



# Tawonga Newsletter

Primary School

"Happy, Healthy Children...Learning to Live"

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## Our Vision:

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

## 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 are a group of people with a common interest.

## EXCELLENCE

Striving to be the best we can be.

## Message from the Principal:

Dear Parents

Another busy week here at Tawonga Primary School.

This week the student's Skyped Cambodia and spoke with Sarah and Ebony. The students were very interested and excited to speak with both students regarding their adventures while over in Cambodia.

Last week saw the first week of our Prep transitions. Tawonga Primary School has 5 Preps enrolled for 2014 and they had a very enjoyable afternoon, familiarising themselves with classroom activities. We look forward to our new Preps spending time in the classroom over the coming weeks so their transition in 2014 is as smooth as possible.



Alec and Gabrielle enjoying the first Prep Transition day last week.

Friday we have NE Water visiting the school as part of National Water Week. Falls Creek PS students will be joining us also. The 2 schools will be involved in listening to a presentation and joining in some activities in the afternoon.



Sarah and Ebony talking to students over Skype.

Most students have been registered to take part in the National Wordmania Challenge. This is a competition which students can access from home. The students are finding this very engaging.

A reminder to families that we strongly encouraged you to make a time with either myself or your child's teacher if you have any concerns regarding what is going on at school. We encourage open communication between families. Please do not wait, the earlier concerns can be discussed the sooner a positive outcome can be reached.

Kim Franzke

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## YEAR 3/4 CAMP

**A reminder to parents that full payment for the Year 3/4 camp to Howman's Gap is now due.**

**Reminder - Pupil Free Day on Monday 4th November**

**OSHC available if enough interest with prior booking**

# Prep, 1 News

## Dear Parents

Welcome to week 3

What a great week it has been!

## LITERACY

In Literacy we are looking at the use of describing words in reading and writing. This is helping the students develop an understanding that their writing can communicate ideas, feelings and information.

## MATHS

In Maths we will continue to work on addition and subtraction, with a term focus on improving speed and accuracy of mental calculations. Any help at home with counting practise will be very helpful.

## INTEGRATED THEME

As part of our Cultural theme this term we have been looking at Aboriginal Dreamtime stories and how these stories help us understand and appreciate the traditional owners of the land.

Also this week the students have been working hard to develop their own Dreamtime stories (so stay tuned, they are nearly ready).

## OTHER

### Kinder Transition

What a fantastic Friday afternoon with the new preps – Kinder transition was a great success. The children enjoyed a book about green things that live in our garden and then made their own green book to take home to read with mum and dad. I look forward to next Friday for some more adventures.

### Homework tasks will be sent home on a weekly basis this term.

Homework for week 1 and 2 involves listening to your child read. This week I will be sending home spelling words from the Magic 100 Word list. It is great if the children just practise writing them out. If you feel adventurous, you could choose 2 words to write in a sentence.

### Have a great week

Kellie



## EMA 2014

The Education Maintenance Allowance (EMA) helps to cover the costs related to your child's schooling. The EMA provides families on a low income with financial assistance to support their child's education up to the age of 16.

### Education Maintenance Allowance in 2014

In 2014, the EMA payments to eligible parents will be:

- \$117.50 to \$200 for parents of eligible Prep students
- \$117.50 to \$150 for parents of all other eligible primary school students
- \$235 to \$300 for parents of eligible Year 7 students
- \$235 to \$250 for parents of all other eligible secondary school students up to the age of 16.

The EMA is paid in two instalments annually (70% in March and 30% in August).

To be eligible for the EMA:

1. Your child must be under the age of sixteen; and
2. Your child must be enrolled at a primary or secondary Government or registered school in Victoria on, 28 February 2014 for the first instalment and 1 August 2014 for the second instalment; and
3. You must on 28 January 2014 for the first instalment and 14 July 2014, for the second instalment:

- be a parent or legal guardian of the student; and
- be an eligible beneficiary within the meaning of the State Concessions Act 2004, that is, be a holder of Veterans Affairs Gold Card or be an eligible Health Care Card (HCC) or Pensioner Concession Card (PCC) holder or
- be a temporary foster parent.

