



TERM 1

WEEK 8

THURSDAY 20 MARCH 2025

Coming Events

Fri 21 March	Life Education
Fri 28 March	AFL #4
Fri 4 April	AFL #5- last one
Fri 4 April	Scripture church
Mon 7 April	Welcome afternoon
Thurs 10 April	End of Term Assembly
Fr 11 April	Last day of term

Term 2- some early dates for your calendar

28/29 April	Staff days
Wed 30 April	Students return
Thurs 1 May	Towamba Cross Country
14-15 May	Stage 2 Kianinny Camp
Fri 16 May	District Cross Country
Wed 21 May	Nat Simult. Storytime
Thurs 12 June	FSCSS Athletics Carnival Wyndham
17-19 June	SCLC Performing Arts



Attached:

- Kianinny camp info
- Welcome afternoon
- NPWS Holiday activities
- Healthy lunch info
- Stewart House Donation Drive

I hope everyone is adjusting to our new fortnightly newsletter. It still seems to come around very quickly to me. Please remember that there may be extra notes in students bags in between newsletters, so keep an eye out for these as you are collecting lunch boxes from bags each day.

As you would be aware, the Council is planning to undertake roadworks on the Eden-Towamba road. The signage says that this was due to commence on 17th March however after a lively town discussion, this start date has been pushed back to 31st March to accommodate the pre-booked car rally on 29th March. As of Thursday last week, there was no new confirmation about the road closure and whether this will be partial closure or full closure, either way, this will have an impact on our families and potentially on some school activities. It is important to remember that while this will be an inconvenience to most of us, it is important that the road be fixed, so patience and kindness is encouraged. I asked the council representatives to communicate with the school when decisions have been made so that we can disseminate the information to our school community. When we have more information we will share it.

Thank you very much to Kate Clery who visited our school last week to speak with the 3-6 students about the history of our local area. It is always so valuable to have the students learn from people other than their teachers and the visit with Kate was no exception. The students have all been enjoying exploring Kate's website and learning about the history of Towamba and surrounds. It was also a good opportunity to utilise the history files created for the school's 150th back in 2012. Thank you very much Kate.

Tomorrow we welcome back everyone's favourite giraffe, Harold. Again, students will have the opportunity to have their learning supplemented by an incursion in a new learning space. The visit of Harold is always a highlight of primary school and I am confident this one will be too. These additional learning programs are tailored to support our school programs and are a valuable opportunity. Thank you to the P&C who are again covering this whole cost to support our families. To show them your appreciation and gratitude, you might find the time to support the upcoming car rally on 29th March. There are lots of ways to support this, from baking, donating eggs or giving some of your time on the day to help in the canteen or on the bbq. Help the P&C to continue helping you by giving a little of your time in some way.

Finally from me, mark Thursday 10th April on your calendar for the end of term assembly. This term we are trialling a 9:30am start for the assembly so that parents and carers can stay at school after school drop off and not have to come back later. We invite you to come along and share our student achievement. We also invite you to bring along a plate for a shared morning tea afterwards. We hope to see you there.

Ms Barrow

Life Education

Tomorrow the Life Education van will be outside our school for some more great learning with Harold and Tegan, the Life Educator. Thanks to those doing their online consent so quickly after the last newsletter. A big thanks to the P&C for covering the full cost of this for all of our students.

Kianinny Camp

We are very excited to share that plans are being made for another Stage 2 camp at Kianinny in mid-May next term. This is a great introductory camp for our students in Year 3 & 4, as for many it may be their first overnight trip without their family. Unfortunately we do not have the same special funding we had last year that covered the whole cost, but we are very fortunate that the P&C have pledged to cover half the costs for families. More information is attached.

Creative Arts Camp

Don't forget the deadline for the Murrumbateman Transitions Creative Arts Camp for Year 5 & 6 students is Friday 11 April- last day of term. More information on the QR code. This is the last time this image will be in the newsletter. Please let Ms Barrow know if you have submitted an EOI.

School Psychologist

It was lovely to have a visit last week from Ms Ashleigh Geldenhuys, our new school psychologist. At this stage she will be attending our school two days a term. We have updated the consent form on School Bytes so if you are happy for Ashleigh to have a chat with your child please complete this form. Please note we do need a new referral as it is a new person. You can either give simple consent, or fill in Part B if there are details you would like to add.

Welcome Afternoon

To welcome our new school psychologist we are hosting a welcome afternoon. Come along for a casual shared lunch (simple lunch provided), have a chat and catch up, and participate in some fun indoor games. We are also hoping to launch our Learning Superpowers on this day. See the attached flyer for more information and please RSVP for catering purposes. The RSVP link will also be sent in an email tomorrow morning.

