



TERM 3

WEEK 1

THURSDAY 24 JULY 2025

Coming Events

Fri 25 July	District Athletics
Mon 28 July	Ashleigh visit
Mon 28-30	Creative Arts Camp
Fri 1 Aug	Scripture Cafe
Thurs 7 Aug	Jeans 4 Genes & cake raffle
Fri 15 Aug	Scripture Cafe
18-21 Aug	SCLC Music Camp
Wed 20 Aug	Book Week Parade

Hello everyone and welcome back to Term 3. Historically, Term 3 was always the term when we got to buckle into some uninterrupted learning programs as we are all settled and engaged. Things change over time and this term is very busy. There are camps and bugwatch and zoomobile and district athletics and skipping and fundraising and swimming. The teachers have all been counting how many days of in class learning will be missed with all of our exciting activities! Despite the missed class time, we all know and appreciate how valuable all of the learning opportunities outside of the classroom are for our students.

We are all excited to have started Jump Rope for Heart this term. We will be fundraising for this program, Towamba style as there are a number of other fundraising activities on this term. We are not asking you to fundraise specifically for your child, but we will have an online, school fundraising page in case you have family or friends who would like to make a donation on your child's behalf. Otherwise, there will be a flyer coming home with more information about our 'Jump Off Day' and fundraising activities. All we ask at the moment is if you can encourage your child to participate by skipping for 10 minutes every day at home (or for as long or often as you can manage). Every child should now have a skipping rope that has been sent home from school. This rope is for your child to keep. Assisting your child if necessary, to fill in their record sheet would also be great. Happy skipping!

Also coming up this term for fundraising, is Jeans for Genes day on 7th August and the P&C are running a fantastic Winter Warmer Raffle, so any donations to this hamper would be greatly appreciated.

Good luck to Jere, Zee, Caelan, Otilie and Chloe who are representing the school tomorrow at District Athletics. What a great team and a great experience. We can't wait to hear all about it and remember, as long as you do your best - that's all that matters.

Today, families of students in Year 3 and 5 will find attached the results of the NAPLAN assessment conducted in March of this year. Please remember that these assessments are a point in time for learning for your child and for most students. This moment has passed and your child has improved further. As always, if you have any questions in relation to this assessment feedback for your child, please do not hesitate to contact the office and make time to have a chat with either me or the other classroom teachers. This is always welcome. The NAPLAN assessment is important for gathering national data on student achievement, however it is only one of many forms of assessment we use for our students.

Well the term is off and running and we are excited to get to all the great activities we have planned. Keep an eye on the term calendar on School Bytes with some important 'save the date' moments, and more information on Jump Rope for Heart coming out soon.

Ms Barrow



Attached:

- NAPLAN results Yr 3 & 5
- District Athletics Information

District Athletics Carnival

tomorrow

We wish the students competing as part of the Small Schools team tomorrow all the best for the District Athletics Carnival in Bega. Thank you to parents and carers for assisting with transport and being part of the day.

Do your best Jere, Caelan, Otilie, Chloe and Zee! Representing the school at this level is amazing and we are very proud of you.

Transitions ARTlantis Creative Arts Camp

next week

The website is your source of all camp information including timetables, packing lists and more.

<https://sites.google.com/education.nsw.gov.au/transitions-ss-cac-25-info-site/home>

Please ensure you are ready and waiting at the Bombala meeting point at 5:25am on Monday 28 July. Have a wonderful time!

Jeans for Genes Day

On Thursday 7 August our school is participating in Jeans for Genes Day and raising money for the Children's Medical Research Institute. 1 in 20 kids faces a birth defect or genetic disease, like cancer, cystic fibrosis, and life-threatening metabolic disorders. That's 12 kids born every minute worldwide. Students should come to school wearing their jeans or something blue on this day. Families are welcome to bring in a donation- even just a gold coin, for this worthy cause. We will also be running a cake raffle with a cake provided by Mrs Schollar's mum Jenny Smith. Tickets will be the usual price of \$2 each, 3 for \$5 or 7 for \$10. Please make sure you have some cash for this day.

Jump Rope for Heart - Supporting the Heart Foundation

This term we are really getting into our skipping. Students will be skipping each day at school, and we encourage 10 minutes a day at home as part of homework. The aim is to skip for 40 hours over the term. What a great goal! A skipping record card went home with students this week to record the time spent skipping at home. K-2 have their recording sheet in their homework books.

