

# Tawonga Primary School Newsletter

Healthy, Happy Children ... Learning to Live

Our vision: To educate students with the life skills necessary to achieve academic, social and emotional success.

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During February Lunch Orders will be available on Tuesdays NOT Mondays due to swimming.

Dear Families,

Families please mark Monday 11<sup>th</sup> February in your diary as we have a Community Twilight Sports and Picnic planned from 5pm – 7pm. This will be a great way for us to welcome our new families and to enjoy our wonderful small school community. Some of our 5/6 parents will be organising a meal deal for families. Please see the attached form to be returned by Friday. Sports to include egg and spoon, 3 legged race, giant parachute, novelty races etc.

Late last year we received a letter from the Uniting Church Op shop approving a donation of \$500 towards musical equipment for our music program. This will greatly assist Conrad in the delivery of a better music program for our students. The Op shop has been an ongoing supporter of our school and I encourage you to support them.

Attached to this newsletter is an information sheet written by Michael Grose regarding Positive Parenting. Michael is an expert in parenting having written a number of books. He appears regularly on TV and writes for newspapers around the country. Each fortnight we will be including a page for parents to read in our newsletter. The first sheet is titled "Boosting self-esteem with encouragement". His website is worth a look www.parentingideas.com.au

Parent/Teacher meetings Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> February 1-5pm. Time has been set aside for you to meet with your child's teacher to discuss their individual needs. Please fill in the form attached with your preferred availability. If you are unable to make it during this time please discuss alternative arrangements with your child's teacher.



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Preps receiving their Prep bags.



First of the Buddy Activity days

## **School Support Officer**

We congratulate and welcome Mrs Lou Wiebenga to our staff for 2013. Lou was successful in her application to become our Teachers Aide. Lou will be assisting on Mondays and Tuesdays.

## **School Council**

You will find in this newsletter nomination forms for school council. Nominations, including self-nominations open today and close on Friday Feb 22. Being a school council member is a great way for parents to become involved in school affairs, and I would recommend you give it some thought. If there are more nominations than positions and election process will be undertaken.

Tawonga Primary School Council for 2013 will consist of 6 parents, 2 Department Reps and 1 community member. The following councillors have 1 more year to service.

Mark Roffey, Clive Hawkins and Yvette Hind. Ellen Gorham has 1 year left as a DEECD representative.

Therefore we have the following vacancies: 3 parent and 1 community member.



Our current school timetable. This is subject to change:



Students had the opportunity to try out some instruments with Jarrod Policha from the School Band program this week.

We encourage all students in years 3-6 to consider taking the opportunity to learn a musical instrument. At \$45.00 for the year the Schools Band is a fantastic way to start.

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
Teacher's Aide -	Library (MARC	Studies of Asia –	Physical	Prep/1 in the
Lou	Van) fortnightly	<b>Indonesian</b> with	Education with	morning with Mrs
	with Mr Collins	Mrs Kovacs	Mrs Kovacs	Kovacs
			This will start	
	Art (MACC Van)	Music with Conrad	after swimming	<b>CRE</b> – Christian
	fortnightly with		has finished	Religious
	Jo	Literacy		Education
		<b>Intervention</b> with	Literacy	coordinator Lou
	Teacher's Aide –	Mrs Kovacs	<b>Intervention</b> with	Wiebenga
	Lou		Mrs Kovacs	Starting 1 <sup>st</sup> March
	Tad our maintenance man is here each			Buddy activities Prep/6
	morning			Prep/1 & 3/6
				Integrated
				Curriculum
				including sport
				with Mrs Kovacs
				and Mrs Gorham

**Our Teaching Staff** – Kim Franzke Principal full time, Ellen Gorham 4/5/6 teacher full time, Prep/1 Kellie Rutherfurd Mon-Thurs, Sue Kovacs Wed-Fri.

**Business Manager** – Lisa Ranton works Tues and Thurs and every second Wed. This may change depending on our needs and Bogong Outdoor Education Centre where Lisa works the rest of the week.

**MARC Van** – As we are the base school for this service Mr Collins spends each Friday with us doing his administration and preparation.

## **CALENDAR 2013**

# No Preps on Wednesdays in February

FEBRUARY	2013	
Friday	8	Storytime in the Kinder for 0-5yrs starts with Lou Wiebenga
Monday	11	Community Twilight Sports and Family Picnic 5-7pm. Welcome to new
		families.
Monday	11	Second Day of Swimming 1-3pm.
Tuesday	12	Art Day with Jo
Friday	15	Celebrate Tawonga P/6 activities after lunch families welcome to join in.
Wednesday	13	Swim Carnival – Years 3-6.
Monday	18	Third Day of Swimming 1-3pm. <b>First School Council Meeting 7pm.</b>
Tuesday	19	Library Day
Monday	25	Last Day of Swimming 1-3pm
MARCH	2013	
Tuesday	5	Life Education Van with Falls Creek Primary School
Friday	15	National Day of Action against Bullying and Violence. Whole School
		Lunch and afternoon activities.
Monday	18	School Council AGM 7.00pm.

