

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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Dear Families,

This is your last chance to nominate yourself or someone else for school council. Nominations close this Friday at 4pm. I encourage you to think about getting involved, it is a great way to support our great school. If you are interested in being on a sub-committee this is another way you can show your support.

Our students have settled into classroom routines extremely well. Sue has been busy with her intervention program and Lou will be supporting the teachers and students as well. We have a 1:10 teacher/student ratio for literacy 4 mornings a week which allows our students the individualised attention that our school is known for.

Congratulations to our Year 3-6 students for a great day at the swimming sports last Wednesday. The following students will be competing at the next level on Tuesday 26th February Sam and Madeline Cariss, Bella and Braidy O'Brien and Isabella Casey.

Yesterday we had a 'Playgrounds for Learning' meeting where a few parents and I met with Malcolm Lee from Dreamers Designs to start planning our school grounds masterplan. The plan is to work on a 5 year plan for school grounds improvements. Our first priority is to fix up our main play equipment. We hope to reuse and redesign the components to minimise costs and use natural and recycled materials where possible.

Our Kinder students have settled in well. I encourage you to pass on the word that there are still places in the 3&4 year old programs. The days are Monday and Wednesday 8.30am-4pm.

New families if you are interested in using before and after school care (OSHC) there are enrolment packs at the office. We encourage all families to be registered as it is useful to

use if there is an emergency and you are running late for pick up.

Families and friends if you are on Facebook consider becoming friends with our school just search for Tawonga Primary School. It is an easy way to stay informed about what we are up to.

Kim Franzke
Principal

Swim Sports



CELEBRATE TAWONGA PS DAY FRIDAY 22nd February

We have some fun buddy activities planned
Fence Art, Mosaics & Cooking

Drew Bear welcome Picnic Lunch in the
Gully.

Bring your Teddy
and your normal lunch

Parents are welcome to join us

CALENDAR 2013

FEBRUARY	2013	
Friday	22	Celebrate Tawonga P/6 activities lunch families welcome to join in.
Monday	25	Last Day of Swimming 1-3pm
MARCH	2013	
Friday	1	CRE begins.
Tuesday	5	Life Education Van with Falls Creek Primary School
Thurs/Fri	7/8	Kim attending annual Regional Principal's Conference
Monday	11	Labour Day Holiday
Friday	15	National Day of Action against Bullying and Violence. Whole School Lunch and afternoon activities.
Monday	18	School Council AGM 7.00pm.
Friday	22	Ride2School Day
Thursday	28	Last Day Of Term 1. Crazy Hair Day.
APRIL	2013	
Monday	15	First Day of Term 2
Thursday	25	Anzac Day Holiday
Friday	26	Pupil Free Day
Tuesday	30	School Photos

New policies ratified by school council

The following policies were ratified by school council on Monday evening. All our policies are available for viewing at the main office.

- Drug Education
- Purchasing
- Internet Banking -
- Anaphylaxis – **Please note:** As we do not currently have any students who are under a management plan for any anaphylactic reactions we do not have a ban on the consumption of nuts or any other foods at present.

EMA APPLICATIONS

Please ensure that your EMA Application if applicable is handed back to Lisa at the Office by no later than Thursday 28th February. The first round of payments will start in the first week of March. If you have misplaced your form please contact Lisa in the school office for a replacement.

Unfortunately late applications may not be accepted.

CHICKEN POX

We have had a confirmed case this week of Chicken Pox at our school.

Chickenpox is a highly contagious viral illness that causes a red, itchy rash that forms blisters.

- Chickenpox is a highly contagious virus that causes a red, itchy rash.
- For most people chickenpox will be mild and resolves by itself.
- Treatments include rest, calamine lotion and paracetamol.
- In Australia a vaccine is available to protect against the infection.