Rather than students seeking sponsorship we are running this fundraiser as a whole school, and plans are also underway for a special jump off day. More details coming soon.

School Swimming - Save the Date!

22 - 26 September

We have whole school swimming lessons in the last week of this term, a little earlier than previous years. We will be sharing the bus with Wyndham PS and look forward to a week of building on water safety and swimming skills. Thanks to the Term 3 Sporting Schools grant we are able to offer this to families at no cost. More information later in the term.

Book Week

This year's theme is "Book an Adventure" and Book Week is happening in Week 5 this term. Start thinking about some costume ideas as we will be having our fabulous Book Week parade on Wednesday 20 August. Also planned for that week is a book swap day.

Premier's Reading Challenge

The PRC continues this term until the updated deadline on Friday 19 September. Please note that once a student has entered the required number of books, the list of books is validated by the school. If you wish to keep adding over and above please let us know, as once the list is validated it can no longer be added to. It is possible to reverse the validation if needed. Let us know!

MS Readathon

To continue our focus on reading and to support a very worthwhile cause, next term we will be participating in the MS Readathon Towamba style (usually it's held in August but it works better next term



CHILDREN'S MEDICAL RESEARCH INSTITUTE *Jeans for Genes*

JEANS FOR GENES

Together, we can make a difference for the 1 in 20 kids with a birth defect or genetic disease

PLUS A CAKE RAFFLE!

Thursday 7 August

for us). Reading is such a valuable and important skill that helps students in many areas of their learning. It helps them understand new ideas, think about what they read, and express their thoughts clearly. This event helps students set reading goals and feel proud of what they achieve as they discover new stories and ideas. Getting involved in reading as a group strengthens the connections between students, teachers, and families, creating a supportive atmosphere where everyone values literacy. In the end, focusing on reading gives our students a crucial skill that will help them throughout their lives, allowing them to gain knowledge, be creative, and keep learning.

Scripture Cafe

We look forward to welcoming back Mr Dixon this term for Scripture Cafe in weeks 2, 4, 6, 8 and 9 on Fridays for our scripture students.

Parent Teacher Meetings

While there are no formal meeting times for teachers to meet with parents and carers, we encourage you to make a time should you wish to discuss any concerns or have any questions about the Semester 1 report or your child's progress at school.

Spread the word!

STARTING KINDY NEXT YEAR?

We are looking for expressions of interest for 2026 Kindergarten* at Towamba Public School.

Our Orientation Program starts in Term 4 over 3 days

Contact: Towamba Public School phone 6496 7159 towamba.p.school@det.nsw.edu.au

OR SCAN THE QR CODE TO START YOUR ENROLMENT.

*All children must be in compulsory schooling by their 6th birthday.



P&C News

FRIDAY Lunches

Plain meat pie	\$3.00
Gluten Free pie	\$4.50
Cheese/Bacon	\$4.50
Chicken/mushrm	\$4.50
Term 2 special pies*	\$4.50
Vege pastie	\$4.00
Sausage Roll	\$3.50
Mini Pizza	\$2.50

Ham & Pineapple/Cheesy Margarita/Ham & Cheese

Juice or Flav/PlainMilk \$1.50

- Write your order on a paper bag
- Mark your payment total and payment method on the bag
- correct money appreciated



VOLUNTEER ROSTER

Tomorrow: Karen

Next week: Bekie / Keri

Fri 8 Aug	Steph
Fri 15 Aug	Steph
Fri 22 Aug	Keri
Fri 29 Aug	Bekie
Fri 5 Sept	Karen
Fri 12 Sept	Esther
Fri 19 Sept	Esther
Fri 26 Sept	Swimming Lessons

Term 3 P&C Meeting

Come along next week on Tuesday 29 July at 9:30am for this term's P&C Meeting.

Winter Warmer Raffle

Please bring in donations for the winter warmer raffle. Anything warm and cosy, food drinks or other items that make winter that little bit warmer. We also have a donated handmade quilt to be included. Donations by Friday 1/8 would be ideal.



Bush Dance

Towamba P&C are catering for the Towamba Bushdance on Saturday 2 August at Towamba Hall. Come to the P&C meeting to find out more.

