Towamba PUBLIC SCHOOL

Magpie Murmur

TERM 2 | **WEEK 6** | **THURSDAY 28 MAY 2026**

Coming Events

Thurs 4 June	Tennis #3
Fri 5 June	Scripture Cafe
Mon 8 June	Public Holiday
Wed 10 June	Cake Raffle #1
Thurs 11 June	Tennis #4
Wed 17 June	Cake Raffle #2
Thurs 18 June	Athletics Carnival
Fri 19 June	Scripture Cafe
Wed 24 June	Cake Raffle #3
Thurs 25 June	Tennis #5 TBC
Wed 1 Juky	Sem 1 Reports home
Thurs 2 July	End of term assembly

Attached:

- Code of Conduct
- Athletics note/consent
- Photo page Circus
- Guidelines
- P&C flyer

This week I have attached the new Student Code of Conduct to keep you informed about the expectations of the NSW Department of Education. This document has recently been revised and simplified which is very helpful as the new document is much simpler to read and understand for both students and adults. Students in the 3-6 class have reviewed this new document and through a shared reading and discussion, have undertaken self-reflection on the things they think they are doing well and areas they might need to develop. Honest self-reflection is such an important skill to have and something we focus on a lot here at school. Self-reflection can sometimes be better achieved by asking others for feedback about our choices and/or actions and having enough courage to accept the feedback without becoming defensive. This is something we get to practice often as school staff and whilst it can be challenging, we choose to see it as an opportunity for personal growth and this is what we try to encourage in our students. You don't have to accept all feedback of course, but it is important to be able to hear it and consider it. Self-reflection is on our list of important life skills and is one of our learning super powers as it covers all aspects of our lives from childhood to adulthood. We encourage you to engage your child/children in these conversations at home to support the learning process.

I am also including a link to the Student Behaviour Support Management Plan. This document is available on our school website and is reviewed and updated regularly. It is accurate at the time of uploading, however is subject to change depending on a number of things such as staffing, programs, professional learning and access to support staff. This document overviews the practices and procedures that guide us in supporting all students. The role of a teacher is more and more comprehensive as each year goes by with teachers requiring a much higher level of social/emotional understanding as the needs of students in public schools increases. We do our best to keep extra professional learning up to date, but this can be challenging within a small school budget, limited staffing and so many areas of student need. I ask you to keep that in mind when meeting with staff at school and recognise that we do not have all the answers for all student needs, however we are committed to trying to find them out or direct families to someone who is better equipped when required. Thank you for your consideration and understanding.

Google Towamba Public School About us Policies
or use this QR code shortcut to the SBSMP.

This week Peter and Caelan have been away at Music Camp with students from many other schools around the Bega Shire and I am excited to be able to head to Bega after work and see the final concert. Students at music camp work hard over long days to put together a great performance. Music camp is open to students in years 5 and 6 (and into high school) who can play an instrument, love to sing or just love music and the students have a great time, supported by committed teachers who volunteer their time after work and into the evenings to support these students. We are very appreciative of the teachers who run music camp each year.

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Finally, this week, Ms Wendy and Ms Nicci have been away in Sydney undertaking professional learning in Choice Theory. They have had a long week of long days of training and we are looking forward to seeing them next week and hearing all about their learning. Mrs Schollar and I will complete this training in the last week of Term 3 to ensure all teaching staff are on the same page with further implementing aspects of this training.

Ms Barrow

Walk to School Day
Congratulations to Ottilie who was the only student (as far as we are aware) who intentionally walked to school last Friday on "Walk to School Day". Ottie has a hilly walk from her home to school and was supported on the windiest part, by her mum Steph. Congratulations Ottie what a fantastic achievement and thanks to Steph for being the support crew.

District Cross Country
Well done to eight students and parents braving the elements to compete in the District Cross Country event at Wolumla last week. It rained pretty much all day to varying degrees and organisers did their best to push the events through so families could get home and warm sooner. Great persistence and courage to challenge themselves and represent their school so well.

Canberra Stage 3 Excursion EOI - deadline tomorrow
Last chance to get your expression of interest in for the Canberra Excursion- it's a valuable trip for our students in year 5 & 6. If you would like to discuss any concerns with Ms Barrow please call to arrange a time. Both Ms Barrow and Ms Wendy will be attending camp.
If we do not have your EOI and $50 deposit by end of the day tomorrow, your child will not be able to attend. Once we know our final numbers we will be sending out the Canberra excursion pack with a lot more of the details and the exciting trip itinerary for Canberra next term!

