Dear Parents,

I am very proud to be able to write my first newsletter report as Principal of Tawonga Primary School. Everyone has been so warm and welcoming and has made the job of settling in much easier. I am learning lots of faces and names as quickly as I can. It was wonderful to meet so many parents and children at the welcome breakfast on Wednesday morning. A big thank you to all those who helped make it a success. To those families I haven't yet meet I look forward to meeting you all over the next few weeks.

I would like to encourage parents if they would like to talk with me about anything that they call and make a time. I will endeavour to make myself available to parents where possible. Please bear in mind that as Principal I still have a two day teaching component to my week this being Thursdays and Fridays.

Staff Professional Learning
The first day of term was spent with other teachers from our cluster undertaking professional learning in writing. The 'Seven Steps to Writing Success program was presented by Jen McVeity.

Parent Opinion Survey next week
Parent Opinion Surveys will be sent out to families towards the end of July. We would appreciate families taking the time to complete them and return back to school. The surveys are your opportunity to give your feedback to the Department about your school.

Kim Franzke
Principal

Visit by Paul Gray (Olympian)
On Wednesday afternoon Paul Gray, a local winter Olympian visited our school to talk to the students about his participation in the World Cup events and Olympics as a XC Skier. The students were able to wear racing bibs and clothing to get in the mood. Paul showed the students a short video of when he won the Kangaroo Hoppet back in the 1990’s. The students also were explained the difference between Classic XC skiing and Skating. Thank you to Paul for his presentation, our students found it very enjoyable.
SKI PROGRAM – REMINDERS

1. Unless a bus traveller, children need to be at the school bus stop by 8.20am. The snow bus leaves at 8.30 am. SHARP as soon as the last school bus arrives. All children need to get on the bus at Tawonga PS, so that a roll can be marked and ski tickets can be organised.
2. Students return to the school between 4.45pm and 5pm. Parents need to make arrangements to pick up their children from the school.
3. Check CAREFULLY that your child has all the correct gear to ensure they are safe and comfortable, ready for their day in the snow.
4. Pack a healthy lunch, snacks and drink bottle.
5. The phone tree has been handed out. Check the details carefully and know who you need to ring should the program be postponed.
6. Always assume that the ski program is on and get ready the night before.
7. If the ski program is to be postponed, due to poor weather conditions, the phone tree will be put into operation between 7.15 and 7.30am on the ski day.
8. Be ready to have a GREAT day. Arrive with a big smile and a positive mind!

- Please ensure the phone tree list of contacts is kept in an important spot!
- Skiing groups for week 1 and 2 are listed below.

Week 1 and 2 Ski Groups

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Year 5,6 Update!

Great to see everyone back and excited about being back with friends.

- The London Olympics is our flavour for this term. Along with loads of interesting tasks and research, each student will ultimately complete a project which is divided into 2 sections – a study on an Olympic athlete and a study on a particular sport.
- It will be important that they collect information on each of these, in the lead up to the games, during the games and their final results. It should be an exciting unit of work with a great presentation for all at the end.
- Homework is ON again. Handed out Wednesday – due by the following Wednesday!
- Regular nightly reading and spelling is back in full swing, so please encourage and support. Likewise for additional maths tables for Year 5’s.

Any queries – feel free to ask
Cheers Mrs K

THANKYOU

The staff would like to thank the Rawlings and Stanmore families for their kind donation of an electric urn to the school. Up until now we have been borrowing the one from the Tawonga Hall each time we have needed one which is quite often. This will be a very valuable asset to our school.

Winter Colds

Now that the weather is cold many children and adults suffer from the common cold. Below is some information which may help you decide if your child needs to be kept at home if they are suffering from Colds and Flus. If your child appears unwell often a couple of days at home resting can be the best cure.

To stay home or not?

Children with a cold who feel unwell should stay at home until they are feeling better.

However, there is no need for them to stay at home if they feel well enough to play and participate in regular activities despite their runny nose or cough.

The viruses that cause common colds may infect other people before and after symptoms show.

People with colds:
- can be infectious before any symptoms show
- are most infectious in the first 2–4 days of cold symptoms
- can continue to be infectious after most symptoms have gone away, sometimes for up to 3 weeks.

Children tend to get 5–10 colds per year.

This means with common cold viruses it is extremely difficult to say when a child could infect others.

Antibiotics don’t work on viruses so they won’t stop a cold from spreading.

For more information go to www.nps.org.au/commoncolds.
Students will continue to write personal recounts. This term they will focus on narrative writing and use words to convey a message. Students will continue to be part of daily reading sessions and to continue to work on comprehension, fluency and vocabulary building activities. We will also continue to work with students on their speaking and listening skills through formal and informal presentations, as well as contributing to classroom discussions and asking clarifying questions.

Integrated Topic
Our theme for this term is River to the Sea. This includes an excursion into Albury to view the water display at the Albury Library/Museum and a guest speaker from North East Water. The guest speaker will talk about ‘Who uses water in our community and why’.