## **ICY POLES**

Don't forget that Icy Poles are being sold at each day at lunchtime for \$1.00. Proceeds will go towards the Year 5/6 camp to Canberra.

## 2012 SCHOOL PRODUCTION

The DVDs of the School Production are being printed as we speak. Please order your copies with Lisa in the Office.

2 Disc edition with production, photos and Graduation \$15.00 1 Disc edition with production only \$10.00

## **PIANO LESSONS**

Kathy Seymour is once again looking at providing Piano lessons to students at school this year on Thursday mornings. If your child would like to begin lessons please leave your child's name with Lisa in the office or contact Kathy on 57545 252. For this to be viable for Kathy she will need a minimum number of students – currently she has 2 interested students.

## **EMA 2013**

EMA applications are due back to school by 28<sup>th</sup> February 2013. If you require another application form please see Lisa in the office.

#### **SUNSMART**

Just a reminder that Tawonga Primary School is a Sunsmart school. Students are required to wear a broad brimmed hat in Terms 1 and 4. No Hat, No Play.

New hats are on their way. The price has been increased to \$12.00 per hat. Lisa will advise when the new supply have arrived.

## 2013 Homework expectations for 4/5/6

Please complete the following each night. Spelling words will be given each Monday. A test for both times tables and spelling will be held each Friday.

- 1. Read your book for at least 20 minutes, (Year 4) or at least 30 minutes, (years 5 & 6). (Please sign the diary) ;-)
- 2. Times table one column.
- 3. Spelling one column.

\*\*I encourage all parents to read to their child/ren a few times a week. Find a novel to delve into together. Your enthusiasm will ultimately rub off on your kids, and it will greatly improve their comprehension and enjoyment of books.

\*\*Communication: I always love receiving notes from parents in your child's diary. It really helps me to stay in touch and because I check the diary daily I can deal with minor issues immediately. If you would like to see me or call me, just note it down and I will get in touch. Kind regards,

Ellen Gorham

# MT BEAUTY SCHOOLS' BAND PROGRAM

Learn a musical instrument for only \$45 per year!
Instrument hire available from \$50 - \$70 per semester.
Applications are through MBSC and are open until Feb 15 for all students from grade 4 onwards.

Contact Mr Jarrod Policha on (03) 57544005 for more information.



## **SPOOKY UKIE**

Private Ukulele and Instrumental lessons with Conrad Forrer. 1<sup>st</sup> Term 2013. Welcome to all students who are beginning or recommencing Ukulele lessons this term. Lessons at Tawonga Primary School will be on Wednesday during recess and lunchtimes. Spots are almost full so book in ASAP.

Please call Conrad on 0400 821 250 or 03 57541 722 to book in.

## Schedule 4 Notice of Election and Call for Nominations -

An election is to be conducted for members of the School Council of Tawonga Primary School. Nomination forms may be obtained from the school and must be lodged by 4.00 pm on Friday February 22, 2013. Please put in Red Box at office or hand to Kim directly

Following the closing of nominations a list of the nominations received will be posted at the school. The terms of office, membership categories and number of positions in each membership category open for election are as follows –

Membership category Term of office No. of positions Parent member From the day after the date of the declaration of the poll in 2012 to and inclusive of the date of the declaration of the poll in 2014 **Community Member** From the day after the date 1 of the declaration of the poll in 2012 to and inclusive of the date of the declaration of the poll in 2014

#### **School Council Elections**

## Schedule 5A Self-Nomination Form for Parent Member Category

You will be notified when your nomination has been received.

I wish to declare my candidacy for an elected position as a parent/guardian representative on the Tawonga Primary school council.

Primary school council.		
Home telephone:	Mobile telephone:	
		, who is/are currently enrolled at this school.
I am prepared to serve as a an undischarged bankrupt a		amed school council. I hereby declare that I am not g a sentence for an indictable offence.
You will be notified when you	our nomination has been receive	d.
I wish to nominaterepresentative on Tawonga Name	Primary school councilHome address :	for an elected position as a parent/guardian
Home telephone:	Mobile telephone:	
		, who is/are currently enrolled at this
I am prepared to serve as a an undischarged bankrupt		amed school council. I hereby declare that I am not g a sentence for an indictable offence.

# SWIMMING SPORTS WEDNESDAY FEB 13. Years 3-6.

## 2 x PARENT HELPERS NEEDED FOR MARSHALLING

**Time:** The first event will be underway at 9:30, so we are asking everyone to arrive by 9am. School bus travellers will stay on the buses and be met by teachers at the Mount Beauty end. They will also travel back on the buses.

**Dress:** Be sure to dress up in your house colours. Start with a tee-shirt of the right colour, and add ribbons, bands, pants, anything really! We will be making special hats at school.

Parent/teacher/coach novelty event: There will be a novelty race for adults to spice up the program somewhere in the middle of the day. If you can swim a couple of strokes, and don't mind donning flippers, shower cap snorkel, etc please bring your swimmers and join in the fun.

Please ensure that the following items are brought to the swimming sports to ensure you are protected if the weather is cool (check the forecast.)

