



Coming Events

2-6 Dec	Swimming Lessons
Thur 5 Dec	Mumbulla Orchestra
Mon 16 Dec	School reports home
Tues 17 Dec	Assembly (morning)
	School Concert 6.30
Wed 18 Dec	Pool Party
	end of school year

2020 dates

Mon 27 Jan	Public holiday
Tues 28 Jan	Staff return
Wed 29 Jan	Year 1-6 start
Thurs 30 Jan	Kindy starts



Reminders

Attached:

- absences letter
- 2020 school calendar

School Swimming Lessons

It's great seeing the students improve over the week and keep practising their skills. There has been some great singing on the bus, a perfect chance to practice our concert songs! After a week of swimming and bus travel, students will be tired but they have been having a great time.

We head back to the pool for our end of year pool party on the 18th.

The K-4 Design Thinkers

The K-4 Design Thinkers had their exhibition to display their own design solutions to the problem "How can Towamba School reduce the waste we send to landfill and make sure our recycling isn't contaminated?"

We hope this has started some conversations at home too, as it is something we can all improve on.

Visiting Musicians

The SCLC Stage Band last Friday were absolutely fabulous! They had everyone bopping around and were very inspiring, having a lot of fun and playing some great songs! It's wonderful to be included on this tour at Towamba, and I think Mr Claxton also enjoyed revisiting too!

Today we had the Mumbulla School Orchestra playing some wonderful well known tunes too, and the students really enjoyed seeing so many instruments - live music is always so wonderful. It was great seeing some extra people from the community come and enjoy these performances too.

End of year school play

Our dress rehearsal is happening soon so make sure you bring in any remaining items for your costume. We have a rack of everyone's costumes and it's a good way of working out any costume gaps. Please bring in your costume tomorrow.

Don't forget our different starting time this year of **6.30pm!** Make sure you tell your friends and neighbours too.

Students need to come dressed in their costume, and bring their school uniform (Year 6 bring your Year 6 shirts) in a labelled bag. After the concert students will get changed before they enjoy some supper and then the presentation part of the evening.

Supper

Please bring a plate to share on the supper table. There will be tea and coffee available, plus cordial for the kids.

Giving Tree

In the office we have a box for your donated gifts for others as part of our regular Towamba Giving Tree. These gifts are presented to Mr Dixon at the school concert night and distributed via Anglicare to families in need. You can wrap if you wish and include a note or leave unwrapped.

Student reports

The Semester 2 student reports will go home on Monday 16 December, with the students. Please don't hesitate to contact us if you wish to discuss anything.

If you have any unexplained absences you will find a note attached to this newsletter for you to return. Please remember that all absences must be explained within 7 days.

Year 7 at EMHS

Our Year 6 students had their last day visiting the high school this week, along with some of the parents, in preparation for starting high school next year. It's a big change after a small school like Towamba but the options to students really widens their horizons in the social sense as well as the learning. We wish you all the best! Not long now til we do the traditional Towamba arch and see you walk out the gate for the final time.

Ozharvest Feast program

We hope that students are inspired by some of the cooking done at school and share their skills with their families over the weekends! Soon students will have put together a good collection of recipes.

Library Books

As the end of the term gets closer please return all library books by the end of the year. If the note sent home shows books you have already returned- find them in the library and bring to the office so that they can be amended. Sometimes mistakes happen and books do not get scanned as returned. Bring them to the office so that we can sort them.

Waste Free Wednesday

In K-4 we have been doing a project on landfill and our idea is to have a Waste Free Wednesday at school. Waste Free Wednesday is when you cannot bring rubbish in your lunchbox on a Wednesday. If you manage to have a waste free lunchbox then you get a **free wildcard!*** The purpose of this is so we can reduce the amount of rubbish going into landfill from our school.

by Alex, Kokoda and Arlie.

**Please note=- special offer- any waste Free Wednesday wildcards earned from now until the end of the year will be able to be swapped for a Waste free wildcard next year when the 2020 ones are made (with new designs).*

Pool Party

The day after the concert is a great day for a fun end of year celebration!

Students should aim to arrive at the pool for recess (bring your own) around 10am in the small park beside the pool. From 10.30am we have organised pool games followed by free play. The pizza delivery for lunch caps off a fun day for everyone. Students will be ready to go home around 2/2.30pm.





THURSDAYS

**9.30am
in the MPR**



**All
young children
welcome**

**Last playgroup:
Thursday 12 December**



**The
Towamba
Giving Tree**

Gift Box
in the
office



P&C Hamper for the raffle

We need some more donations!



Lunch Orders

Tomorrow: NO lunch orders

Friday 13 Dec Karen H

We still have a few notes yet to come in- check the reminder box on the front page. If you don't think you will be coming please let us know as we need to inform the pool of numbers and also adjust our pizza order!

