



TERM 3

WEEK 7

THURSDAY 4 SEPTEMBER 2025

Coming Events

Fri 5 Sept	Scripture Cafe
Fri 12 Sept	Bugwatch
Wed 10 Sept	Jump Off Day
Wed 17 Sept	Zoomobile
Thurs 18 Sept	End of Term assembly
Fri 19 Sept	Scripture Cafe
22-26 Sept	School Swimming
Fri 26 Sept	Last day Term 3



Hello from our nation's capital. This week, Nicci and I have been in Canberra for a Leadership conference which has been fantastic. We are both so thankful for the opportunity to have attended this training which has been made possible through the support of our colleagues. We have learnt so many interesting concepts and ideas, but we have also been able to recognise some of the positive aspects of our school that are already in place and can only be strengthened through this additional training. Nicci returned to school today, however I am still in Canberra to attend two more days of conferences for small school principals. Day one has been a fantastic start. It is so helpful to meet with other principals of small schools, who understand first-hand, some of the challenges faced by small schools, but also appreciate the things that make our schools wonderful. I have one more day of learning, and whilst it has been wonderful to have this opportunity, I am also super keen to get back to school and see everyone.

It seems like we have had lots of special weeks this term already, for example; Education Week, Book Week and Science Week and all of these focus weeks are great. This week though is one of the most special. This week is School Administration and Support Staff (SASS) Week. A week where we recognise our fantastic support staff and everything they do to keep us functioning. Our SASS team includes Nancy, Kim, Karen How, John and Jo King. They are an amazing team of staff who do everything they can to make our teaching and learning days more efficient, keep our families and communities informed, look after the sick and injured, pay all the bills, look after the grounds and so, so, SO much more every-day. The teaching staff are all so thankful for everything they all do. In usual Towamba form, we will be celebrating our SASS team in Week 8 as I am offsite this week. If you are interacting with any of our SASS team this week (or any week), please take the time to thank them for the work they do to support your students, family and school.



Thank you to the eight people who were able to complete the School Improvement Survey that was sent out in Week 5. This survey was a great opportunity to give feedback on your interactions with, and perceptions of, the school and staff. We received some good feedback and interesting points for consideration. We will use this feedback to include authentic parent/carers voice in our new school website which will be launched soon. I appreciate your time to complete this survey to assist in reflecting on current practices.

Next week is our Jump Off Day to support the Heart Foundation. Only a few students have ordered lunch at this stage, or a giant chocolate freckle. Whilst that makes things very easy for me in terms of buying and preparing lunch and making giant freckles, it is not a great outcome for the Heart Foundation. If you just haven't got around to it yet, now is the time to order so you are included in the numbers and don't miss out. Remember this ordering is open to adults as well as students. We really hope to see a few more orders if possible.

I look forward to seeing you all next week.

Ms Barrow

Attached:

- Community Bushfire Training

Jump Rope for Heart Day

Wednesday 10 September

Our big fundraising Jump Off day is just next week!

Please make sure all orders are in Friday 5th- that's **TOMORROW**.

- lunch deals \$5 each- students and/or parents

- giant freckle \$5 each packaged for giving

- payment can be made on the School Bytes portal as per the Jump Off Day note.

Please also make sure you bring any sold raffle tickets in so the tickets can go in the heart raffle draw on the day, and the money can be added to our fundraising goal.

Online donations can also be made- see the link shared on our school Facebook page- we have raised over \$100 already from other people connected to our school. Fantastic!

Swimming Lessons

22-26 September

Thank you to the families who have completed the consent note on School Bytes so quickly- there were quite a few Fast Notes wild cards given out on that first Friday! Please note the late return times during swimming week, and your nomination of where your child will be disembarking the bus. Check the note for what students need to bring.

Stage 3 Cake Raffles

We have started! Thanks to Jere and family for kicking us off last week, and Zee yesterday. The Stage 3 cake raffles will run every Wednesday until Week 4 next term (except in swimming week this term). For families with students in Year 5 & 6, make sure you know when you are required to bring a cake. Everyone else- save up your coins and notes for buying a raffle ticket or two every Wednesday. You might be a lucky one!

Bugwatch

Next Friday 12 September

Students should bring a towel for drying feet off, and old shoes or gum boots. The group will be heading down to the river in the middle session with teachers, including Bournda staff, for our Spring survey of the Towamba River.

Stage 3 Jindabyne Excursion

Thank you to the parents/carers for letting us know that their child will be attending the Combined small school camp at Jindabyne next term. We have submitted the final numbers to the organising school, and await more detailed information and the final costs to share. The camp dates are 12-14 November next term.