□ School Polar Fleece	
☐ Tracksuit bottom or pants	
□ Socks and Track shoes	· (~~~
Along with the usual:	
□ Towel, bathers	3,000
□ Goggles	
□ Sun Top	
□ Sunscreen	
□ Sun Hat	
□ Drink	
☐ Healthy Snacks and Lunch	

Optional: Money to buy one icy pole or drink at lunchtime. No other items are to be purchased.

Please Note: Students being picked up from the pool, should be picked up by 3.15pm at the latest, otherwise students will be put on bus to go back to school/home.

Indigo Blue	Kiewa Green	Mitta Red	Murray Yellow
Mitchell	Sam C	Lox	Sidney
Henri-Jack	Madeline C	Phillip	Jacob
Jeniffer	Emelia	Isabella O	Elina
Lilia	Phoebe	Isabella C	
	Thomas	Braidy O	
		Riva	

# Twilight BBQ 5/6 Camp Fundraiser

The parents and children in 5/6 are working towards raising money in order to lower the cost of the camp to Canberra. At the 'Twilight Sports and Family Picnic' this coming Monday we will be offering a BBQ dinner.

To assist with catering the following meal deals will be available to pre-order. **ONLY** Individual purchases will be available on the night.

## Family Meal Deal \$25

- 6 Sausages
- 2 Hamburgers (or vegie burger)
- 4 Drinks
- 4 Cakes

#### Individual Meal Deal \$6

- 1 Sausage
- 1 Hamburger (or vegie burger) (or 2 sausages)
- 1 Drink
- 1 Cake

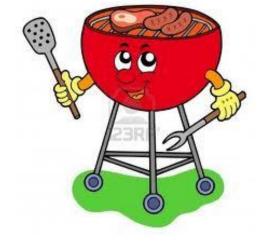
## Kids Meal Deal \$3

- 1 Sausage
- 1 Cake

#### **Individual Prices**

- Sausage \$2.00
- Hamburger \$3.00 (or vegie burger)
- Drink \$1.00 - Cake \$1.00
- All sausages and hamburgers served with optional coleslaw, onion and sauce

If you would like to place an order please fill in the following form and return to school by Friday  $8^{th}$  February with payment enclosed.



NAME:			

Number of Meal Deals	Deal	Tick for a vegie burger
	Family Meal Deal	
	Individual Meal Deal	
	Kids Meal Deal	

Payment is required with orders. Please leave orders and payment at the school office by this **Friday**, **8**<sup>th</sup> **February**.

## **COMMUNITY NEWS**

# <u>Calisthenics Victoria Presents –</u> February 'Come & Try' Month!

What is Calisthenics we hear you ask? Put simply, it's the perfect mix of sport and performing arts, combining elements of gymnastics, modern dance, ballet, singing, mime and apparatus technique. Calisthenics inspires people of all ages to be more confident and work as part of a team, while fostering community spirit and lifelong friendships.

We offer classes in 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> term with a mid-year performance in Wodonga and End of Year display in Mount Beauty.

We will be holding a registration day to get all details on any students wanting to do Calisthenics in 2013, this is not an ACTIVE class, it is so we can sort all students in to appropriate classes to begin the year.

REGISTRATION DAY: Tuesday

12<sup>th</sup> Feb 4—5pm

Community hall

CLASSES WILL BEGIN: Tuesday

19<sup>th</sup> Feb Times to be e-mailed If you need any further information you can contact PENNY CLEARY 0260244817 or mpcleary@aapt.net.au

All new students will go into the draw to win one of 5 Calisthenics Victoria prize packs!

## **Mt Beauty Tennis Club**

Saturday Morning Junior Tennis Competition Commences Saturday, 9th Feb. at 9am. This comp. will run for the duration of term 1. Teams will be organised for all interested players (beginners to experienced). Players need to be a club member (\$40 per year) and a weekly ball fee of \$1 will be charged.

Register your interest with: Andrea Moorman Ph: 57545399

## **Mt.Beauty Soccer Club**

Total Girl Soccer Tournament, Ballarat 22<sup>nd</sup>-24<sup>th</sup> March

Training this Monday 6.30pm, girls please bring your shin pads & plenty of drinking water!!!

Training will be held at the high school ground. So far the numbers are very good for the U15's & U12's but it's still early, getting back to school will help boost the numbers.

Four teams (2 x U15's, 1 x U12's, 1 x U11'S) are registered so I will organize accommodation this coming week hopefully we can get everybody into the same place as last year.

Parents: for Ballarat the girls will need long black socks, black shorts, shin pads (it is compulsory to wear shin pads at training as well as game day).

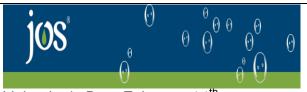
If you need football boots there are some that have been given to the club for rotation, just ask me!

If anyone has any fundraising or sponsorship ideas so the girls can raise some money to help fund the trip I am all ears.

President

Ron Crawford: 57544886 or 0413 339 570

Or Andrea Moorman: 57545399



Valentine's Day February 14<sup>th</sup>

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