What it is

Chickenpox is a highly contagious viral illness that causes a red, itchy rash that forms blisters. It's caused by the varicella zoster virus, which is part of the herpes group of viruses. Anyone can get chickenpox but it's most common among children under 12 and is usually a relatively mild illness. In adults or for anyone with impaired immunity, the infection can be more severe.

The virus that causes chickenpox is the same virus that causes shingles in adults. Shingles occurs when the chickenpox virus stays in the nerve cells after a chickenpox infection becomes active again. It only occurs in people who've already had chickenpox.

Chickenpox is spread through coughing and sneezing during the early stage of infection and through contact with the fluid from the broken blisters of the rash in later stages of the illness. The infection is especially contagious to those who haven't been immunised or have never had chickenpox. Once you've had chickenpox it's unlikely to reoccur.

The onset of chickenpox usually starts about 10 to 21 days after you catch the virus. Symptoms include:

- Fever
- Headache
- Sore throat
- Backache
- Generally feeling unwell
- Skin rash - clusters of spots that are usually very itchy. These spots start as small lumps that turn into blisters then scabs. They take about 16 days to heal.

Complications of chickenpox include scarring and cellulitis (a type of bacterial infection of the skin). Sometimes the infection can cause serious complications such as pneumonia and encephalitis (inflammation of the brain). Very rarely chickenpox can be fatal.

Doctors will diagnose chickenpox through a physical examination. Blood tests and tests of blister fluid may also be carried out to confirm the diagnosis.

CHOCOLATE MOULDS

If anyone has any chocolate moulds they would not mind lending to school for Fridays chocolate making activities it would be much appreciated. We are looking for chocolate frogs, plain round or square, different shapes etc. We don't want any Easter themed ones at this stage. (eg easter eggs, easter bunnies etc).

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	3
Community 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	1

School Council Elections

Schedule 5A Self-Nomination Form for Parent Member Category

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

Name.....Home address :

Home telephone: Mobile telephone:

Email:

I am the parent/guardian of, who is/are currently enrolled at this school.

I am employed by Department of Education and Early Childhood Development: Yes / No

I am prepared to serve as a Parent member of the above-named school council. I hereby declare that I am not an undischarged bankrupt and that I am not currently serving a sentence for an indictable offence.

Signature of Candidate: Date:

You will be notified when your nomination has been received.

Schedule 5B Nomination Form for Parent Member Category

I wish to nominate for an elected position as a parent/guardian representative on Tawonga Primary school council.

Name.....Home address :

Home telephone: Mobile telephone:

Email:

I am the parent/guardian of, who is/are currently enrolled at this school.

I am employed by Department of Education and Early Childhood Development: Yes / No

I am prepared to serve as a Parent member of the above-named school council. I hereby declare that I am not an undischarged bankrupt and that I am not currently serving a sentence for an indictable offence.

Signature of Candidate: Date:

You will be notified when your nomination has been received.

Year 4/5/6 News:

The 4/5/6 kids have settled well into classroom routines. Could I remind parents and students of the following please:

- Bring completed Times Table and Spelling homework to school each day.
- Read for half an hour each night and write in your diary.
- Have a hat at school.

Year 6 students will also begin Maths homework next week, (week 5). I am aware that some students are juggling school and many sporting commitments, but I am afraid that you are traveling towards high school at a rapid pace and homework is set to increase a great deal, so I encourage you to be diligent, organized and consistent!

Our Junior School council is working hard to organise several events and I am thrilled with their enthusiasm.

I am talking with students about self-discipline and self-motivation in class. Here are some examples of different students...



MINI MINOR

The Mini Minor running SMOOTHLY on SELF MOTIVATION!!

The self-motivated person – Turn the key on and away they perform.

The KEY to self-discipline: Being able to motivate yourself into action.



SNOWFLAKES

Snowflakes melting under pressure!

First cousins to billy carts.

Melts as soon as the pressure is on saying: "I can't, this is too hard!"



Carts

Carts have to be pushed all the time!!!