Taronga Zoomobile

Wednesday 17 September

We are lucky to have another visit from the Taronga Zoomobile enabling children to learn about and get up close to a range of native animals. The session is paired with a Biodiversity program run by Bournda staff. The school is covering the cost of this program for families.

End of Term Assembly

Thursday 18 September

This term our end of term assembly will be in the second last week of term, since the last week is busy with swimming. Join us for an early BBQ lunch at 1pm, thanks to the P&C. Sausage sandwich at the usual very cheap price of \$2 each. Enjoy a relaxed gathering before the assembly starts at approximately 1:45pm in the MPR.

Lions Club Peace Poster

For students aged 11 and older, don't forget to make a start on your design if you want to enter this competition. The art paper has been supplied so let us know if you'd like some sent home. Students aged 11 and above. The theme is Together as One. Posters will be collected from school by the Lions Club in early September. Last reminder.

Year 6 special shirts

Year 5 students received a note about this last newsletter and it's on SchoolBytes. Please have all size information forms completed and any orders for additional shirts in by the end of term.

STAGE 3 CAKE RAFFLES

Results and fundraising tally

Week 6 cake was
by Jere
and was **won by:**

Ottile

Week 7 cake was
by Zee
and was **won by:**

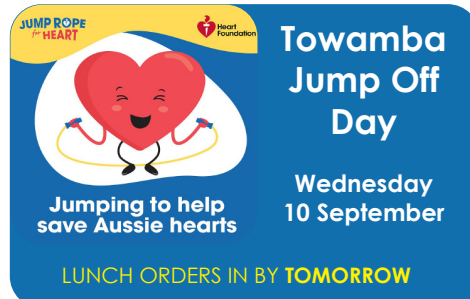
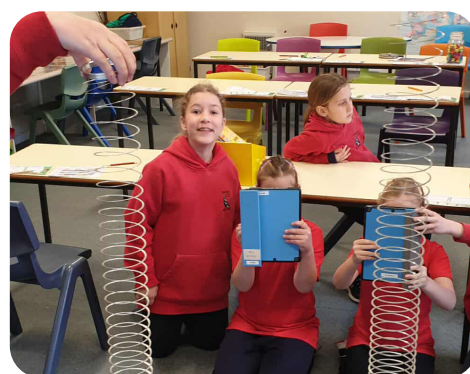
Nancy

Funds raised: \$44 + 41

Running total: \$ 85

Next cakes

- 10 Sept- Peter
- 17 Sept- Kailani (last for Term 3)





END OF TERM ASSEMBLY

THURSDAY 18 SEPTEMBER
(the week before Swimming Week)

1:00PM

IN THE MPR

**JOIN US FOR A BBQ LUNCH
THANKS TO THE P&C**

FOLLOWED BY THE ASSEMBLY

Nests
Jumbo wildcards
Term 3 slideshow
& more

ALL WELCOME

SUPPORT YOUR P&C AS THEY SUPPORT YOUR FAMILY
PURCHASE A SAUSAGE SANDWICH OR TWO!
\$2 EACH



Digital Declarations

1

Receive an email

2

Complete a digital declaration

3

Show photo ID

Benefits of using digital declarations

1

Shorter forms

The digital forms are faster to fill out, with links to more information where needed.

2

Get verified faster

Your screening outcome will be updated in our systems almost instantly.

3

Tell us once

If you're doing similar activities across schools, you won't need to repeat the process unless you're updating your details.

Digital Declarations

New emails will be sent out shortly to those parents who have not yet completed a Digital Declaration.

Why do we need one?

It's a requirement if you:

- help with lunch orders
- assist with transporting children other than your own
- assist at sports carnivals

It's quick and easy and lasts the whole time you are at school.

If you do not intend completing a Digital declaration please let us know so we can stop sending the email.

Thank you

P&C News

FRIDAY Lunches

Gluten Free plain pie	\$4.50
Cheese & Bacon	\$4.50
Chicken/mushrm	\$4.50
Term 3 special pies*	\$4.50
Vege pastie	\$4.00
Sausage Roll	\$3.50
Pizza pocket	\$2.50

Ham & Pineapple/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

Winter Warmer Raffle

Thank you to those families adding to our Winter Warmer hamper and buying tickets. The last tickets were sold this week and the raffle drawn on Tuesday. Congratulations to Nicole!!

Runner Mugs

Thank you to those putting in orders. We have submitted the big order of mugs to sell at the C2K stall as well as the personal orders submitted. As mentioned previously we will be able to send the mugs home once the C2K is over, and once payment to the P&C has been made.