Athletics Carnival Thursday 18 June
The consent note for the Athletics Carnival in three weeks is attached. Please have this completed by Friday next week. Staff have been working hard doing all the organising for this big event coming up. Nominations for the field events will be worked out after the day at Wyndham. The field events only have two nominations per event per school, so this can be a bit tricky in junior events when it includes students aged 8-10. Student race cards will be created again this year so students know what they are nominated for and what the program looks like for them on the day.

Cake Raffles starting June 10
Part of our fundraising for the Canberra excursion involves cake raffles run by the Stage 3 students, and the first one will be in less than a fortnight on Wednesday 10 June, with a cake supplied by Ottilie. Don't forget to bring in your money for tickets, as there's no chance of winning a cake without one! This year for the first time we have set up online ticket purchase option- but please note they need to be purchased by end of the day on Tuesday (day before the raffle) to allow time for us to write out the tickets. Any online ticket purchases that come through on the Wednesday will go into the raffle the following week.

Circus Challenge
Another great session with Andy from Circus Challenge. A photopage is included with some of the photos from the day. Thanks to the P&C's support, students enjoyed this workshop at no cost to families.

National Simultaneous Storytime
Students enjoyed being part of a nationwide celebration of literacy and reading by participating in the online reading of Lunaroo. Book one in the Animal World Cup series, Luna Roo the Kangaroo Baller is an inspiring underdog tale of courage, perseverance and determination. Luna leaves nothing on the pitch as she steps up to lead FC Outback in a

thrilling face-off against Bush United, learning to silence her doubts, believe in her skills and trust her teammates.

ICAS
If your child would like to participate in one of the ICAS assessments in a range of subjects in August next term please ensure that your EOI is in by the end of this term so that we can make the order. The form is available on School Bytes under Forms.

End of Term Assembly
Mark Thursday 2 July on your calendar for our end of term assembly. The format will be the same as last term, aith a BBQ to start. More information next newsletter.

Guidelines for Healthy Growth
Attached to this newsletter is a leaflet titled **Guidelines for Healthy Growth & development for Children and Young People (5-17 years)**. It gives an interesting overview of physical exercise, screen time and sleep requirements for children. We thought this might be helpful for families to look at together. We are having lots of students struggling with tiredness this term, and it significantly affects how well they engage socially, emotionally and academically.

P&C News

Contact the P&C: towamba.pandc@gmail.com

FRIDAY Lunches

Plain pie	$4.00
Thai Chicken Pie	$4.50
Cheese & Bacon Pie	$4.50
Cauliflower Blue Cheese	$4.50
Vege Pastie	$4.00
Sausage Roll	$3.50
Pizza Pocket Ham & Cheese	$2.50
Juice- orange/apple/apple & blackcurrant	$1.50
Milk choc/strawberry	$1.50

- *Write your order on a paper bag*
- *Mark your payment total and payment method on the bag*
- *Correct money appreciated or pay online to P&C*
- *Place bag in tin on Friday morning*

VOLUNTEER ROSTER

Tomorrow: Esther

Next week: Kylie & Jos

Fri 5 June	Kylie and Jos
Fri 12 June	Bekie
Fri 19 June	Esther
Fri 26 June	Kylie and Jos
Fri 3 July	Steph

Firewood Raffle #1 done and dusted
The first of the P&C firewood raffles was run over the weekend with tickets all sold by the end of the weekend. Thank you to everyone who supported the P&C in our first raffle, and congratulations to Tom Doughty for being our first winner.
There will be another two raffles over the winter. The raffles are run as a 100s club and once all the tickets are sold it gets drawn. Payments are usually made online to the P&C. Keep an eye out on the Towamba facebook site and SchoolBytes dashboard for updates.

Athletics Carnival
See the separate flyer- we need your help to be able to cater at the carnival next month.

Friday lunch orders
Thank you to all of our volunteers for filling this term. If you'd like to be added as a backup volunteer contact Lindy on 0415 964 144. New people always welcome. Digital declaration required.

School uniforms
The new zipper hoodies are here! Both styles of jumper are the same price of $37.50.

P&C UNIFORM SALES

SHIRTS $10

HOODIES $37.50

NEW ZIPPER HOODIES $37.50

Please check availability before making any payment.

