



# 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 week our Year 3 & 5 students have been hard at work completing NAPLAN testing (National Assessment Program Literacy and Numeracy). These tests are taken seriously, however it needs to be remembered that it only gives a snapshot of a student's knowledge on a given day. Our students did a great job and gave their best effort. Students completed 4 tests – Language Conventions, Persuasive Writing, Reading and Numeracy. Results will not be available until Term 3.

Last Friday was a successful Fun Run thanks to the hard work of Sue and the many helpers who volunteered to assist. Once again we had a large number of volunteer parents who made the day a success. We cannot run events like these without your assistance. Also, thank you to Bob who made a reappearance to help mow the back paddock and be a guest starter on the day. The Ryder family also make their property available for us to use each year and this is appreciated.

Well done to the following 4 students who will be representing our school with other students from our cluster at the divisional cross country this Friday in Wodonga.

Bella O'Brien 4<sup>th</sup> 12 year old girls  
Isabella Casey 1<sup>st</sup> 10 year old girls  
Phoebe Roffey 4<sup>th</sup> 10 year old girls  
Braidy O'Brien 1<sup>st</sup> 8/9 year old boys

Next week our year 5/6 students will be off to Canberra with Mrs Gorham and parent Stuart Cariss along with staff and students from Mt Beauty. This will be a trip to remember with an action packed itinerary planned for the students.

**Kim Franzke**  
Principal



## Working Bee

Sunday 19<sup>th</sup> May  
from 9am

help needed to move furniture  
and pull up old carpet in the  
multi purpose room.

Please RSVP to Kim by Friday

## CALENDAR 2013

<b>MAY</b>	<b>2013</b>	
<b>Monday</b>	<b>20</b>	Year 5/6 Canberra Camp
<b>Wednesday</b>	<b>22</b>	Kinder/School Readiness Information session for parents of preschool and kinder children. Hoppet Office 7-8pm
<b>Friday</b>	<b>24</b>	Year 5/6 Return from Canberra
<b>Thursday</b>	<b>30</b>	Pet Ownership Incursion
<b>JUNE</b>	<b>2013</b>	
<b>Monday</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>Book Fair and Tawonga Primary School Open Day. School Council.</b>
<b>Monday</b>	<b>10</b>	Queen's Birthday Holiday.
<b>Tuesday</b>	<b>11</b>	Year 3/4 Hooptime – Wodonga
<b>Tuesday</b>	<b>18</b>	Year 5/6 Hooptime - Wodonga

### *News from Prep / 1*

#### Literacy

As a class we have been looking at letters Cc, Aa, Dd, Gg, Oo, Ff, Qq, Uu, Ee, and Bb. The prep students are working hard understanding a letter, and that you can put letters together to make words e.g. sat, pat, tap.

Reading to your child is a valuable thing to do. With the take home readers', remember to discuss the pictures in the book and encourage your child to talk about the pictures.

In writing we are focusing on recounts (diary writing) and narratives (fantasy). The preps are learning to form letters and write simple sentences (I can jump).

Coming home in the reader folders will be high frequency words (Red level....Magic 100 words). Please show and say the words to your child. Year 1 students can use these words for spelling practise.

#### Numeracy / Maths

Our focus in maths this term is on number, counting, space/shape, measurement. In class the students are looking at counting patterns. Some are counting by 1s to 100, while other students have been counting by 2s to 30. Year 1s are working on addition to 10. With shapes the students are looking at circles, squares, rectangles and triangles.

#### Integrated Studies

Our focus in integrated studies this term is 'Community'. So far the students have been looking at: what is a community, who lives in a community and how our community can help us learn (Community Club on Friday).

#### Fun Run

I would like to thank everybody for helping and participating at the Fun Run. It really was a terrific day. Prep / One students' had a ball, playing with Dederang, Falls Creek and Mt Beauty Primary School. It is lovely to see all the students interacting with each other in such a positive way. Great Work Everyone!!!!

Kind Regards  
Kellie Rutherford



## FUN RUN 2013





### HEAD LICE

Please remember to keep checking your child/rens hair for Head Lice. We also request that if your child's hair is long we ask that they tie it back.

### JUMP ROPE FOR HEART

We will be holding a Jump Rope for Heart day on the last day of Term 2. All students have been busy skipping during sport, recess and lunch in preparation. This however is not compulsory but we would love to have your child/rens participation. All funds raised will go to the Heart Foundation. Please register online as explained below and get your family and friends to come on board and sponsor you. A sponsorship form is attached to this newsletter.



Hey Mum and Dad

Did you know heart disease affects 2 out of every 3 families?

Help your child to have fun and support the Heart Foundation at the same time. Register our child online and simply press send to all your family and friends! It's easy, safe and secure.

**[www.heartfoundation.org.au/sites/jumpropeforheart](http://www.heartfoundation.org.au/sites/jumpropeforheart)**

Send emails to family and friends asking for sponsorship.

Heart Foundation

*Jump Rope for Heart*

### HOOPTIME BASKETBALL

Hooptime will be taking place in June. It has been decided that this will be a school run excursion so students are expected to attend. This will complement our Sports program and teach students the importance of teamwork and having a go. Staff will be attending. Forms were sent home 2 weeks ago. We require these to be returned by TOMORROW so we can finalise registration. Thank you to Kelly Roffey who is assisting with the organisation.

### COMMUNITY NEWS



**Mount Beauty 3km, 10km and Half Marathon**  
**Saturday 18<sup>th</sup> May, 2013**  
**Starts 10am at Les Peart Oval**

All kids receive a bag of lollies on finishing!

Kids activities at the finish line!

Prizes for placegetters and spot prizes too!

All participants go into the draw for a new mountain bike.

**Register before 13<sup>th</sup> May and get your name on your bib!**

Register online at:

[www.mtbeauty.com/mt-beauty-half-marathon/](http://www.mtbeauty.com/mt-beauty-half-marathon/)

Or enter on the day between 8-9am

(Note late entry fee applies for all events except 3 km event)

3km event \$6 for U16, \$10 for age 16 plus

A great day for the whole family!

Further details phone 0438 556 583