Dear Families,

Today our Year 3-6s will be heading up to Falls Creek for our first skiing day. A program like this cannot run without the support of everyone involved. Look out for photos next week from all the action.

I have meet with many parents of the school since beginning at Tawonga PS and I am encouraged by the wonderful enthusiasm that everyone has about our school. I would like to remind parents that school council has set up sub committees to divide up the work of council. Please find below the Chair of our sub committees. If parents are interested in being a part of one of these sub committees please do not hesitate to talk to myself or the Chair.

Finance – Kelly Roffey
Building & Grounds – Graham Boote
Curriculum & Policies – Ellen Gorham
Grants – Claire Dillon
Communication & Promotions – Claire Dillon
Kinder - Yvette Hind
Fundraising & Social – Yvette Hind

Come and have a look at our noticeboard which has been filled to the brim with information and photos of our wonderful school. Thanks Claire Dillon. I have already had comments regarding our noticeboard outside Foodworks from locals which is fantastic. Please take the time to have a look when you are up that way. You will be impressed by the bright colours. Thanks Ellen. Both our noticeboards really do show off the excellent learning that is offered to all our students.

Walking around the school this past week I can see many busy students working on different Olympic projects. I especially loved the book that our Preps and 1s were doing on the Opening Ceremony. Well Done All.

Kim Franzke
Principal
### CALENDAR 2012

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### School Readiness Meeting

**Mount Beauty Kindergarten, Tuesday 7\textsuperscript{th} August, 7.30pm**

Presentation and discussion night regarding your child’s educational journey – so you can make well informed decisions.

Meet the Primary School (Prep) teachers of Tawonga, Mount Beauty, Dederang and the educators at Mt. Beauty Kindergarten.

For all families with children aged 2-4 years old.

Please do not miss this fantastic opportunity.

For any questions please contact the Kindergarten on 5754 4848.

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### 2013 PREP ENROLMENTS

Enrolments for 2013 are now being taken. If you would like an enrolment form or if you know someone who would like to send their child/ren to Tawonga Primary School in 2013 please see Lisa in the office to collect an enrolment form.
KINDER/PREP TRANSITION PROGRAM 2013

Term 3

Tues 7th Aug 7.30pm - Parent information session discussing school readiness at Mt Beauty Kinder. Our Prep teacher Kellie Rutherfurd and Principal Kim Franzke will be available to talk to.

Tues 28th Aug 9.30am - 11am - Mt Beauty Kinder students visit Tawonga Primary School on an excursion by bus. Students will be involved in some relaxed classroom activities and playtime in the yard. The students will bring a snack to have at Tawonga Primary School. This excursion will be subsidised by the school. Parents are welcome to attend and look around the school. This excursion is for students attending Mt Beauty Kindergarten only.

Term 4

Fri 19th Oct, 2nd Nov, 16th Nov and 30th Nov 2.00-3.30pm - Our Prep teacher Kellie Rutherfurd and Principal Kim Franzke will run four informal information sessions for parents with afternoon tea while the kinder students are involved in classroom activities and playtime in the yard. Parents are welcome to leave their children if the school has received a completed enrolment form. All kindergarten students are welcome to these days.

Tues 11th Dec 9.00-1.30pm - Whole school orientation day for all 2013 students Prep-Year6. Kinder students are to bring a snack and lunch.

FOR MORE INFORMATION ABOUT THE SCHOOL OR TO ORGANISE A TOUR AT A TIME THAT SUITS YOU, PLEASE PHONE 57544 468.

SCOUTS RAFFLE AND SOCK DRIVE

Don’t forget to get your family and friends involved in the two fundraisers we have running at present.

With the Scouts raffle $15 from every book sold will go to the school. Extra books are available from Lisa if you require them. Due date back at school has been extended until 17th August.

With the Sock Drive $1.00 from every pair of socks ordered will also go to the school.