Handing in your eggs and wildcards

This week on Tuesday was the deadline for handing in all spare eggs and extra wildcards. The tally allows us to determine who will receive the High Flyer Award and runner up in each class, to be presented on the concert night. The wildcards are a 'wild-card' so until the hand in, we don't know how many extra cards a student has! The tally has now been done and the trophies are at engraver!

At the start of next year students will get the opportunity to design the 2020 wildcards, and introduce the system to the new teaching Principal once decided.

Upcoming staff changes

Nancy & Kim both away at the start of 2020 on long service leave

P&C News



P&C Raffle

It would be great to get something from everyone and make the hamper a fantastic prize! There is still plenty of space - why not add something extra to your shopping trolley for the hamper. There is also a beautiful handmade quilt donated by Vicki's sister Stephanie to be raffled, and more prizes yet to be confirmed.

Raffle tickets are just \$2 each or 3 for \$5. They will also be on sale on the concert night but get in early. Make sure you return any sold tickets so they go into the draw on concert night. More tickets available from the office too.

Hall Set up

Monday 16th December 2pm

The P&C will be setting up the hall in preparation for the concert night and would love to have some extra helpers. We will also be decorating the Christmas tree, and setting up the supper table etc.

Christmas Tree

Just wondering if anyone can organise a pine tree to use for the Christmas tree in the hall on concert night. Ideally the same person could also set it up in the hall ready for decorating. Contact Steph or Esther if you can help out.

Community News



PAMBULA-MERIMBULA LIONS CLUB

is proud to present the 2019



Carols by Candlelight

A free, family-friendly, community event!

Magic Mountain Merimbula
Friday 6th Dec – Carols from 6pm

BYO CHAIRS & PICNIC RUGS

THIS IS AN ALCOHOL-FREE EVENT

FEATURING PERFORMANCES BY:

- Frankie J Holden ■ Michelle Pettigrove
- Sugarants ■ Daniel Doody ■ Felicity Dowd
- Ladies in Black Cast ■ Merimbula Public School
- Hunter Watts ■ Candy and Lillian McVeity
- Barney Simpson and Chelsea Daghita
- Combined Churches Nativity Play
- Sapphire Coast Learning Community of Public Stage ■ Bega Brass Band

LIONS FAMILY BBQ

MEGA RAFFLE
(drawn on the night)

You can come mee Santa from 5.30pm

FREE SHUTTLE BUS
from Merimbula
Coach Stop, Park St,
6-6.30pm & return
9.15-9.45pm.

Prizes for the best dressed family and child!

Dec/Jan Holiday Program:

Wombat Holes Championship Mini Golf – anytime!

• Family \$29, Adult \$11, Child \$9

Mon/Wed/Fri/Sat – Flying Fox 10am & 2pm

• Family \$55, Adult \$20, Child \$15

Mon/Wed/Fri/Sat – Archery 11.30am

• Family \$60, Adult \$20, Child \$15

COMBO OFFERS – Flying Fox and Archery

• Family \$90, Adult \$30, Child \$25

or Flying Fox, Archery and Mini Golf

• Family \$110, Adult \$40, Child \$30

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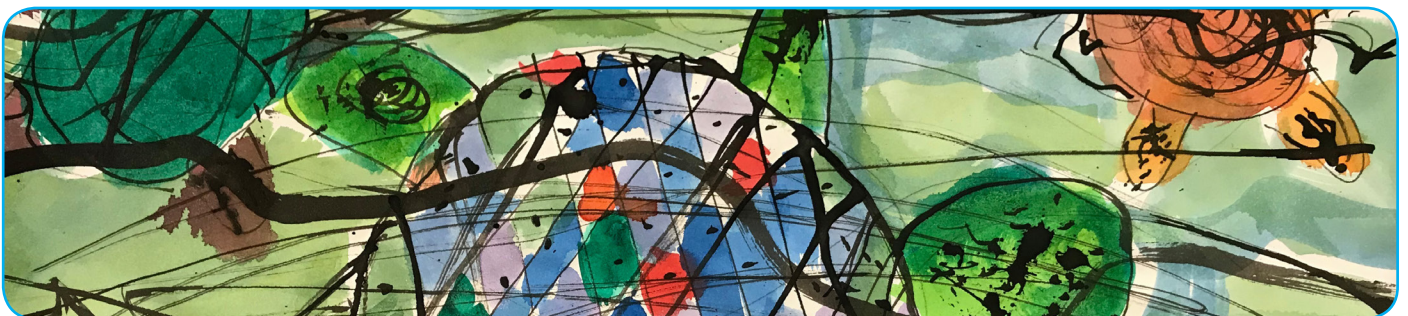
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Kaleidoscope of Dance

5.30pm, Saturday 7th December 2019

Tickets on Sale from Wyndham Store

\$20 Adults - \$10 Child - Under 5 free



ABSENCE & Partial Absence NOTE

My child _____

was absent from school on the date/s _____

OR will be arriving late/departing early at (time) _____

due to _____

Signed _____ Parent/Carer. Date: _____