Towamba PUBLIC SCHOOL

Magpie Murmur

TERM 2 | WEEK 10 | THURSDAY 25 JUNE 2026

Coming Events

Thurs 25 June	Tennis #5
Fri 26 June	Wyndham Winter Ball
Wed 1 July	Sem 1 Reports home
Thurs 2 July	End of term assembly
Fri 3/7	Scripture Cafe
Fri 3/7	ICAS EOI deadline
Fri 3/7	Last day of Term 2
TERM 3	
Mon 20 July	Staff only
Tues 21 July	Students return

Attached:

- Canberra Stage 3 excursion
- Athletics Photo Page
- Jigamy Excursion note
- Term 3 Calendar
- High School Open Day

Congratulations to everyone who helped with or attended the athletics carnival last week. What a great day it was and even though the sun didn't shine all day, I was filled with warmth by the support and encouragement offered to our students and our visitors on the day (sorry if that's a bit corny). We have only received positive feedback at this time from other schools, and I am hopeful that is how it stays. I am always happy to have feedback that is constructive and respectful, however I'm even happier if there is none. You can never have everyone feeling perfectly happy, but things seem to be pretty good so far. As a staff, we didn't manage to get many photos as we were all doing things on the day, but thanks to some parents/carers Nancy has been able to put together a photopage. Thank you to the parents/carers who were able to send through some pictures. Towamba doesn't host the carnival again until 2030 which is a terrifying date to think about so while the sand in the long jump pit is still fresh and soft, I encourage you to head up there and practice if you are keen.

Teachers have finalised student reports for Semester 1 and these will be sent home to parents/carers with the students, next week. You should not find any surprises in your child's report but please remember you are always welcome to call the school and book a parent/teacher meeting. These meetings can happen at any time of the year, you do not have to wait until a report is sent home. It is always preferred that you call and book a meeting, as teacher time is very limited during the morning and often in the afternoons. Calling to book a time, means the conversation gets the time it deserves and no one is rushed.

Next week is also the end of term assembly on Thursday 2nd July. This term, the assembly will be hosted by Peter, Caelan and Dylan. I encourage you all to come along at 1:00pm and bring your $2 coins to enjoy a BBQ lunch with the students (thank you fabulous P&C). The assembly will start at approximately 1:45pm but it may be a bit earlier, so next to come at 1:00pm and enjoy a sausage and a catch up first.

Stage 3 parents/carers will find the information pack for the upcoming Canberra Camp attached to this newsletter. This is being sent out this term so you have plenty of time to review it over the holidays and plenty of time to get excited about our trip.

This is the last newsletter for Term 2. I hope that you have found some of the reflection points and information provided this term to be helpful in supporting your children both at home and at school. I also hope that some of the information has helped to gain an insight into the work of the staff at school. I hope to continue this into Term 3. Please remember that Term 3 starts on Tuesday 21 July for students. Staff will be back on site from Monday 20th July for a day of professional development but students do not return until the Tuesday.

I hope you all enjoy a break from school over the winter holidays. Stay safe and don't forget to read every day - maybe even do a bit of maths. Exciting!

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Athletics
What a great day and so exciting to have all those people at Towamba. A big thank you to all staff, all the parents and carers who assisted in one way or the other and were there to see their children participate in a fun day. Well done to the students for dproudly leading the marchpast and for doing their best in all scheduled events. It was exciting to have two Towamba students go home with trophies- congratulations to Ottilie Richardson Senior Girl Champpion, and Caelan Coen -Graham 11 Year Boy Champion.

District Athletics Carnival **Week 1 next term**
Congratulations to the 4 students participating in the following events relevant to their agegroup as part of the Small Schools team. The District Athletics Carnival is on Friday 24 July next term in Bega.

- Ottilie: 100m, 200m, discus, long jump, high jump
- Caelan:200m, 800m, shotput, discus, long jump, high jump
- Zain: shotput

A note with more information is attached for these students.