Friday Lunches

We are phasing out pizzas and introducing pizza pockets, simplifying the process for volunteers as everything can go in the pie warmer together. This week we still have some Ham and Cheese pizzas left and Hawaiian pizza pockets. Thank you to all of the volunteers for Friday lunch orders this term - contact Lindy AH on 0415 964 144.

P&C UNIFORM SALES

Check with the school if there are your required size/quantity first. Once paid to the P&C, let the office know and your order will be sent home with your child.



SHIRTS \$10



HOODIES \$37.50

Term 3 P&C Meeting

all welcome

**This Tuesday
29 July**

9:30am

in the MPR

Special Pies Term 3*

- Thai Chicken Pie
- Cauliflower & Blue Cheese
- Spinach Triangle

Towamba P&C Account details

BSB: 062 647
Account number:
0090 0797
Towamba P&C
Association

Community News



Towamba BUSH DANCE

Saturday 2 August

MORE INFORMATION SOON

Theatre Onset presents:

waiting for godot

by Samuel Beckett

7PM: JULY 25, 26, 31
AUGUST 1 & 2
1PM: JULY 27 & AUGUST 3

THE CHURCH THEATRE
125 GIPPS ST, BEGA

DIRECTED BY DAVID STOCKER
WITH:
JAMIE FORBES, DENNIS STANTON, ALEX NICOL, JAMES COOK & LACHLAN THOMSON



EDEN MARINE HIGH SCHOOL
RESPECT RESPONSIBILITY RESILIENCE

IS YOUR CHILD STARTING HIGH SCHOOL SOON?

OPEN NIGHT EMHS

WHAT'S ON OFFER:

- MEET YEAR ADVISERS
- ASK Q'S
- TOUR THE SCHOOL

29 JULY 4-6PM

ALL YEAR 5/6 PARENTS WELCOME

Come along and start the journey with us — we can't wait to meet you!

Pottery for Peace

A fundraiser for Medecins Sans Frontieres' work in Gaza

Wood-fired pizza
Pottery activities
Live music
Lunch



Blank pottery, instruction and tools provided to decorate your own pottery.
We fire it. Pick up in 2 weeks.

Saturday 2nd August 2025 10:30 to 2
Uniting Church Hall, Chandos St, Eden

Your donation supports a good cause
Enjoy the food and activities

Supported by Imlay Crafts and Eden Uniting Church



TANJA PUBLIC SCHOOL
WINTER FAIR
SATURDAY 2ND AUGUST 9-2PM



Towamba Community Church
Sundays at 4pm
All welcome

DESIGN FUN!

Bega Valley Shire Library have launched a fun art competition to promote literacy during Library and Information Week (28 July-3 August). Design a bookmark in one of three creative categories:

- ❑ Wackiest - think bizarre shapes and quirky perspectives
- ❑ Locally inspired - how does our local geography, landmarks, people or culture inspire you?
- ❑ Book or character-inspired - use your favourite book character or plot to spark your imagination.

Winners will receive a \$30 gift voucher and have their artwork printed on a library bookmark that will be available to the public at all of our libraries. To enter, grab a blank bookmark from any one of our libraries, draw or paint your design, fill out the information on the back and drop your finished artwork into any library.

- ❑ Competition closes Monday 4 August
- ❑ Winners announced Mon 11 August.

FREE ENTRY

FRIDAY 3RD
SATURDAY 4TH
OCTOBER 2025

JOIN THE FUN


EDEN WHALE FESTIVAL 2025

KIDS FUN ZONE

EDEN SOCCER OVAL
BARCLAY ST

FUN FOR ALL
RIDES • GAMES •
FOOD STALLS
PRIZES TO BE WON
WITH LOTS MORE TO BE ANNOUNCED

MANY THANKS TO OUR FANTASTIC SPONSORS



TAI CHI

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

Wear comfortable clothes & flat shoes
Bring a water bottle

Tai Chi is suitable for all ages and offers many health benefits, both physically and mentally.
Classes run by: Lillian & Geraldine

ENQUIRIES CONTACT STEVE 0405 464 069

Need a JP? Justice of the Peace

Drop in service
Every Tuesday
Tura Marrang library
11:30-1:30pm

