



## 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.

## Message from the Principal:

Dear Families,

### Walk Safely to School

Tomorrow we are encouraging students to walk (ride, scoot) safely to school. Thank you to Jos for her efforts in raising the profile of this in the wider community. She has approached the Alpine Shire, the paper and Bill Sykes office with the hope of seeing improvements to the safety of our school crossing in terms of a funded crossing supervisor, better education and policing around the 40km/hr speed zone.

### School Review

On the 7th August our four yearly school review process will be taking place. In the lead up to this we are required to undertake a self evaluation of our progress since the last review. Included with this newsletter is a feedback form which I strongly encourage all families to fill in. Your thoughts are important to us and will help frame the review process. Feedback can be anonymous if you wish. Could forms please be returned by next Thursday. Michelle N our School Council President has offered for parents to speak with her individually if they wish.

### Skiing Program

Year 3-6 student will have been given full details regarding our skiing program. This year we will be running 6 days. The initial permission form is due by the 1st June so we can begin to work out groups and adequate supervision.

### Year 10 Work Experience Student

Next week we will have Emelia Roffey assisting at school as part of her Year 10 Work Experience placement. Emelia is a past student who now attends Mt Beauty Secondary College.

No Assembly this week due to cross country

### Cross Country

Congratulations to all the students for your super effort and great behaviour at our Cluster cross country last Friday. Thank you to all the volunteer parents out on course and organising our BBQ we can not put on this event without your support.

Well done to the students pictures below for winning their event. Students who have qualified for the Division event have been sent home information today.



### School Council Update

At Mondays School Council meeting the following policies were ratified.

Camps and Excursions, Learning with an External Provider, Critical Incidents, Policy Development, First Aid, Anaphylaxis and Skiing. Copies of these policies are available at the school office and shortly will be updated onto our website.

### 5/6 Transition Day

Year 5/6s have received a letter yesterday with details regarding a transition visit for the day of Wednesday 24th May. Parents are also invited to for a tour and question and answer session at 3pm.

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Walk Safely to School Day  
Friday 19 May 2017

## Making Day

The gardening group were busy planting new winter vegetables and continuing to use recycled planter pots to create new gardens. The students used great teamwork skills to follow the directions in building 2 new containers. Many hands made light work assisting Tad to dismantle our green house which need relocating due to our upcoming building works.

In the kitchen the students made pita pizzas learning all about different pizza toppings. They picked fresh herbs and potatoes from the garden. All the students enjoyed eating these with many have a second helping.

The making group drew pictures on sheet music with watercolour pencils to begin creating a music corner.



## Mothers Day Morning Tea

It was great to see all the mums and grandmothers at our annual Mothers Day event last Tuesday. Thanks to the Old Tawonga Store for the tasty scones and also to Parents Group for organising the event. For those that couldn't make it we hope you had a lovely day last Sunday with family.



### 4/6 Breakfast

This morning, students in Mrs Tattersons 4/6 Class enjoyed a healthy and nutritious breakfast of eggs, toast, fruit and porridge.

We all know that breakfast is the most important meal of the day, but unfortunately it's the one that kids (and adults) are most likely to skip. In fact, one in four children in Australia skips breakfast. At school, a hungry child can lose concentration in class, have no energy for playtime and snack on unhealthy foods, such as chips or biscuits. A calm and healthy breakfast every day is the best defence against this happening. It also helps children to get into good habits that they can carry through life. I hope that by trying some foods your child may not normally eat, and by reminding them of the importance of breakfast, we are able to motivate them to enjoy a healthy and wholesome breakfast so they are ready to learn each day.

Thank you, Liz Tatterson



### YEAR 3-6 EXCURSION TO ALBURY LIBRARY MUSEUM

On Monday the 3- 6 students went to the Albury Library Museum to visit the Dinosaur Revolution Exhibition. Afterwards, students participated in a hands- on workshop where they created their own fossil, providing them with insights into the work of palaeontologists. We also explored the fantastic permanent collection at the museum, learning more about local indigenous history and of the immigrants to our area. Before returning, students enjoyed their lunch and a play at the Noreuil Park.

The Dinosaur Exhibition has been a great launching off point for our work on Information Reports in Literacy. Please note, that for the next couple of weeks there will be no Big Writes while we work on Information Reports, as these require significant research prior to writing.



# CALENDAR OF EVENTS:

# MAY/JUNE

MON	TUES	WED	THURS	FRI	SAT/SUN
			18 School Banking	19 <b>WALK SAFELY TO SCHOOL DAY</b>	20/21 Chickens—Scherf Chickens—Scherf
22 Responsible Pet ownership.	23 Library	24	25 School Banking	26 Division Cross Country Willow Park Wodonga	27/28 Chickens— Chickens—
29	30 Art <b>School Photos</b>	31	1 School Banking <b>Ski Permission forms due Yr 3-6</b>	2	3/4 Chickens— Chickens—
5	6 Library	7	8 School Banking	9	10/11 Chickens - Chickens—
12 Queens Birthday No School.	13 Art	14	15 School Banking	16	17/18 Chickens— Chickens—

## REMINDERS

**Skiing** - start thinking about checking clothing. Ski forms were sent home with each child in Year 3-6 today.

**School Photos**—Envelopes have been sent out today. Please return on the day of photos with money enclosed. Photo day is Tuesday 30th May.

