Dear Parents,

**Bookfair a great success**
It is wonderful to see the children enjoying all the ‘fun of the fair’ with this year’s Book Fair. Not only are there books and trinkets to buy, but there is also popcorn available. A huge thankyou goes to Sharon and Mary-Anne for all their efforts to make this a success. We are expecting that it will help our children remain motivated readers, and we will be using the commissions from the book company to buy new titles for the school.

**Mother’s Day activities**
All classes have been involved this week with making cards or gifts for mothers. Many of you will have seen the report in yesterday’s “Observer” showing our P-1 student ready to make their muffins. We hope our mothers enjoyed a few minutes out of their routine today as they enjoyed an afternoon tea and a bit of time with their children to celebrate Mother’s Day.

**NAPLAN tests**
These national tests begin next week, and parents with children in year 3 or 5 should receive a brochure from the government with this newsletter -please let us know if you did not get one. Teachers of these year levels have been preparing our children by familiarising them with test conditions and with the type of questions they can expect. The children have been encouraged to go into the tests with a positive attitude, and do the best work they can.

**Life Education visit**
All classes enjoyed their visit to “Healthy Harold” in the Life Education van last week. Teachers will be following up with classwork at the appropriate level to encourage children to take on board the message of healthy eating, healthy lifestyle and drug awareness - which encompasses both legal drugs like alcohol, tobacco and prescription medicine, and illegal drugs.

**High Country Fun Run**
Our annual run is coming up at the end of next week. Children have been preparing for the big event by running laps of a course on the oval. We will have Dederang, Mt Beauty and Falls Creek schools visiting us for the day. We always need a number of helpers on the day – several to stand on corners out on the course, and several to assist with the meal deal at lunchtime. If you can help at all, please fill in the return slip at the bottom of the fun run notice.
School Council
At this week’s council meeting normal business was deferred until next Tuesday. At that meeting we will be discussing a number of items including:

- Ski/snow program for 2012
- Leadership camp (one boy and one girl in year 5 or 6)
- School crossing campaign
- Major fundraiser – a night with Tommy Hafey – Sep 22
- Paying for the maintenance of our website
- Year 6 shirts
- progress with kindergarten
- progress with new OSHC facilities and contribution to costs

Parents who are not school councillors, but who have an interest in any of these matters are most welcome to attend.

Kindergarten
Work on the kindergarten yard continues this weekend with palings to go up on the sloping fences. With submission of more of the paperwork this week, the project is approaching completion and already looks very inviting for children!

Workers on the weekend most welcome! There is also some work in the playgrounds to be done before winter - some line trimming and forking over the softfall material to keep it loose.

Bob Flower
Principal

CALENDAR 2012

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Hello Prep /One parents,

Welcome to week 4, “where has that time gone”? Our topic for this term is the “Olympics”. We will be focussing on the United Kingdom and England including its history, geography, culture and customs. We will look at specific activities link to a range of other initiatives and resources found at http://london2012.olympics.com.au/education including Chat to a Champ, Village Art, Cheers for a Champ and the Cross Country Fun Run.

In the Classroom
The students have had a busy couple of weeks. In Week 1 we introduced the Willow Pattern literacy activity, combining Prep/1 with 2/3/4. This activity has been extremely successful and will continue every Wednesday from 10.00am to 11.00am. In Week 2, we focussed on ANZAC day with the holiday on the Wednesday. The end of week 2 was the introduction to our music program with Conrad and a musical performance from Anastasia the Fairy.

In Week 3, it’s “Healthy Harold” passing on the message about ‘How to be a Healthy Hero’. Now, in Week 4 the students are getting ready for Mothers Day. They have been cooking madly in preparation to the big day (all their love goes into baking), so dear parents, I hope you enjoy the delicate food that was so careful constructed by your child (they did wash their hands before they started). Happy eating!

Cheers

Kellie and Sharon
Children from Mt Beauty, Falls Creek and Tawonga Primary Schools will come together to take part in the High Country Fun Event tomorrow. 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. Parents too are invited to join in if they like.

**Program**

10:15 am Children from Mt Beauty & Falls Creek arrive at Tawonga. Social playtime with all schools.

10.45 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, Preps.

1:00 – 2.00 pm Lunch (Sausage Sizzle Meal Deal or bring your own). Presentations

**Children should please bring:**
- Drink bottle
- Wear a Gold Tawonga PS polo shirt
- Hat
- A warm jumper
- Morning snack
  - Running gear and shoes and change of socks (grass will be wet)
  - Bring own lunch if not ordering a meal deal
  - Asthma puffer (if appropriate).
  - And a big smile!

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

**MEAL DEAL FOR FUN RUN**

**MEAL DEAL 1.**
1 Sausage in Bread
1 Prima $4.00
1 Icy Pole

**MEAL DEAL 2**
2 Sausages in Bread
1 Prima $5.00
1 Icy Pole

Drinks will be available for $1.00 on the day.