Cake Raffles **Wednesdays**
The second and third of the Stage 3 cake raffles (fundraising for the Stage 3 Canberra Excursion) were held in the time since the last newsletter. Check out the results on the back page and congrats to our very lucky winners. There is one more chance this term to take home a cake, with the raffles resuming next term, on every Wednesday, until the Canberra excursion in Week 7. Please note we will move the Week 2 raffle to Thursday as everybody will be at Jigamy on the Wednesday.
Tickets to go in the running to win the cake are $2 each, 3 for $5 or 7 for $10. Tickets can be purchased using cash on the day, or online via School Bytes (but must be purchased the day belore).

Semester 1 Reports **Wednesday 1 July**
Student academic reports for Semester 1 will be sent home with students on Wednesday next week. They will also be uploaded to the School Bytes parent portal for easy access.

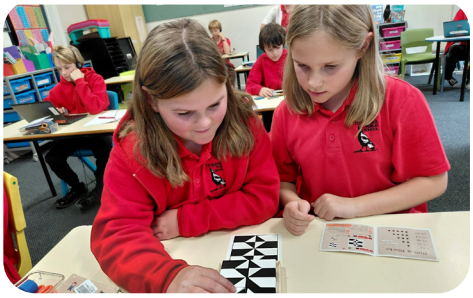
ICAS
It's very exciting to have two students putting their hands up to do three ICAS assessments next term. On Friday next week we will be putting in our order so if your child would like to participate please ensure that your EOI is in by then. The form is available on School Bytes under Forms. Registration costs are covered by the school.

End of Term Assembly **Thursday 2 July**
We look forward to celebrating the end of term at our assembly on Thursday next week. Please come along at 1pm to enjoy a BBQ put on by the P&C, with a sausage sandwich available for just $2. Assembly will start at approximately1:45pm in the MPR.

Canberra Stage 3 Excursion
Students in Stage 3 (Year 5& 6) will find the 'Canberra Pack' attached to this newsletter. Lots of interesting reading! All the forms are on School Bytes and they need to be completed and the balance paid by Wednesday 19 August (2 weeks before camp).

Term 3 Calendar
We have put together another Term calendar for your fridge with a general overall view of next term. Sometimes things change but at this stage everything is correct.

Tennis
This term it's been great having Hans come to our school for our tennis coaching, supported by the Federal Government's Sporting Schools grant. It worked well with students being able to do some athletics training, and saved the walking time up to the hall.



Jigamy **Week 2 next term**
Towamba and Wyndham students are combining for a whole school ex-

cursion to Jigamy early next term for a day of NAIDOC activities. We have booked a bus to share. The bus will leave Towamba at 9:00am sharp. Please ensure that your children are here early at school from about 8:45am. A note is attached with more information. If you would like to be picked up at Wyndham at 8:30 am instead please let us know.

Swimming Lessons
More details next term about our whole school swimming lessons program to be held in Week 9 (14 - 18 September) every day at the Sapphire Aquatic Centre.

Term 3 looking ahead

Waste Free Wednesday
Don't forget it starts next term!

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: Kylie & Jos
Next week: Steph

Get your preferred dates for Term 3 contact Lindy 0415 964 144

Athletics Carnival
Thank you to the volunteers, helpers and cooks who made our Athletics Day P&C stall such a great success. We were well supplied with a great range of cakes and slices so thank you. We raised about $2500 which is a fantastic result. Special thanks to Bekie for being the co-ordinator and the brains behind it this time.

Firewood Raffle The final firewood raffle finished up this week. Thank you to everyone who has been supporting these raffles and helping the P&C continue to support the school families. The big load of mixed hardwood (eucalypt and black wattle) kindly donated by Brett Baker of Log Farm Rd went to another lucky winner. The students really enjoy being part of the video drawing out the lucky number!