Please support these fantastic fundraisers!!
More Year 5,6 Happenings…..
Great writing continues in our classroom with the focus on photos as a stimulus for “Sizzling Starts!”
Exciting to see more students being organized in advance, having their Maths Homework sheets completed before Wednesday! Great Effort!
Some students need reminders about nightly reading and recording in their diary. Please support them with this.
Be sure to assist your child gather information for their Olympic project – on a team and athlete.
Here are some more colourful Olympic stories….. Cheers Mrs K

My Magic Moment!

“Bumbbumb!” My heart is racing as I wait at the starting line. All the competitors can hear the crowd cheering. I am thinking that it is the first time for me, competing in the hurdles. Will I let my country down? I’m so nervous I can’t do it, I’m thinking to myself. I look up and see my flag. It gives me confidence to be doing this for my country.
I’m warming up ready for the race. I look and see the finish line. I wipe my face. It is so clammy and all my body was too. Then I hear them call girls 100 meter hurdles. The crowd cheer for me as I walk up to the blocks. I stand there. My heart is racing, my hands are sweaty and I’m so nervous. All I can think about is all the time it took to get here and how much devotion I’ve put into getting here. It all has lead up to this. I take one last breath then…. "BANG!!!!"
Off I race. They cheer as I leap off the blocks. I could really feel the person’s breath on my neck as I took a leap. I feel my shoe skim the hurdle. I do not look back to see if it is knocked over. I can still hear my heart pounding. Now I look back. I cannot see if there are hurdles close by. I’m almost there. I over took a girl. There are two hurdles to go and I lunge myself over the Finish line to victory. I crash to the ground in relief. I have so many things running through my head as the crowd stand to their feet. My dream has come true. A tear rolls down the side of my face in joy. This is a magic moment.

Bella Year 5

MY MAGIC MOMENT!
Running back onto the court, my heart was pounding. I seem have more butterflies in my tummy than on my first day of school. I can feel the racket slipping through my hand, from the sweat running down my arms. I won the coin toss which was such a relief to me.
I threw the ball in the air and WHAM! I hit it perfectly, so it hit the corner of the block. Federer hit it too late and it bounced out of court. I hear the umpire yell fifteen – love! My hopes soar up a notch. I hit the ball in the same spot, but this time he failed again. He hit it on the court just for me to smash it to the other side. Thirty – Love! I do the same again forty – love! MATCH POINT! Slam! My serve was suddenly a FAULT! I’m worried! I serve again FAULT! Forty – fifteen! I’m really worried! This time when I serve, it landed in the perfect spot where Federer couldn’t reach it. Forty – thirty! Finally I served it and aced him. Game over! I ran off to the side of the court for a break feeling confident. My coach said I was over-excited and under estimating him. I took my coaches advice to the second game.
The second game started with a BANG! My opponent had smashed the ball into my chest. I was so excited I served it too hard. I couldn't believe it counted. Puffing and sweating I got up again. Federer served it again so fast it aced me! I could have sworn it made a dint in the wall. “This time” I said to myself. I returned the ball so well my opponent returned it to the net. Forty-Fifteen. The game dragged on for another hour.
The score was two games each, deuce. I was so tired my body was sweaty and slippery. Then he returns a super fast ball and I couldn't get to it. I was so annoyed and disappointed I had come second. But the feeling was still excellent because I was at

LONDON 2012 OLYMPIC GAMES Samuel Cariss 24/7/2012
MY MAGIC MOMENT!

As I walk out through the stand, the roar of the crowd hits me like a brick wall, the sheer slamming into my ear drums. It is deafening, but I just keep walking. I stare up into the crowd, to the mass of people. I find a small Australian flag wavering in the wind weakly, it brings back a flood of memories and I smile.

As we line up behind the blocks my heart is pounding. I go through the race in my head. I sprint ahead in an early start get the lead but they are gaining on me, my arms flying around like a mad mans and my legs smacking against the ground thud thud thud and the 1 rip through the line and stare at the screen and I won I actually won but only by an inch.) But that is only in my head now this is real, my heart still pounding I crouch down on the starting blocks and the official shouts “set” and then “BBAANNGGG!!” goes the gun and I’m off, the air parting before me the crowd erupts in a new found strength and I’m winning I am winning but then it happens. I trip and fall the crowd goes silent I’m so devastated and the last thing I see before I black out is a medic rushing to my aid.