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- Submit your application to the school by the due date:
- 28 February 2014 for the first instalment\*
- 1 August 2014 for the second instalment.

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\* Please note: you only need to make a second application in August if your child changes schools between March and August.

The Pension Concession Card (PCC) or Health Care Card (HCC) is subject to electronic confirmation with Centrelink to verify that the cardholder is receiving a benefit.

## Twilight Festival Helpers

Our Twilight Festival is fast approaching. The Parent Group have been busy finalising details for this great event. Helpers will be required on the day to assist with the following events.

**Leading Ponies, Fairy Floss and Donut stall, BBQ and Drinks stall, Ticket Sales, Craft Corner, Kids Games.**

If anyone is able to assist with any of the above stalls please write your name and preferred activity on the list in the office.

To ensure the success of this event we would appreciate as much assistance as families are able to provide.



# CALENDAR OF EVENTS:

# OCTOBER

MON	TUES	WED	THURS	FRI	SAT/SUN
			24	25 NE Water Visit	26/27
28	29 Library	30 School Council 7pm Finance 7.30pm General	31 Sex Ed. Yrs 5-6.	<b>NOV 1</b> P/2 Cluster Junior Sports Day at Tawonga 9.30-1pm 2014 Prep Transition 2-3.30pm	2/3
<b>4 Pupil Free Day</b>	<b>5 Melbourne Cup Holiday</b>	6 3/4 Camp Howmans Gap	7 3/4 Camp Howmans Gap  Buddy Day Year 6 BOEC	8 3/4 Camp Howmans Gap	9/10
11 Year 6 Spelling Bee 9.30am	<b>12</b> Library Speech Therapy	13	14	15 <b>TPS Twilight Festival 4pm- late</b> 2014 Prep Transition 2-3.30pm	16/17
18 Spelling Bee Grand Final Tawonga Hall	<b>19</b>	20	21 Swimming 1-3pm	22 Swimming 1-3pm	23/24

## REMINDERS

**PARENT GROUP** - Meetings to be held each Monday at Tawonga Store after drop off until Twilight Festival. All Welcome to attend.

**2013 SCHOOL FEES** - Families still owing fees for 2013 would have received a statement this week with amounts owing. Please pay these to the office ASAP, alternatively please speak with Kim or Lisa regarding payment plans.

## SCHOOL COUNCILLORS

President	Mark Roffey 0437 131 778 roffey.mark.m@edumail.vic.gov.au
Vice President	Katrina Vazzoler 0438 310 068
Buildings & Grounds	Davide Angelini 03 57541 192
Other Councillors	Clive Hawkins, Yvette Hind, Graeme Boote, Ellen Gorham Jane Zagorski





# Community News

## **MOUNT BEAUTY TENNIS CLUB**

**Official opening of our resurfaced courts**

**10am Sunday 10<sup>th</sup> November**

**BBQ & drinks on sale.**

**Free Tennis.**

**Fun kids & adults games**

**Prizes**

**Fastest serve competitions with a 'speed radar'**

**Members and non members all welcome**

**Bring a friend or two.**

**At 1pm the Club President will officially open the new courts.**

**Officials from Tuff Turf, Alpine Shire and other government bodies**

**involved with the court resurfacing project will be present.**

**For queries please ring:**

**Rob Cabion – 0417 375 366**

**Andrea Moorman – 03 5754 5399**

## **MOUNT BEAUTY COMMUNITY MARKET**

**When:** Saturday 2nd November.

**Where:** In the grounds of the Community Centre.

**Time:** Between 9am and 1pm.

Interested stallholders please call Bev on 57544097

## *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.





**Mt Beauty Brumbies Basketball Association**

**Annual General Meeting**

will be held at

**6.00pm Monday 28 October 2013**

At the Mt Beauty Stadium  
(swimming pool complex)

All welcome

Ph 0419 399737 for further information



**Mount Beauty Kindergarten Association  
Incorporated**

**Notice of Special General Meeting**

**Tuesday 26 November 2013**

The Mount Beauty Kindergarten Committee invites all members to attend a Special General Meeting (SGM) on Tuesday 26 November 2013 at 7.30pm to be held at the Mount Beauty Kindergarten, Lake View Children's Centre, Mount Beauty.

