



TERM 4

WEEK 1

THURSDAY 17 OCTOBER 2024

Coming Events

21-25 Oct	Swimming lessons week
Tues 29 Oct	Taronga Zoomobile
Wed 30 Oct	Yr 6 Uni Discovery Day
Thurs 31 Oct	Cake raffle (Lane) Kindy Orientation
Fri 1 Dec	Music Viva
Thurs 7 Nov	Cake raffle (Sam) Kindy Orientation
Wed 13 Nov	Stage 3 Canberra Exc.
Thurs 14 Nov	Kindy Orientation



Attached:

- Canberra Excursion
- Mugs EOI

Hello everyone and welcome back to school for Term 4. We have heard some great stories from the students about their holiday break but importantly, everyone was happy to be back at school and ready to get back into learning. No one will be surprised when I say we have a busy term coming up. I do look forward to the day when I write that we have a relaxed term with nothing much on, just the day-to-day of school life, but then I might be disappointed we don't have much on. Some people are hard to please.

Today, K-6 went off to see We Will Rock You at the invitation of Lumen Christi school. The performance was spectacular and even though some of the concepts were just beyond our K-2 class, everyone enjoyed the show. We are thankful to Lumen Christi for inviting us to see their performance.

Next week is a BIG week at school and you need to prepare yourself for some tired, possibly cranky children at home. On Monday, we start a full week of swimming lessons. We have double lessons every day at the pool, and a water safety lesson. The days are busy, with very little down time. We are again partnering with Wyndham Public School to keep the cost down so we will be travelling on the big bus. The bus will leave at 10:15 am each day and not return until after the end of the school day. The bus will not wait for late arrivals. I ask that you review the information that has been sent home in the last few newsletters (and again today) about preparation for swimming days. We highly recommend goggles and please ensure you have fitted and adjusted these for your child, before the first day of swimming. Staff undertake active supervision of all the different groups at the pool and may be required to assist students in the pool, therefore we have little time for trying to find equipment, towels, fix goggles etc. We appreciate your understanding in this matter. Again, it is a big week for the students and by Friday afternoon after a week of bus travel and double swimming lessons, they will be exhausted. Swimming is a life saving skill and we strongly encourage participation in these lessons. As this is a whole school activity, children who are not attending the swimming program, will not be able to stay at school.

This week, the school is submitting the External Validation (EV) documentation. This process has been very interesting and informative. We are all very proud of our small school and the EV journey has highlighted many of the things we are doing very well and some ways in which we can make our processes more efficient. On Tuesday 5th November (week 4) Nancy, Nicci and I will meet with an external panel to review our submission and determine a clear plan for our new School Improvement Plan for 2025-2029. A special thank you to our marvellous Nancy who has been invaluable in assisting with the EV process and document collation and design. I could not have done it without her. Similarly, the support of Karen How in the office this week, so that I could work with Nancy, has made everything run smoothly. And of course, thank you to the teaching staff covering all of my teaching responsibilities this week to allow me to focus on this work. As always, I am very thankful for the team at Towamba and I have had lots of opportunities this week to feel proud of the work we are doing here and the positive difference we are making every day.

Ms Barrow

We Will Rock You Performance

Thursday 17 October

The whole school enjoyed a fantastic performance at Lumen Christi today of We Will Rock You. All of the students were wonderfully behaved and inspired by this excellent production.

Stage 3 Cake Raffles

Thursdays

Today's cake was thanks to Luke's family. Congratulations to Lane for winning this week's cake! There are two more chances to win this term. Tickets can be purchased on the day for \$2 each, 3 for \$5 or 7 for \$10. The money raised helps to reduce the cost of the Canberra excursion for our Stage 3 students next term. Your support is appreciated.

Swimming Lessons

Next Week

Students will need to come to school with their swimmers underneath their uniform. This makes changing super quick. All students will be given a swimming bag tomorrow, and this will be a great bag to keep all of your gear in for the week.

Hair should be tied back or a swimming cap worn for lessons. Students are all assessed on day 1 and then sorted into groups for individualised lessons.

Please make sure you have packed:

- swimmers (worn under school uniform for a quick change)
- goggles, swimming cap if needed
- 2 towels (1 for pool deck, one for drying when changing)
- underclothes to put on after lessons
- something warm to wear if cool or windy

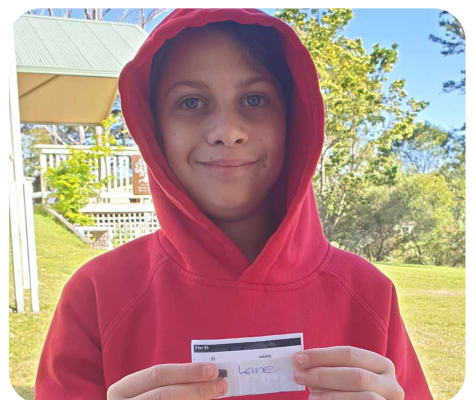
Don't forget the bus is returning late all week. The bus will be back at school at around 3:20pm with drop offs along the way as previously arranged:

Approx 2:50pm	Burragate bus stop
Approx 3:00pm	Pota's stop
Approx 3:10pm	Otilie's stop
Approx 3:20pm	Towamba School

Zoomobile

Tuesday 29 October

We have been lucky to secure a visit from the Taronga Zoomobile this term, in combination with a biodiversity activity with the staff from Bournda EEC. The school has covered the cost of this incursion and we are looking forward to learning more about animals and our environment.