Pay online Towamba P&C

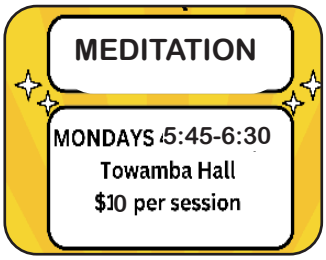
BSB: 062 647
Ac number: 0090 0797
Towamba P&C Assoc.

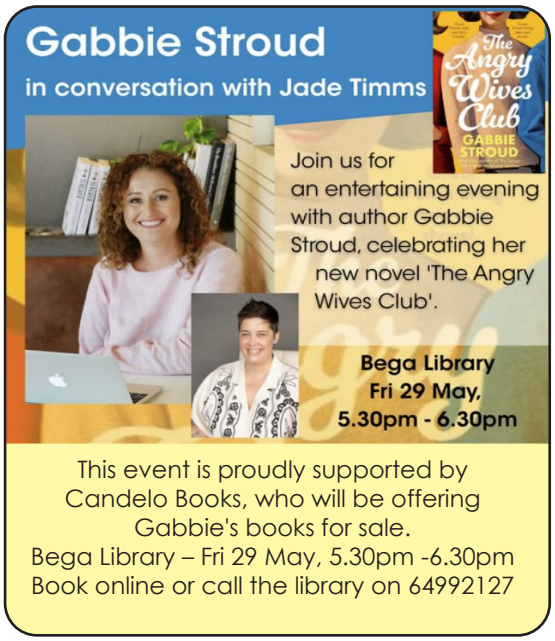
P&C Firewood Raffle #2 starting soon

Grab your numbers 1 to 100 $4 each
win a trailer load of firewood valued at $250
Winning number drawn once all tickets are sold.

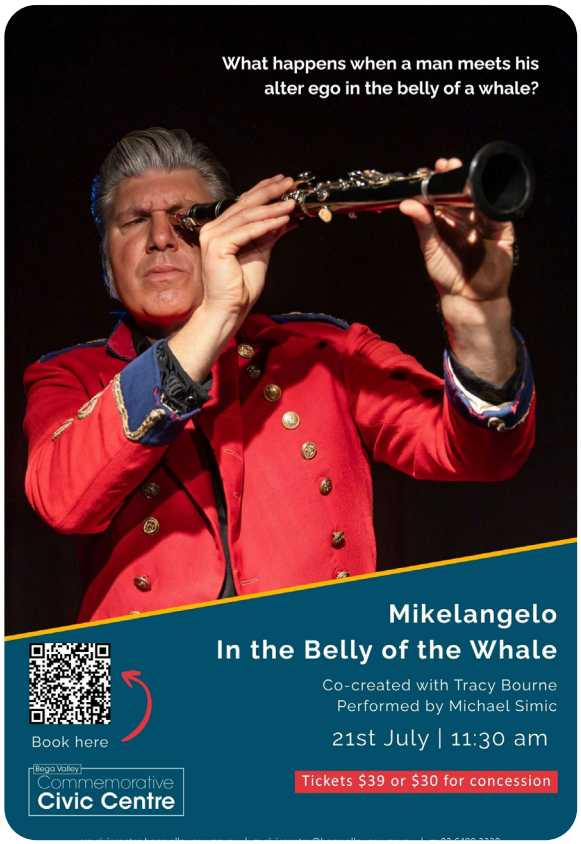
Big thanks to Civilworx Bega, Brett Baker and Janelle Lucas for supplying the firewood loads.

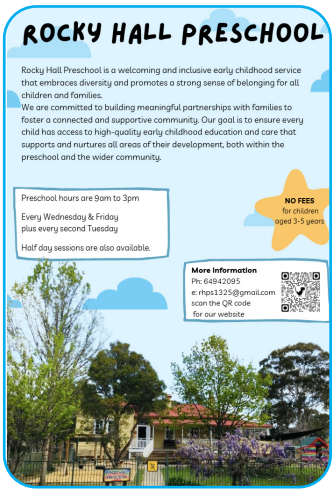
Community News

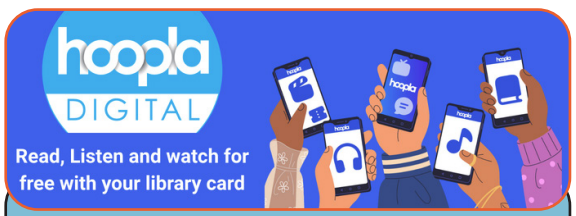




This event is proudly supported by Candelo Books, who will be offering Gabbie's books for sale.
Bega Library – Fri 29 May, 5.30pm -6.30pm
Book online or call the library on 64992127







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