Friday Lunches
Thank you to our volunteers this term. If you'd like to help out next term let Lindy know on 0415 964 144. New people always welcome.

Term 3 Meeting
Next term's meeting will be on Tuesday 28 July after school in the MPR.

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

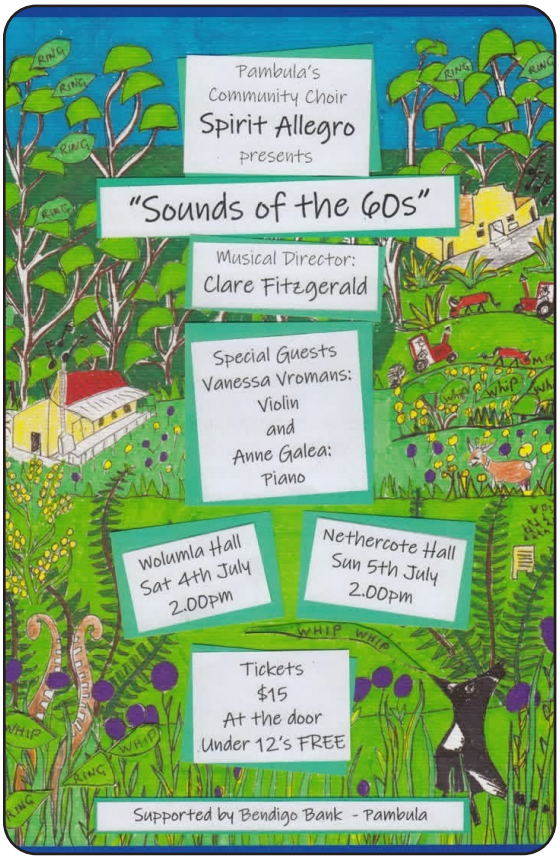
BSB: 062 647
Ac number: 0090 0797
Towamba P&C Assoc.

2026 Firewood Raffles

#1 won by Tom Doherty
#2 won by Bekie Smith
#3 won by

Big thanks to Civilworx Bega, Brett Baker and Towamba church community for supplying the firewood loads.

Community News



STAGE 3 CAKE RAFFLES

Week 9 cake by Beth & James	**WON BY:** Beth!
Week 10 cake by Peter	**WON BY:**

Funds raised last week: $80
Funds raised this week: $
Running total: $ 60

Wednesday Cake Roster

W11	1 July	Pota girls

Next term

W1	22 July	Caelan
W2	29 July	Kailani
W3	5 August	Dylan
W4	12 August	Zain
W5	19 August	Lenny
W6	26 Aug	(spare)

Tickets $2 each
3 for $5
7 for $10

Cash

or via Payments on

School Holiday Saddle Club

Children will enjoy a hands-on introduction to horses, learning grooming, handling, ground-work and riding skills while building confidence around horses in a relaxed and supportive environment.
Horses are provided and no experience is necessary.
Places are limited and booking is essential.

Phone 0480 761 993 to reserve your spot.

Privtae one on one riding lessons are also available on the day by prior booking.

TAI CHI

MONDAYS 4:30-5:30pm
Towamba Hall
$15 per session

MEDITATION

MONDAYS 5:45-6:30
Towamba Hall
$10 per session

Towamba Community Church
Sundays at 4pm
All welcome

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JULY 25-26 2026

Sat 25 10 am–3pm $100
Sun 26 10 pm–3 pm $100
Weekend pass $200
Bermagui Community Centre
9 Bunga St, Bermagui NSW 2546
Booking & Info: https://tix.yt/TYY
Info: contact Jann Hing jann@sortedbyjann.com
"One minute we were a circle of strangers all staring at each other. 10 minutes later we were a throng of worshipful singers revelling in some of the most glorious harmony singing of my life. What Tony offers is stunning." – Clare Grayson, activist, UK
www.tonybackhouse.com

Happy HOLIDAYS