for nearly one fifth of household greenhouse gas emissions

Walking just half a km every day to school saves about 500kg of greenhouse pollution every year

Half of all car journeys are only 2 km – how close to school do you live?

Parenting Tips

Parenting Tips will be featuring each week in our newsletter and aims to give parents some support and ideas from experts in the field. After our last school council meeting we discussed ways we could better support families with the challenging job of being a parent. Each week we will focus on different aspects of children’s lives that are either topical at the time, or that we think are important to families and children.

This weeks article is by Michael Grose titled, ‘3 Must Watch Tips to Take Away Frustration and Get Co-operation’. Michael is the author of 9 parenting books, including Thriving! and the best-selling Why First Borns Rule the World and Last Borns Want to Change it. His popular parenting columns appear in newspapers and magazines across Australia. He appears regularly on television including Channel 10’s The Project, and is a popular & entertaining speaker. Michael has an education background and holds a Master of Educational Studies with research into what makes healthy families tick. He has conducted over 1,500 parenting seminars over the last two decades.

Parent Library located at the office. Please feel free to browse the resources. If you would like to borrow something please let Lisa know.
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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.

Pupil Free Day - Tuesday 21st June

Year 3/6 Ski Forms and Money - Check you have all the clothing and return forms by Wednesday 22nd June

**SCHOOL COUNCILLORS**

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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’strip fee to BNSC)
Application forms are available on club website www.birkebeiner.org.au (programs/junior camp)
For more information please contact Michelle (mishferrer@gmail.com/0417206672)

Mt Beauty Half Marathon
Saturday 21st May
21km, 10km & 3km events
Great prizes
Starting at 10.00 – 10.10 am
Mt Beauty Secondary College
Limited late entries on the day from 8am to 9am
at Mt Beauty Pool Complex
($10 late entry fee)
REGISTER ONLINE AT www.mtbeauty.com/mt-beauty-half-marathon

MYRTLEFORD GIRLS ONLY GALA DAY
SATURDAY 28TH MAY 2016 10-2 SAVOY PARK
This is a free event and open to all girls aged 5-14yoa
Entries open to individuals or teams.
U7: 4v4
U9: 7v7
U11 & U14: 9v9
For all enquiries or to register, please email your child’s name,
age and residing town to Football Federation Victoria,
Zone Development Officer, Atila Kerestes:
akerestes@ffv.org.au
Mob: 0428 574 423

SCHOOL BAND REHEARSALS

There will be no after-school rehearsals next week (May 16 - 20) due to the Mt Beauty Secondary College school play. All in-school lessons will still run as usual. Beginner Band will commence the following Wednesday the 25th at 3:30pm. Thanks, JP.