Meal Deals need to be in by Tuesday 15th May. Please place money in paper bag with meal deal number on front and place in lunch order box classroom.

**Fun Run helpers** - please return this slip to school if you can help
I will be able to help with the fun run at the following time:

- 10:00-12:30 Timing or course marshall
- 11.00-1:30 Sausage sizzle
- 1:00-2:00 Pack up

Name ........................................................................................................................................................................
Thank you to Kelly and Mark Roffey, Davide Angelini, Anne Stanmore and Lee Docherty for their help with the Music Festival BBQ last Sunday. You assistance is much appreciated.

Total raised for the day is approx. $570.00. This money will go towards equipment for the Prep, 1 room.

Great effort!!

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**Book Fair News**

We have had a great Book Fair this year and I’m excited about the amount of interest the children have shown in supporting the fair. In the first two days we sold $630 worth of merchandise. We still have today to go so I expect we may go close to our goal of $1000. The school will receive 30% commission in books. This is on top of the $90 I can spend that Scholastic has generously given us for holding the fair plus the $56 donation from The Old Tawonga Store. I’m sure the kids will be excited to see the new books on our shelves. Well done to all the parents of the school who encourage their children to read and love books. The raffle will be drawn this afternoon with the lucky winner getting a voucher to spend at the Fair.

A huge thank you to the Year 6 students who helped me with the Book Fair and a special thank you to Mary Anne who has helped with decorations and setting up as well as coming in at lunch times to help with the popcorn and general running of the fair….don’t know what I would have done without you.

Sharon
COMMUNITY NEWS

Notice of AGM – 14 May 2012
The Annual General Meeting (AGM) of Mt Beauty Amateur Swimming Club Inc will be held on Monday 14 May 2012, at The Settlers Tavern Hotel, 7.00pm.
For further information please see the notice board at the Mt Beauty Swimming Pool or email the Secretary Darren Cootee on: darrencootee@necwf.com.au

Please support your children and consider nominating for a position on the committee.

Mt Beauty Tennis Club

Social Tennis
Every second Saturday of the month
Sat 12th May
Sat 9th June
Sat 14th July
Sat 11th Aug
Sat 8th Sept
Sat 13th Oct
Commencing 1.30pm. Cost $2 members $5 non-members

We welcome all players: members, non-members, visitors, beginners, experienced,
TAWONGA OSHC

Tawonga OSHC are preparing to the new room and we would really appreciate the donation of:

1. Fridge
2. Freestanding Clothes Rack

Please contact Laura at OSHC (0429 018 724) if you are able to help.

BASKETBALL TIMES

Monday Representative Training will now start at 4:30 pm and end at 6:00 pm

Thursday night session times are as listed.

4:15 – 5:00 pm (Ages 5 – 7 years)
5:00 pm – 6:00 pm (Ages 8 – 11 years)
6:00 pm – 7:00 pm (Ages 12 – 15 years)

7:00 pm + 16 plus years Women

For further information please contact Kelly 0439 951 577
Mark and Kelly Roffey
PO Box 132
MOUNT BEAUTY VIC 3699
03 5754 1117 - Home
0437 131 778 - Mark
0439 951 577 - Kelly

UNIFORM TARTAN – TAWONGA PS

Tawonga Primary School Tartan is available at: Brunella Schoolwear
25 South Street Wodonga
Telephone 02 60244301

Tartan is available by the metre, you need to tell them it’s ‘Tawonga Primary School’ tartan, as it does not have a name.

Skirts and pinafores are also available to be made to order.

The contact person for this is Christine May.

Mother’s Day Special
Sunday May 13th
Pamper mum this Mother’s Day with this Body Bliss Pamper Pack

Begin with a one hour massage, deluxe facial, hot stone foot spa & massage includes a glass of bubbles on arrival and a gift to take home.

Valued at $210 Special price $100 ($100 saving!)
For more information Phone 03 57544118 or visit us online at www.jostherapies.com.au or pop in to the shop
20A Kiewa Crescent
Mount Beauty
Gift Vouchers also available

Mt Beauty Primary School presents:
2012 Ski Sale

This is a major fundraising event for Mount Beauty Primary School. Your participation and contribution will assist to upgrade our school facilities.

Bring any winter ski gear you have for sale and we will sell it for you adding 20% commission for the school. Alternately you can donate your gear to the school and we will receive all of the proceeds from the sale.

When: Saturday 9th June 2012 (Queens Birthday Weekend)

Where: Mount Beauty Community Centre
Hollands Street Mount Beauty

Time: 8am Registration of Goods
10am – 2pm Sale of Goods

What to Sell: Any items for Downhill, Cross Country, Snowboarding, Skis, Boards, Boots, Poles, Hats, Gloves, Jackets, Car Chains etc…

Contacts: Felicity - 0434 053 338 or Amanda - 0408 798 510