The purpose of the SGM is to ask members to vote in relation to winding up the Mount Beauty Kindergarten Association and forming the Lake View Children's Centre Family & Friends Group.

Please contact Julie Tryhorn (E [try: bon@bigpond.com](mailto:bon@bigpond.com) or M 0418 607 759) should you have any questions in relation to the SGM or proposed changes.

**INTRODUCTION TO NATURAL HORSEMANSHIP  
PROGRAM**

**For Children Ages 8 and Over—with Daisy Kiellor**

**FOR CHILDREN THAT:**

- Love horses
- Have no experience with horses at all
- Can already ride—however, need more horse communication skills
- Would benefit from more confidence and leadership skills

**WHAT THEY WILL GAIN FROM THE PROGRAM:**

- How to be safe around horses both on and off ground
- Horse communication skills
- Introduction to riding
- Leadership skills
- Increased confidence and respect for both horse and human.

**OPEN DAY—ALL WELCOME**

**MONDAY 28TH OCTOBER**

**4.30PM—5.30PM**

**Bogong Horseback Adventures**

**Fredas Lane, Tawonga**

For more information regarding the horsemanship program call Daisy on 0415252382 or 0357544849.

**THE TUNING IN TO KIDS PROGRAM**

**The Tuning in to Kids program** supports parents/carers to become more aware of their child's emotions and how to tune into their emotions. Parents learn how to develop an ability to label and understand their child's emotions and how to support children in learning to regulate their emotions. Parents/carers are more able to use their children's emotional experiences as an opportunity for connecting, teaching and problem solving.

This program will run over 5 weeks for 2 hours and is aimed at parents of pre-school and primary aged children, although these skills are relevant for all ages.

**Dates – Wednesday 23<sup>rd</sup> October-20<sup>th</sup> November, 2013**

**Time – 7.00 pm-9.00 pm**

**Venue – Mount Beauty Primary School**

**Bookings essential**

**Please contact Judy at Gateway Community Health on**

**02 60 228800, by Friday 18<sup>th</sup> October.**



### PIRATES OF THE CURRY BEAN

#### Term 4, Week 3.

The roles are set and the dancing has begun. Students have made a lot of progress in a short amount of time and this is awesome!

Please keep collecting props, and start thinking about your costume. Students should have a list of items that are needed for their costumes now.

Please keep learning your lines, because from Monday November 4 its SCRIPTS DOWN! (actually no school until the 6th, so you have a couple of extra days...)

PROP:\*\*\* One large prop we will require is a wooden barrel that can be cut in half. Please let us know if you have one that could be used.



Thanks. Mrs G.

**WEDNESDAY 18TH DECEMBER AT TAWONGA HALL.**

**7PM START.**

# Guess who

This person is in 2/3 class and likes footy. His favourite food is meat lover's pizza and loves his teddy chocolate bear. His favourite toy is his remote control car. He rides his motorbike when he gets home from school and watches TV. He likes playing with toy cars. His favourite TV show is Big Brother. His dream job is a pro BMX rider. His favourite brand of BMX is fashionalised. His favourite chocolate bar is Snickers and his favourite ice-cream is Zombie. His favourite state is Queensland because he loves the beach and it never goes under 5 degrees. He also like fishing. The biggest fish he has caught is a trout. He loves JB HiFi. His favourite movie is Fast and Furious 6. If he could have anything it would be a new motorbike. If he could have a power he would have the force.

Can u guess who he is?

