

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 have a common interest in our students.

EXCELLENCE

Striving to be the best we can be.

Tawonga Primary School acknowledges the Traditional Owners of country throughout Australia and recognise their continuing connection to land, waters and culture. We pay our respects to their Elders past, present and emerging.

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Message from the Principal:

Dear Families,

Festival of Learning

What is this you may be wondering!!! It means it's assessment time. Thanks to Mrs Crumpler for making our assessment week a little bit more exciting with songs and dancing between tests.

Teachers will be finalising individual testing in literacy and numeracy again next week. Initial results are looking fantastic across the school. Teachers will be busy over the next few weeks writing reports; which will be available to parents in the final week of school.

Remembrance Day

Thanks to Matilda B, Fletcher, Sierra L, Sierra G, Millie and Clementine for volunteering to represent our school on Tuesday at the service in Mt Beauty. They did a great job in adverse weather conditions. A special thank you to Millie for bringing in foliage and flowers from home which were used to make two wreaths. The second wreath was laid in Tawonga.

Swimming

Our first lesson starts on Monday. Please read the full details in this newsletter to make sure you are prepared. For those children that feel the cold, parents may wish to pack a wetsuit or thermal to wear under a rash top. A reminder that pick up is at the pool by 3.15pm.

Laptop Program (BYOD)

Information for 2026 - Yr 2 families regarding purchasing a laptop are now available. For families wishing to purchase a new device in other year levels, forms are available at the office.

ASSEMBLY FRIDAY FORTNIGHTLY

14th November - 3.00pm Sharp

Thanks You

A shout out to some local businesses who have supported us recently with donations.

Cottrell Constructions - for a load of gravel for the chicken coop

Farm to Fork Butchery - for a donation of yummy mince meat that was used for the bolognaise sauce at the Prep late night and Year 1/2 sleepover.

Pupil Free Day

Our final Pupil Free day for the year will be Monday 15th December. Please make sure this is in your diary. If you need OSHC please ensure that a prior booking is made. Kinder will run as normal on this day.

Kim Franzke

PRINCIPAL



Remembrance Day



3/4 Camp

Our Year 3-4 students showed bravery, teamwork and resilience when attending their 3 day camp to Howman's Gap last week.



School Contributions 2026

Schools provide students with free instruction to fulfil the standard Victorian Curriculum, and we want to assure you that all contributions are voluntary. Nevertheless, the ongoing support of our families ensures that our school can offer the best possible education and support for our students. We want to thank you for all your support, whether that's through fundraising or volunteering your time. This has made a huge difference to our school and the programs we can offer.

Curriculum Contributions help subsidise the cost of the following items.

- *Swimming Term 1 and 4 – pool entry and transport*
- *Making Day (supplies for cooking, Living Green etc)*
- *Art – MACC Van, Library—MARC Van*
- *Online subscriptions including Nessy, Essential Assessment.*
- *Stationery: including pens, pencils, workbooks, photocopying, glue sticks, planners etc.*

Swimming

Our end of year swimming program will commence on Monday 17th November. Students will travel via bus to the Mt Beauty Pool and participate in a 30 minute lesson.

A few things that may help:

- **Goggles are really useful**
- **All students need a rash top, towel and bathers in a separate bag**
- **Long hair tied back out of the face**
- **Thongs, Crocs or river shoes for before and after swimming**
- **If it is raining, the program will go ahead. Thunderstorms will be the deciding factor. The pool will advise us.**

Parents are required to pick up from the pool between 3-3.15pm. Our lessons finish at 3pm with the pool opening to the general public at 3.30pm. Families wishing to take advantage of this are welcome to stay, which will save on changing.

****Students needing to catch the school bus will catch the bus from Mt Beauty SC.**

****Students with an OSHC booking will need to make prior arrangements with Mrs Franzke before 9am on a swim day.** This is to ensure that enough seats are available in staff cars. If your child needs a booster seat let us know as the school only has one.

****Students wishing to make their own way home, eg walk or ride, will need to provide a note signed by a parent.**



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Icy Poles on Sale

Our Year 5/6s will be once again selling Berri 99% Fruit Juice Icy Tubes.

Steele will be raising money for his 2026 Year 6 shirt and the current Year 6s are raising money for their end of year graduation excursion they are planning.

Orders need to be made before the 9am bell. Only one icy pole a day and no buying for other students.

If you wanted to bring (for example) \$5 we can keep track of credits for your child.

\$1



Mini Canteen



We are going to run a mini school canteen, run by the students, for the remainder of this year.

The purpose is to let students have real experience dealing with physical money.

We will be selling three items to begin with, which have been voted for by students and approved by Mrs Franzke:

Seaweed for \$1.50

Frozen juice-boxes for \$1.50

Killer Pythons for 50c

As the purpose is for students to work out the change for the person purchasing an item, please do not give exact money. A \$2 coin or a handful of silver coins is ideal.

The canteen will begin on Wednesday 12th November and run, for the first 15 minutes of lunch break. Any profits will go to purchasing items on a student wish-list. Any questions, please see Rachel Fallon.

Attendance

With only one term left of the year, attendance is as important as ever.

How many days have you missed?

Could they have been avoided?

Could they have been a half day absence instead?

Can we help in anyway?

Be an Attendance Hero...



Here Every day Ready On time

Good attendance means our children will...

- Achieve well and be successful
- Know the value of hard work and efforts
- Be kind
- Dream Big!

Work hard. Be kind. Dream big



News



All the children did really well practising the evacuation drill with the school students this week.