To move a cart up a small hill or on level you need someone to push you – Take away the external push and it doesn't move. We are all, at times, carts – only work or behave when parents, teachers, coaches, etc. are present.

I am encouraging all my students to be **Mini Minors**, both at home and in class!

Keep up your hard work everyone!

Mrs G.



NATIONAL RIDE2SCHOOL DAY 2013

Friday 22 March 2013 marks the seventh National Ride2School Day, which is expected to see students from more than 1,500 Australian schools walk, ride, scoot or skate to school, many trying it for the first time.



Ride2School Day is about encouraging the school community to make active travel a normal part of their everyday lives. There are many benefits for children and the school community resulting from encouraging active travel as part of the school culture. Three great points that highlight the benefits active travel to parents and teachers are:

- Riding to school will reduce traffic around the school, making the school trip quicker
- Students will arrive at school alert and are more attentive in class
- Riding helps develop important life skills, in addition to increasing confidence.



CRAZY HAIR DAY

The Junior School Council presents.....

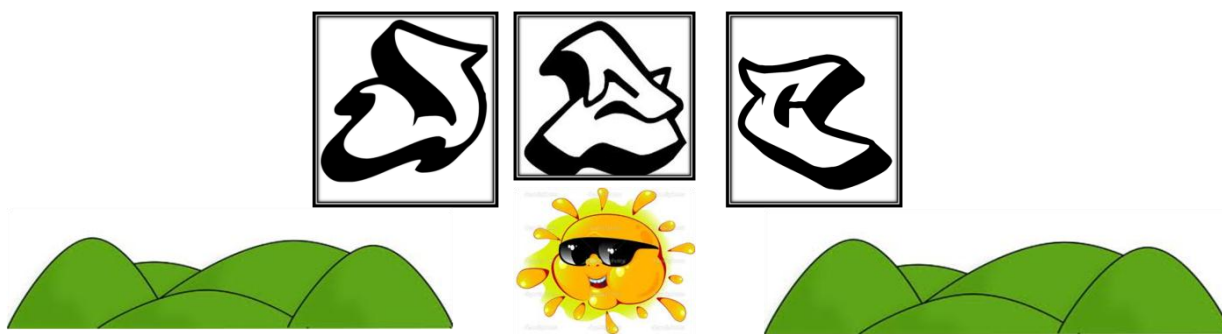
Tawonga Primary Schools

Crazy Hair Day

This will be held on Thursday 28th March (Last Day of Term 1). Come to school with coloured, messy, Mohawk, whatever takes your fancy hair!! Get your thinking caps on and create your best Do.

A gold coin donation is required and will be donated to the Tawonga CFA.





Tawonga Primary School Junior School Council News:

Hello everyone! Welcome to the T.P.S. Junior School Council News Page. This term your representatives are: Sam Cariss, (School Captain), Phillip Hobbs, Phoebe Roffey, Bella Casey, Billy Hanley and Emelia Roffey. Next term 6 new member will take this place, so that by the end of the year everyone in 4/5/6 will have had a go at this leadership role.

At the moment our main focus is fundraising for the year 5/6 camp in May. The camp costs more than \$500. So far we have been able to reduce the cost of the camp by about \$50 per student, but we can do better than that...

We will let everyone know what we are doing in the next couple of weeks...

Also please keep an eye out for our Posters for:

- Crazy Hair Day – End of Term Fundraiser for the CFA.

We will be continuing to sell icy-poles daily for \$1 each. We are making about \$15-\$18 a day.

In term 2 we would like to start **T.P.S. Master Chef**, which was a very popular weekly event a couple of years ago. We are super keen to give this a re-vamp, but we might need some mums or dads to help. We will keep you posted!

We will be having weekly or fortnightly meetings, on Tuesdays at lunchtime.

SWIMMING SPORTS WEDNESDAY 13TH FEBRUARY



*Well done to the Students from
Tawonga Primary School for their
great effort on the day!!.*



COMMUNITY NEWS

The Upper Kiewa Valley Community

Association Inc

invites you to attend a
Public Forum
on

Thursday 28 February,
7.30pm
at the

Visitor Information Centre Auditorium.