English

Maths
Number–Prep
*Recognising, writing and making numbers 1-20
*Modelling numbers to 20
*Using numbers 1-20 in simple addition and subtraction problems
*Counting by 1’s 5’s and 10’s to 100. And counting backwards from 20
*Recognition of coins - using play money to familiarise themselves with our coins

Number – Grade 1
*Continue to work on place value for numbers to 100, and introduce place value to 1000
*Develop quick recall of tens facts and doubles, to help with addition and subtraction
*Look at number patterns on a 100’s chart - 2’s, 4’s, 5’s and 10’s. Skip counting to 100 and beyond
*Continue informal multiplication and division concepts
*Investigate the order of money in dollars and cents and use money in simple calculations

Measurement, Chance and Data, Space (Prep & Grade1)
*Flip, slide and turn in shapes
*Symmetry
*Informal and formal measurement of capacity, length and mass
*Use everyday language to describe chance events
*Pose questions, collect data and use simple graphs to show results
*Digital and analogue time

ICT
Become familiar with a variety of computer programs through guided experimentation. Use ICT tools to present their work from all curriculum areas. Continue to use interactive whiteboards.

Health and P.E.
Continue to develop basic motor skills and co-ordination through: Catching/throwing, skipping and minor games. Daily fitness activities, balancing and using the adventure playground to develop body awareness.

Interpersonal Development
Continue to learn to work and play with others in a variety of situations. Use appropriate language and actions to resolve conflict. Look after their own possessions and those of others. Consider the needs and feelings of others.

Visual Art
The students will be working with food dye, collages (different paper textures) and paints. The students will continue to develop their ability to share work, explore and expand ideas and complete self-evaluations of their art work. They will continue to develop their awareness of routines and materials in the art room.

Performing Art
*Action song exploring beat and rhythm
*Body percussion and dance activities
*Preparing performance item for concert

Civics and Citizenship
Continue to develop awareness of school and community rules and consequences. Be involved in school activities, especially cooking, gardening and Waste Wise.
OSHC Winter Vacation Care

Mount Beauty OSHC has been the place to be these past two weeks. Especially if dreaming of travel (like so many of us)! Children have enjoyed celebrating their favourite countries by painting flags, learning about particular countries such as France the home of the Tour De France, Fiji with Sera and Zola (staff members) and of course London – host city of the 2012 Olympic games.

Children have had the opportunity to play electronic games, enjoying the new Wii game “Mario and Sonic at the London 2012 Olympics”. Staff and children have created trophies, medals and Olympic rings.

The 1st week of Vacation Care culminated in the OSHC Olympics opening ceremony where all children paraded with the torches and flags they had made during the week. A mini Olympics with five activities was held, (Totem tennis, Long jump, skipping trials, scooter race and relay races). The children all enjoyed these activities as athletes or spectators and were later awarded medals for good sportsmanship.

Other activities that were on offer were scooter and bike riding, badminton and totem tennis. Children also enjoyed the play ground and sandpit (sorry about the clothes and shoes parents!) 😊

The mornings were busy with staff preparing for the daily activities, muffin making, re-stock of food and craft. Children had the opportunity to make and decorate torches, planes, snowmen and dragons.

We have enjoyed some great weather and took advantage of outside time when the sun was shining brightly! On the day when it bucketed down we had what you would call a long table lunch in the OSHC room followed by movies and popcorn.

It has been an awesome Vac Care. Thank you to our families for supporting this valuable service!

OSHC Educators

P.S. Kids watch out for fairies, ninjas, shark food and three eyes when visiting OSHC!!
COMMUNITY NEWS

DEBUTANTE BALL

If you are wanting to sell or donate a dress or shoes that could be worn again. Please contact; Mary-Anne Cariss

Phone: 5754 1271
Email with details: smacariss@gmail.com

SKI HIRE

The Mt Beauty Secondary College Nordic Ski Hire will be open from 2.30pm to 3.30pm this Friday. The cost is $25 per set of skis for the holidays and after the holidays it will be $12 per weekend. Students from the local feeder primary schools and their immediate families are able to hire. Skis must be returned by 8.45am on Monday morning (during term) as they are required for pre booked school programs.

MOUNT BEAUTY BRUMBIES BASKETBALL

Session Times - Term 3 2012

MONDAY NIGHT
Representative Training
4:30 PM - 6:00 PM

WEDNESDAY NIGHT
Men's Basketball
7:15 PM - 8:15 PM

THURSDAY NIGHT
Under 8’s & Under 10’s
4:15 PM – 5:00 PM
Under 12’s & Under 14’s
5:00 PM – 6:00 PM
Under 14’s, 16’s & Under 18’s
6:00 PM – 7:00 PM
Women's Basketball
7:00 PM - 8:00 PM

For information please contact; Mark Roffey 0437 131 778
or Sharon Plummer 0411 695 546

MOUNT BEAUTY SOCCER CLUB

Mt. Beauty Soccer Club will resume training this Saturday 21st July 10.30am at the main oval. The Mt. Beauty Gala Day will be held on the 28th July the week after, your club will need Volunteers to help setup, BBQ, canteen, referee’s. Please contact Ron Crawford 57544886 or 0413 339 579 if you can help or see me on Saturday.