Update

Job Opening

Due to increasing hours and strong enrolments an opportunity is now available for a part time 26.5 hours per week (negotiable) Early Childhood Teacher (Diploma considered). <https://jobs.earlychildhood.education.vic.gov.au/.../earl>

Please see our Facebook page for further detail

2026 Enrolments

We have 16 enrolments to date. All enrolments are confirmed. Our license is capped at 20. Information will be provided shortly regarding an opportunity for 2026 children and families to visit the kinder to assist with transition.

Prep Transition - For our 2026 Prep cohort. The remaining dates and times are as follows:

- Friday November 14th 9:30 - 11am
- Friday November 28th 9:30 - 11am
- Tuesday December 9th 9.00 - 2pm

Successful Grant Application—\$28,000 to refurbish the kitchen/store room

Thank you to the Kiewa Mitta Murray Community Enterprises Limited (Bendigo & Adelaide Community Bank) for their generous donation. The money will be used to improve storage and shelving, upgrade the kitchenette to include a dishwasher and washing machine and to provide a purpose built staff area. The builder has indicated that work could be complete around April.

Giant Pumpkin Competition

It's definitely not too late to get your giant pumpkin seeds in the ground. If you missed out or would like another seed please see Ms Oddoux.

Below is a little reminder of the excitement from this year's weigh in. Remember we would love to see all pumpkins big or small.



Tawonga Primary School
Community Giant Pumpkin Competition

Autumn 2026
It's time to get your seeds going!
All entries welcome, if you would like a seed please complete the online sign up form on our Facebook.
For more information please email the school on tawonga.ps@education.vic.gov.au

Tawonga Primary School runs a 15 hour a week sessional 3 & 4 year old sessional kindergarten program on schoolgrounds.



MON	TUES	WED	THURS	FRI	SAT/SUN
	11 Library/Music Remembrance Day	12 Mini canteen opens	13 Yr 6 Cluster Student Voice Forum Excursion to MtB	14 Prep Transition 9.30-11 Assembly	15/16
17 Swimming No. 1 Pick up at pool	18 Art	19 Mini canteen	20 Incurion 3-6s STEM Academy Swimming No.2 Pick up at the pool	21 Yr 6 Transition to MtBSC 9-11 Last lunch order	22/23
24 Swimming No. 3 Pick up at pool School Council	25 Library/Music	26 Mini canteen	27 Swimming No.4 Pick up at pool	28 Prep Transition 9.30-11 Yr 6 Transition to MtBSC 9-11 Meal Deal Final Assembly	29/30
1 Dec Swimming No. 5 Pick up at pool	2 Art	3 Last mini canteen	4 Swimming No. 6 Pick up at pool	5 Meal Deal	6/7
8 Swimming No. 7 Pick up at pool	9 Statewide Transition Day 2026 Preps 9-2pm Yr6s to SC	10 Yr 6 B'fast Pool Party 10-12 Community Lunch 1pm Awards & Yr 6 Grad 2.15pm	11 Yr 6 Excursion	12 Carols by Candlelight Lions Club	13/14

REMINDERS

SCHOOL CONTRIBUTIONS - please check Compass for School Contribution payment details.

COMPASS - Please use for all absences, Also check that all personal details and emergency contact details are up to date.

SCHOOL COUNCIL - next meeting Monday 24th November, 5.15pm Finance, 5.30pm General Meeting

BOOKCLUB - Due 21st November

NEXT PUPIL FREE DAY - Monday 15th December

SCHOOL COUNCILLORS

President	Andrew Macklan andrew.macklan@education.vic.gov.au
Vice President	Tom Carrie
Finance	Andrew, Margaret Heath
General Committee	Ben Svarc, Callum Bloomer, Jason Gentile, Simone Dowel & Daniel Lynch
DET Rep	Juliette Oddoux





Community News



YOU COULD PLAY FOR FREE!
Claim your Get Active voucher today



woolworths CRICKET BLAST

Come and try session
Tuesday 28th October
4pm to 5pm
All are welcome!

JOIN WITH FRIENDS
PLAY TOGETHER

Join Woolworths Cricket Blast Tuesdays 4pm to 5pm
A safe way to have fun and stay active for kids of all abilities. 11th November to 16th December

Mount Beauty United Cricket Club

JOIN YOUR NEAREST CLUB

Play Cricket

OFFICIAL KIDS PROGRAM



Mt Beauty Pool

Lap swimming, play areas, splash park, kiosk, shady lawns, pool toys.

8th November to 4th April

Low Season

Mon - Fri: 7-10:00am, 3:30-6:30pm

Sat and Sun: 1pm - 6pm

High Season

(Summer School Holidays)

Mon - Fri: 6.30-10:30am, 2.00pm-7pm

Sat and Sun: 1pm-7pm

Closed Christmas Day



Mount Beauty Amateur Swim Club
Swimming • Mount Beauty, Victoria

Monday 20th October

Come train with our awesome coaches. Improve your skills, fitness and be part of our team. Dryland training starts Monday 20 October 5-6pm Les Peart Oval.

- ✓ Experienced coaches
- ✓ All skill levels and abilities welcome

Contact Us!

mtbeautyswim@gmail.com

f join Mt Beauty Amateur Swimming Club Group facebook for registration details



when pool opens

4pm: development squad
4:30pm: early squad
5:30pm: senior squad

How to Submit Community News:

Articles can be sent to tawonga.ps@education.vic.gov.au