I awake in hospital still in my running clothes; I see the swarm of reporters outside of the door begging to get in before everybody else but the doctor just strolls in at a leisurely pace paying them no notice. “Where am I” I ask him “we are in the King Gorge hospital” he says “thank you for helping me but I am fine now so I think I might leave” I say I exit the door and get swamped by reporters trying to get the first scoop. Will Bloom Year 6.

My Legs were wobbly. I wished all the other athletes competing “Good luck!”. (Although I’m not quite sure if they could understand me.) Trying to stay calm, I looked up and spotted a section in the crowd with yellow and green on. They were yelling out my name. It lifted my spirits and gave me confidence.

I was called up onto the starting blocks. This was it I told myself. All these years of training, it’s all come down to this. I crouched down, waiting nervously. Everyone went silent as the man raised his hand. I could see all of the other athletes out of the corner of my eye.

We were off! I was so tense, but I knew I had to do it for mum and all of the other Aussies who were relying Gent wild. That’s when I see the finish line after "BANG!" on me to win the marathon. The crowd looked up the track. I knew I’d be back to I’d pounded out the marathon distance.

But I knew it wouldn’t be that far away, I knew I had to get there first. About 35 minutes in everyone fell behind. It was just me and another Russian now out in front. We were neck and neck. I was sweating so much I could feel the sweat running down off the end of my nose. I was running flat stick, but making sure I still had enough energy for the final sprint.

I could hear voices inside my head telling me to keep going so I did. I kept pushing myself the whole way.

After the epic race, finally the finish line was about 20 meters away. As much as I wanted to look beside me to see the Russian, I couldn’t. I knew if I did, it would slow me down.

About 15 meters away from the finish line, the Russian started to stagger and fall. But he regained his feet and we were neck and neck again. I was starting to struggle even thought the finish line was just there. But then 4 meters before the finish, the Russian tumbled over and I could tell he was in a lot of pain.

I kept running towards the finish line. Then I stopped, a half a meter away. It didn’t seem right after such a big battle. I turned around and jogged back to the Russian. I knew I couldn’t take the glory of winning all for myself, even if it was my life dream. The Russian looked up and saw me. He gave me a smile. I told him we had to hurry if we wanted to make a place because everyone else was about 25 meters behind us. I helped him to his feet and we struggled to the line, arm in arm. We both crossed at the same time. Equal first! His huge hug said it all. It was so thrilling to know I had achieved my goal and helped another athlete that may have never finished that race.

By Emily Barnes yr 6
COMMUNITY NEWS

SCHOOL BANKING
Just a reminder to families that school banking for the Commonwealth Bank is every Thursday. All your children need to do is hand their books with money enclosed to Lisa in the office. There are some great rewards on offer for your children to regularly bank. If anyone would like to open an account for their child you can do so by either seeing Lisa in the office or calling into the Commonwealth Bank.

COMMUNITY MARKET
Saturday 4th August 9.00am to 1.00pm.
Held in the gardens of the Community Centre in Mount Beauty.
Interested stallholders can call Bev on 03 57544097.

PARENT OPINION SURVEYS
The parent opinion surveys are attached to this weeks newsletter. We request that you complete these and return to school by next Friday 10th August.

Positive Parenting Telephone Service:
Are you the parent or carer of a child or children aged 2 – 10 years? Are you looking for ways to have more positive communication with your child/ren? Do you have other commitments that prevent you from attending regular group parenting courses? Well, how about this?
We are running a fantastic parenting program for parents, grandparents and carers of children aged 2 – 10 years that you can do from the comfort of your own home.
It is called the Positive Parenting Telephone Service and you get a weekly telephone appointment at a time that suits you (day or evening) with a trained parent educator for 6 – 10 weeks.

Our program educators aim to assist you in developing a stronger and more positive relationship with your children, as well as offering some practical suggestions on how to manage everyday behaviour problems such as disobedience, temper tantrums and disruptive behaviours.

Interested?
For more information or to enrol phone FREECALL 1800 880 660
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