SENTENCE SHOWCASE

THIS WEEK'S SENTENCE IS BY

Lane

As the vicious tiger skulked in the bushes, the zebra was aware he was there. The tiger hesitated to attack but was ready to pounce on its prey any minute.

WORD OF THE WEEK
hesitate

WORD OF THE DAY
skulk

Kindy Orientation

Thurs 31 October- half day
Thurs 7 Nov- half day
Thurs 14 Nov- full day



Year 6 Uni Discovery Day

Wednesday 30 October

As mentioned last term, our Year 6 students will be learning more about tertiary education options at a day in Bega. The permission note is available on School Bytes.

Music Viva - Wyniss

Friday 1 November

We are looking forward to welcoming Wyniss a musical group from the Torres Strait to our school. Their performance focuses on childhood games, dancing and singing and their links to culture and history. It promises to be another entertaining and educational experience.

Stage 3 Canberra Excursion

Wed 13 - Fri 15 November

Students in Year 5 and Year 6 have the Combined Small Schools Excursion to Canberra in Week 5. Attached is an information pack and the permission note is available in School Bytes. The camp costs \$515 per student but has been subsidised down to \$150 thanks to the P&C, school funding, anticipated raffle proceeds and the Federal Government's PACER Program, which is an amazing price. The students will enjoy a full itinerary over three days including visiting Parliament House, Questacon, Australian Institute of Sport, National Film and Sound Archive and many more.

STAGE 3 CAKE RAFFLES

Results and fundraising tally

This week's cake was by Luke and was **won by:**

Lane

Funds raised: \$ 94.50
Running total: \$ 542.50



STAGE 3 CAKE RAFFLES

Next week **Lane**

Thurs 7 Nov **Sam**

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



FRIDAY Lunches

Plain meat pie	\$4.00
Gluten Free 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
GF Sausage Roll	\$3.50
Mini Pizza	\$2.50
Ham & Pineapple/Ham & Cheese	
Juice or Flav Milk	\$1.50

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

New special pies available now

- BBQ Steak & caramelised onion
- Cauliflower & Blue Cheese



P&C News

Artwork Mugs

The P&C is ordering mugs to sell at the Coast2Kosci breakfast stall using student artwork. Attached is a copy of the artwork. If you'd like to order any then get your Expression of Interest in via School Bytes before the 24th October, so that we can make sure we order sufficient numbers. No payment required yet just an EOI.

Friday lunch orders

We are looking for volunteers to fill the 1st few spots for this term. Contact Lindy, lunch co-ordinator, on 0415 964 144. Thank you to all of the volunteers who help make our Fridays yummy!

VOLUNTEER ROSTER

tomorrow:

Keri

Fri 25 Oct	Swimming
Fri 1 Nov	Karen
Fri 8 Nov	Steph
Fri 15 Nov	
Fri 22 Nov	C2K Karen
Fri 29 Nov	Esther
Fri 6 Dec	Beckie
Fri 13 Dec	

P&C UNIFORM SALES

Pay online Towamba P&C

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



SHIRTS \$10



HOODIES \$30/37.50

Community News

WPS P&C invites you to join us for the...

WOLUMLA FIREWORKS FESTIVAL 22

Friday Nov 1st 5.00-9.30PM

Wolumla Rec Ground

\$10 ADULT \$5 CHILD
\$30 A FAMILY

Alcohol-free family friendly event!



SCLC Band ~ SALT ~ Ricky Bloomfield ~ Chris O'Donnell ~
Roxygen ~ Michael Cootes ~ Lost Minute ~ Market Stalls ~
Lots of Food Vans ~ P&C Canteen ~ FIREWORKS

Bring your picnic rug and enjoy a night of entertainment!
Like the Facebook event to stay updated.

EDEN WHALE FESTIVAL FIREWORKS DISPLAY

Barclay Street Sports Ground



Join us for some fabulous family fun.
Bring a chair or blanket—sit back and enjoy
the amazing fireworks display!

SATURDAY 19TH OCTOBER

STARTING AT 9PM

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Rocky Hall Preschool

Fee Free for 3-5 year old children

Rocky Hall Preschool is an inclusive service promoting and practicing inclusion and diversity within the preschool and broader community.

We foster positive partnerships with all families to create a sense of connection and belonging.

Our aim is for all children to have equitable access to appropriate and quality services that maximise and foster all aspects of the child's development.

Preschool hours are 9am til 3pm every Wednesday, Friday and alternate Tuesdays.

Half day sessions are also available.
Enquiries phone 6494 2095 or
rhps1325@gmail.com

PREPARE FOR BUSH FIRE



Southern Valley Folk Club presents



Saturday 19 October

Nethercote Hall

Doors open 5pm - Starts 6pm

Food available in break. BYO drinks.

Dan Cully

Ring Ray Gardaya for bookings 0447455695



Towamba
Community
Church
Sundays
at 4pm

All welcome



FIRE PERMITS
NOW DONE
ONLINE

1. Plan the burn ahead of time
2. Use QR or rfs.nsw.gov.au to apply for a permit to burn.
3. Submitted application is received by the volunteer permit officer who may wish to view before approving
4. You will be notified and sent a permit via email.
5. Go to the website again and submit a notification to burn. You will have to put in your fire permit (FP) number, (red font top RHS)
6. Notify your neighbours 24hrs prior to burning.

Alternatively call Towamba captain Peter Knight A/H 0429 837 621



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