Phillip Hobbs

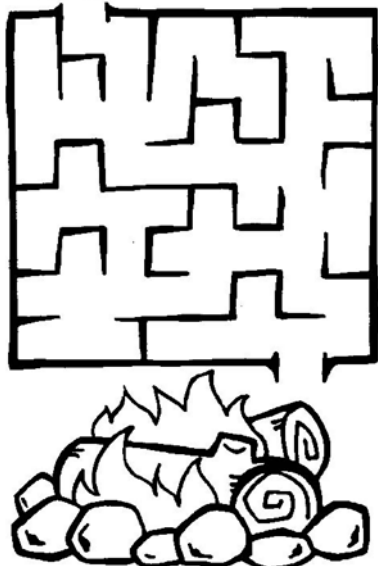


## JOKES CORNER

### Colouring Comp



Start



Knock Knock

Who's there?

BOO

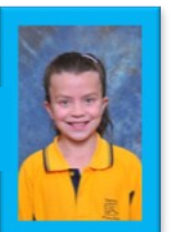
BOO WHO?

Don't cry it's only a joke

What do skeletons eat?

Spooketti

BY EMELIA





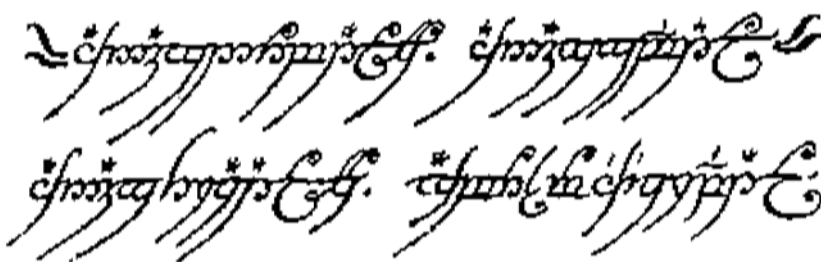
# Book & Movie of the Week

## Book Review: The Hobbit

The hobbit is a story about a respectful hobbit Bilbo Baggins. Most of you will know the tale from the movie, but did you know that the book contains a whole lot more than movie; for example Bilbo was intended to be 50 years old. At the start of the book JRR Tolkien tells you about Bilbo, first off he was a bit of a lazy hobbit due to his enormous amount of fortune. Hobbits also have 6 meals a day; breakfast, 2<sup>nd</sup> breakfast, luncheon, afternoon tea, dinner & supper. Now when Bilbo first met Gandalf the Grey, he only knows him as a brilliant firework display man, Gandalf tricked him into accidentally inviting 13 dwarfs to his house, Thorin, Balin, Gloin, Dwalin, Oin, Bofur, Bombur, Bifur, Ori, Fili, Kili, Dori, Nori. Bilbo finally gave in and joined this gang on an adventure to the Lonely Mountain defeating Trolls, goblins, Gollum, elves and dragons.

## Movie Review: The Lord of the Rings

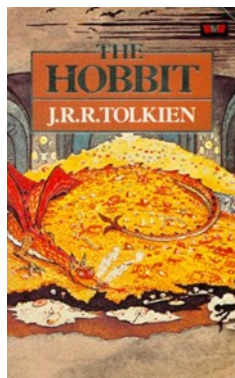
The Lord of the Rings was directed by Peter Jackson & has won multiply awards, it's rated the best movie series of its time, came 2<sup>nd</sup> in the top 100 classically movie music, the book was also rated the book of the century. The Lord of the Rings is a continue on of the hobbit but it's not Bilbo adventure, Instead its Bilbo's nephew Frodo. It all starts on Bilbo's 111<sup>th</sup> birthday when he runs away to live with the elves & Frodo inherited Bilbo's fortune including the magic ring he stole from Gollum. After 20 years of study Gandalf discovers when ou put the ring in fire it spells



In translation that spells & I quote

One Ring to rule them all, One Ring to find them, One Ring to find them all and in darkness blind them

So they find out that the ring is the one ring & can only be destroyed in the fire of Mount Doom. So they travel on another epic adventure.



**Samuel Cariss**

# Student of the Week

**This week I have chosen Samara. Samaras favourite activities are Craft and she likes to go with her sister Riva and ride the motorbikes around the farm. Samaras favourite colour is Blue and her favourite food is spaghetti. She loves to watch her favourite movie Grown Ups 2. Samara's back ground is South African on her dads side of the family. Samara is in her first year of school and enjoying it with all her new friends.**

Isabella Obrien