Coast2Kosciuszko

Make sure you have Friday 14 November in your calendar as we will need support for our biggest fundraiser of the year. Cakes and slices are also needed as the support crews love to support our school.

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



Special Pies Term 3*

Thai Chicken Pie

Cauliflower & Blue Cheese Pie

Cheese & Spinach Triangle

Towamba P&C Account details

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

VOLUNTEER ROSTER

Tomorrow: Karen

Next week: Esther

Fri 19 Sept
Fri 26 Sept

Esther
Swimming Lessons

Community News

Life in our Cemeteries

Eden



Come and explore the unique flora and fauna of Eden Cemetery

Featuring:

- ✓ **Walk and Talks led by local experts:**
 - Jackie Miles – explore the coastal flora
 - Peter Phillips – discover the cemetery's history with long-term member of Eden Cemetery committee
 - Deb Taylor – uncover the rich life of invertebrates
- ✓ **Lunchtime expert talks:**
 - BVSC Coastal Management Officer – Rachel Duczynski – the science of coastal management
 - Wendy Noble – Little Penguin Group Eden
 - Eden Landcare
- ✓ **A light lunch provided**

11am
Saturday 6 September
Eden Cemetery

Register online



atlas of life



begavalley.nsw.gov.au/life-in-our-cemeteries

EDEN WHALE FESTIVAL ARE EXCITED TO WELCOME CORAL TREKKER





ARRIVAL 3RD OCTOBER 2025
4TH AND 5TH

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.
(Please note: tai chi is not a sport)

ENQUIRIES CONTACT STEVE 0465 464 069

WANDERER FESTIVAL

4-5 OCT 2025
DAMULA BEACH, NSW



EDEN WHALE FESTIVAL 3RD TO 5TH OCTOBER 2025

3RD FRIDAY 2PM KILLER WHALE MUSEUM

EDEN WHALE FESTIVAL OFFICIAL OPENING
Special Guest Speaker/Entertainment
Light Refreshments Available
Arrival of the Tallships James Craig And Coral Trekker

FRIDAY 5:30PM BARCLAY ST PAVILLION

Art Competition Opening & Winners Announced
Working with Wood
Through the Lens Photography Competition
Pottery Display & Sales
Light Refreshments Available

FRIDAY 5.30 PM / 9PM BARCLAY ST OVAL

Food Vans & Market Stalls -Glow In the Dark Fun
Australian Navy Rock Band -Fire Twirling
Stilt Walking -Mullett Growing Competition
Sculpture Display, Tallships At Wharf
Longstocking Brewery Tastings -Fireworks Display

4TH SATURDAY IMLAY STREET 9AM/5PM BARCLAY ST SPORTS COMPLEX EDEN WHARF

Poets Breakfast @ The Uniting Church - 8am
Street Parade on Imlay Street 9am
Arriving At The Barclay St Sports Complex

Kids Zone - Bungee Trampoline -Pony Party
Rock Climbing Wall - Games & Prizes
Lolly Vans - Market Stalls - Food Vans -Music -
Sculpture & Art Displays - Wood Carving -
Emergency Services Display -The biggest tosser

Tallships at the Eden Wharf
The James Craig -Open For Ship Tours
& The Coral Trekker Taking Bay Tours
Marine Rescue Open Day

5TH SUNDAY ROTARY PARK 10AM IMLAY ST MAIN WHARF

Mission to Seafarers Seaman's Service -10am
Show & Shine - Motor Bikes & Classic Cars - Imlay Street - 10am
Ceremonial Send off for the James Craig Tall Ship
All events are correct at time of printing

Do you have a health care card? You could be eligible for Saver Plus.

For every dollar you save, you'll get a dollar from ANZ to spend on educational costs, up to \$500.

To join, you need to meet all of these requirements:

- ✓ Be 18 years or older
- ✓ Have a current Health Care or Pensioner Concession Card
- ✓ Have a child in school, starting school next year, or be studying yourself
- ✓ Get a regular income (can be you or your partner)
- ✓ Agree to join in free online financial education workshops

saverplus 1300 610 355 saverplus.org.au





Towamba Community Church
Sundays at 4pm
All welcome

Empowering solutions for a resilient future

13 & 14th SEPT 2025
Candelo, NSW
empowering-solutions.eventbrite.com



Scan QR code to purchase tickets & secure your place.



The Dawn of Postmodern poetry
a performance of Frank O'Hara's poems
Tura Library
Sat 13 Sept @ 11am
Book at the library

Need a JP? Justice of the Peace

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