For more information, please call 03 5754
1668.

The Upper Kiewa Valley Community
Association Inc. was formed last year in
response to community concerns in regard to
communication between the Community and
the Alpine Shire and other Government
Agencies.

Mt.Beauty Soccer Club

Total Girl Soccer Tournament, Ballarat 22nd -
24th 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

MOUNT BEAUTY ROTARY MONSTER GARAGE SALE

The Rotary Club of Mount Beauty is sending
two talented Mount Beauty Secondary College
students to a two week National Science
Challenge to expose them to the brightest and
best minds in Australia. To help fund the
project we are holding a Monster Garage Sale.

*Come along and pick up a bargain AND
support a worthwhile cause!
The students will be running the BBQ.*

When: Saturday 30th March 2013 from
8.00am to 1.00pm

Where: Kiewa Valley Hwy, Tawonga
South, opposite Falls Creek Coaches

Donation of goods:

We urgently require goods to
sell.

If you can donate any goods
(except mattresses and televisions)
please

Call: 575404453 or
0418 148 034 to arrange a time for delivery or
pick up

To: Pyle's Shed
(opposite Falls Creek Coaches)

On: any Wednesday
until the end of March

*Don't miss it: There'll be heaps of
fabulous bargains.*

Rotary serving the community.

MOUNT BEAUTY MUSIC FESTIVAL VOLUNTEERS WANTED

We need your help. Mount Beauty Music
Festival needs your help from:

Friday 19th April to Sunday 21st April 2013.

You can earn a discounted ticket to the
Festival, so please call Gill by 26th February.

Phone: 0427052572 or email:

ticketing@musicfestival.org.au

MOUNT BEAUTY GOLF CLINICS

3 Fridays in March, 8, 15 and 22.

Starting times 9.30am and 11.00am at Mt Beauty Golf Course.

Aimed specifically at beginners, women and students.

Afternoons will be for senior primary school students and secondary school students and Golf Club Members.

Lessons with qualified golf professional, Penny Graeber. Equipment can be provided. Wear flat shoes.

Enquiries – Liz Harvey 57544077.

Application forms at Mt Beauty Newsagents or Tawonga South Store.

Sponsored by Golf Victoria and Mt Beauty Golf Club.



www.mcinstitute.com.au

Phone: 03 57 5411 66

Email: info@mcinstitute.com.au

1 Tennis Court Avenue Mount Beauty

FIRST AID COURSES

Apply First Aid Full Course (2

Sessions): 9:00am – 5:00pm Wednesday 6 March & Thursday 7 March 2013

Apply First Aid Refresher (1 Session):

9:00am – 5:00pm Wednesday 6 March 2013

CPR update (1 Session): Noon-4:00pm

Tuesday 5 March 2013

Anaphylaxis (1 Session): 9:00am -

11:00am Tuesday 5 March 2013

RESPONSIBLE SERVICE OF ALCOHOL

1 Session: 6:00pm Monday 25

February 2013



DEDERANG MOUNT BEAUTY FOOTBALL NETBALL CLUB

'WE'RE ON YOUR SIDE'

**Sides of Kiewa Valley Prime Hereford
Steers**

**Hand selected from Running Creek
Herefords and Beltana Enterprises**

**Cut, packed and labelled to your
specifications by Tawonga South Butchery.
Free home delivery in the Albury/Wodonga
area.**

\$6.50 kg average side weight 120 kg

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Telephone (03) 57 541 888



DEDERANG MOUNT BEAUTY FOOTBALL NETBALL CLUB

WOOD DRIVE 2013

The Football/Netball Club are taking wood
drive orders

Mixed Species @ \$90.00 per metre delivered

Please call

Caroline Ozolins (02) 60 275 203 or Cindy
Ryder (02) 60 289 280

if you would like to place an order