**Our Vision:**
A meeting place where student’s lifelong learning begins and grows into a sustainable future.

**Message from the Principal:**

Dear Families,

**Resources Smart Schools**

Last Wednesday Karen, Lisa and I spent half a day working through modules and planning for future work for us to progress through the Sustainability Victoria Resource Smart School Program. This program will help us identify where savings can be made across all areas of operation at school with water, energy and waste. A key component is involving students in the learning process. We have added a new page to our website where we will add stories about our progress.

If any parents are interested in assisting with this initiative please get in contact with myself. More information is available on the following page.

We have been working through modules since March 2015 and to date we are making excellent progress towards becoming a 5 star school.

**Kinder / Prep Transition Program**

Our Term 3 initial transition visit is not far aware. On this day Lakeview and Tawonga 4 year old Kinder students and any other children starting school in 2017 are invited to take part in activities at Tawonga PS.

Enrolment packs are available at the office for new families wishing to enrol in 2017. As a cluster all services strongly encourage families to make an informed decision about which school to send their child to. Enrolment forms are due to Schools by the end of Term 3 to allow adequate time for planning and to allow children time to be a part of the chosen schools formal transition program in Term 4.

**Wet weather**

We have had a wild week of weather with it snowing at school last week. Our dry gully is not dry any more with a steady flow of water running through the school grounds.

While we do our best to keep your children clean and dry at time there are accidents. Please put a change of pants in your child’s bag in case of accidents. We have a limited supply of spares.

**Year 5 Leadership Camp**

Roly and Sienna will be representing our school next week at the Network Year 5 annual Leadership Camp at 15 Mile Creek near Benalla. This will be an excellent opportunity for them to mix with other students and to explore and develop their own leadership skills.

**Year 5/6 Anglesea Beach Camp**

The last week of this term will see our Year 5/6s heading off for a 5 day camp to Anglesea. This is an adventure camp with surfing, horse riding, canoeing and beach exploration.

**Parent Teacher Meetings**

It was great to see most of our parents last Wednesday afternoon for our mid year Parent Teacher meetings. If you were unable to make it please contact the classroom teachers to make a suitable time.

Kim Franzke   PRINCIPAL
Every day, thousands of students are learning how to live more sustainably and take action on climate change through Resource Smart Schools. Resource Smart Schools helps teachers, school administrators and parents embed sustainability into everything they do: school operations, curriculum and community engagement. Victorian schools are among the most sustainable in Australia. In 2015 Resource Smart Schools saved $2.7 million by reducing their energy and water consumption, and by generating less waste.

The Victorian Government committed $1 million to continue the delivery of Resource Smart Schools in 2015-16. In the 2016 State Budget the Victorian Government committed to the delivery of Resource Smart Schools across Victoria in 2016-17. Resource Smart Schools is a key component of the Victorian Government’s commitment to help all Victorian’s take action on climate change. This commitment enables regional delivery partners and networks to continue to support schools to reduce energy, waste and water usage, and to better understand and take action on climate change.

Resource Smart Schools is managed by Sustainability Victoria and delivered via a network of local environmental educator and agencies operating across Victoria.

Skiing Program Reminders

We have completed 2 days of our ski program with great attitudes and persistence from all students.

Our downhill skiers have finished and will join the cross country group for the remaining 2 days.

We have had 2 very different weather days and are hopeful of a nice sunny and calm day in one of our remaining days.

Our ski program teachers students more than just how to ski. Last weeks cross country group had a good discussion about how snow and rain is formed and the effects on the snow when it rains and freezes. They also talked about the importance of staying close together if the visibility deteriorates.

The students have learnt a lot of skills and have shown great encouragement for each other.

Head lice

Please keep checking your children’s hair for head lice. We have had reports of 6 kids who have had lice. We collectively need to get on top of this.

If head lice is found Department policy states that children need to be excluded from school until treatment takes place.
## CALENDAR OF EVENTS: JULY/AUGUST

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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.

**Skiing** - We ask parents to download the Tiqbiz app on their electronic device so we can communicate cancelled skiing days. Ensure you tick the Skiing Program box. Otherwise check our Facebook page.

### SCHOOL COUNCILLORS

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Save on your winter energy costs by making a few small changes around your home.

- Heating uses the most energy in most households. Reduce your energy bill by minimising the: space you heat, time you heat for and temperature setting on your heater.

- Lower your heater’s thermostat by 1°C and reduce energy use by up to 10%.

- Reduce the time you heat by one hour a day and save up to 90 hours of heating over winter.

- Insulate your home. High insulation levels (R4+ ceiling, R2+ walls), and insulating window coverings, will reduce heating and cooling bills and pay for themselves over time.

- Reduce heat loss by sealing cracks, installing draught sealing tape around doors and windows, and using door stoppers.

Do you need your second fridge? Book a FREE fridge pick up with ActewAGL’s Fridge Buyback™ online or by calling 1300 136 008 and you could save up to $200 a year on electricity costs*. You could also be eligible for a $30 rebate.

- Hot water heating uses a lot of energy - if you have a tank make sure it’s set no higher than 60°C. If replacing, consider solar or instant hot water heaters.

Replace all lighting with compact fluorescent (CFL) globes or LEDs which use ¼ or less electricity than incandescent bulbs and last much longer.