## SCHOOL COUNCILLORS

President	Michelle Niedzwiedzki mob - available by request from the office
Vice President	Yvette Hind 0417 387 112
Buildings & Grounds	Yvette Hind, Andrew Macklan, Roly Kukainis
Other Councillors	Claire Lucas Gear, Janet Kay, Jessica Beveridge, Jeff Beck





# Community News

National Walk Safely to School Day (WSTSD) is on Friday 19 May 2017. Now in its 18th year, it is a campaign and annual event when all primary school children, their parents and carers are encouraged to walk and commute regularly and safely to school. It is a community event seeking to promote Road Safety, Health, Public Transport and the Environment.

Australian children are becoming less active. One substantial contributor is the decline in walking and/or taking public transport to school. Children who are regularly physically active are healthier, perform better academically and less likely to be obese or overweight, which can lead to the long-term and costly risks of heart disease and diabetes etc.. Walking regularly is the best exercise because you can build it into your daily routine.

The Objectives of National Walk Safely to School Day are:

- To encourage parents and carers to walk to school with primary school age children
- To promote the health benefits of walking and create regular walking habits
- To help children develop vital road crossing skills and ensure children up to the age of 10 years hold an adult's hand when crossing the road
- To help children develop the vital road-crossing skills they will need as they become mature pedestrians
- To reduce car dependency and traffic congestion
- To reduce the level of air pollution created by motor vehicles

## Bush Gothic - Press Release

Bush Gothic will be performing on **Sunday 28th May at 5pm at the Mount Beauty Auditorium**. The show will feature music from their new CD "The Natural Selection Australian Songbook" and the musical influence of the early Irish settlers. You can purchase tickets from the **Mount Beauty Newsagency**. The 2017 Café Culture Series is presented in **Mount Beauty** by the **Upper Kiewa Valley Regional Arts** working in collaboration with Just Shows To Go and is supported by the Victorian Government through Creative Victoria. Please book early to ensure your seat.

The upcoming Café Culture Series show featuring the Melbourne based trio "Bush Gothic" will arrive in regional Victoria fresh from their wildly successful UK tour. With sold out concerts in London and 5 star reviews across the UK, the band hopes to achieve equal success in each of the 16 towns that form the itinerary for their Just Shows To Go regional Victorian tour.

The performance will be held at the Mount Beauty Auditorium a cabaret style event, so bring along your drinks and nibbles.

Tickets available at Mount Beauty Newsagency: \$25, \$20 (members), \$10 (students). Sunday, May 28th, 5 p.m.

Supporting the Arts :)



## MT BEAUTY PRIMARY SCHOOL SKI SALE

**QUEEN'S BIRTHDAY WEEKEND**  
**SATURDAY 10 JUNE 2017 10AM - 1PM**  
**MT BEAUTY COMMUNITY CENTRE**

### GOT SKI GEAR TO SELL / DONATE ?

DON'T SELL ONLINE - SUPPORT YOUR LOCAL SCHOOL  
DROP OFF AT THE COMMUNITY CENTRE  
FRIDAY 09 JUNE 4-7PM OR ON SATURDAY 7.30-9AM

(ONLY ITEMS IN GOOD CONDITION WILL BE ACCEPTED)

## How to Submit Community News:

Articles can be sent to [tawonga.ps@edumail.vic.gov.au](mailto:tawonga.ps@edumail.vic.gov.au) by end of day Wednesday for inclusion in Community News.





### **BONFIRE NIGHT POSTPONED**

Due to the weather forecast of substantial rain the Bonfire night planned for this Saturday has been rescheduled until Saturday 27th May.

## **BIRKEBEINER NORDIC SKI CLUB**

### **JUNIOR CROSS COUNTRY SKI DEVELOPMENT CAMP 2017**

Saturday 22nd – Sunday 23rd July

This camp is for YOU if you are in Year 5 to Year 8 and want to:

- learn to Cross Country Ski
- improve your skiing to ski smoother and faster
- pick up some tips for the Joey Hoppet
- have some fun with other Birkie juniors

The cost will be \$50 (Non members \$75, includes \$25 student m'ship fee to BNSC)

Accommodation is at Outdoor School Bogong for Saturday night. Parents will need to arrange to meet us at Bogong at 8am or at Windy Corner, Falls Creek at 9am on Saturday morning. The camp will finish at Bogong at 3.30pm on Sunday. Meals (except Saturday lunch) will be provided and the club will provide great instruction. Cross Country skis can be hired from Mount Beauty Secondary College and transport will be the Bogong mini bus.

More information and Application forms are on the BNSC website [www.birkebeiner.org.au](http://www.birkebeiner.org.au) (click programs then junior camps)

Applications close 30<sup>th</sup> June 2017.

Any questions can be directed to Bron Gray at [bron.gray.ibag@gmail.com](mailto:bron.gray.ibag@gmail.com) or 0402105237.