End of Term Assembly

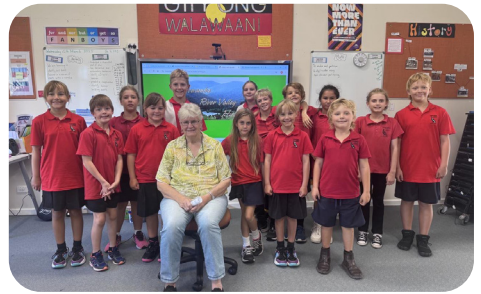
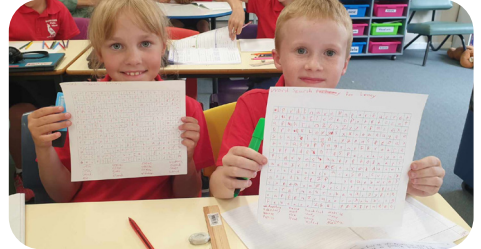
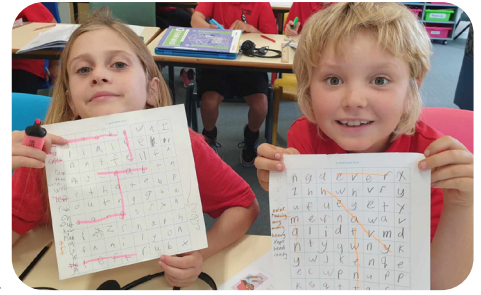
We look forward to sharing our term 1 activities with everyone in the last week of term on Thursday 10 April at our school assembly. We will be having the assembly straight up at 9:30am so parents/carers can stay at drop off. We will then have a shared morning tea. Please bring a plate. We hope to have lots of parents/carers in attendance.

Stewart House

Stewart House is an amazing program that supports children in need. As part of their annual Donation Drive families can choose to donate \$2 and go in the running to win a family holiday to the value of \$4000. See the attached envelope. This year you can also make your payment on-line but be sure to include the receipt number on your envelope for the draw. We are doing it a little early and please request that envelopes are returned by the last day of this term. Donations are then processed and the envelopes are posted into Sydney for the draw in May.

We also plan to hold a cake raffle on the assembly day to generate some additional funds to send to Stewart House from our area. We are lucky to have Mrs Schollar's mum Jenny Smith providing another wonderful cake for this raffle. Tickets will be \$2 each, 3 for \$5 or 7 for \$10 and can be purchased any time from now until the assembly day, when it will be drawn.

Tomorrow





Calling all young creatives! ARTlantis awaits!

Transitions Small Schools Creative Arts Camp is a dynamic 3-day camp designed for Years 5 and 6 students from NSW public small schools.

At ARTlantis, you'll make waves with new friends, ride the creative current, and bring your artistic treasures to life in an immersive, ocean-inspired arts adventure!

Applications are now open and close on:
Friday 11 April 2025 (Term 1 Week 11)

Scan the QR code to learn more and secure your spot.

SCAN ME




Premier's Reading Challenge

Celebrate the joy of reading by participating in the 2025 Premier's Reading Challenge. Check out the new area in the library for some inspiration and get reading and get logging! Students can access the PRC Student Experience site using the school username and password (check the password placemat). A bookmark is attached to keep you motivated! The challenge ends on Friday 22 August so there's plenty of time to get reading! If you don't like to use QR codes you can just google it.



Premier's Reading Challenge



log your reading now!

SENTENCE SHOWCASE

Week 8

Harmony Marley

Some people think war is the only way to get what they want but actually harmony is better than war by far, in any culture.

SENTENCE SHOWCASE

Week 7

Reluctantly Zee

As I reluctantly walked over to the cliff edge, I held my breath and looked back a final time. Then jumped.

P&C News

FRIDAY Lunches

Plain meat pie	\$4.00
Gluten Free pie	\$4.50
Cheese/Bacon	\$4.50
Chicken/mushrm	\$4.50
Term 1 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

This term's special pies

- Spinach & Cheese Triangles
- Thai Chicken Pie
- BBQ Rump & caramelised Onion

VOLUNTEER ROSTER

Tomorrow: Karen

Next week: Bekie/Steph

Fri 21 Mar	Karen
Fri 28 Mar	Bekie/Steph
Fri 4 April	Keri
Fri 11 April	VACANT

Friday Lunches

We are looking for just one more volunteer for the last day of term. If you can help out please contact the lunches co-ordinator, Lindy Cooper, on 0415 964 144 after hours. Don't forget students can now order plain milk with their lunch if they prefer!

Car Rally

The P&C will be catering the car rally event on Sat 29th March from 7am - 6pm.

Esther is currently rostering helpers in shorter blocks to help share the load. If you are able to **volunteer**, even just for a short time, please contact Esther on 0402 613 960. Helpers for BBQ, prep and serving in kitchen are needed. We are also selling tea, coffee and cakes and would love donations of **cakes and slices** to sell. These could be brought in to school on Friday 28th or to the hall on the day.

Unable to help? Come and check out the cars and get a bacon and egg roll, sausage sandwich, rissole roll, cold drinks, coffee, tea and cakes and support your school P&C with your purchase!

Saturday 29 March

Second Hand uniforms

Parents are welcome to come and have a look through- there's some great items in the 2nd hand box! We can have it out on assembly day if you'd like to check through it. These items are free.

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

Towamba P&C Account details

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

Community News

EPHEMERAL FESTIVAL 2025

SATURDAY 12 APRIL
PANBOOLA WETLANDS
9AM - 2PM
FREE ENTRY
EVERYONE WELCOME
WORKSHOP BOOKINGS URL: PANBOOLA.COM

PERFORMANCES
CREATIVE WORKSHOPS
DEMONSTRATIONS
ART
CRAFT
FOOD + COFFEE
STALLS

Celebrating the Landscape of Panboola and the Creativity it Inspires

Sponsored by -
AUSSENCE
OF TRAINING

Fling Physical Theatre Performance
Story Tree
One Day Choir

WORKSHOPS

Garment Glow-Up Printing Bar
creative station
Installation Artists

Free-range & Unplugged
Latvian Independence Day

all day

Panboola plant and artisan stall
Potteroo Palace info exhibit & cross-cultural community craft station
Rotary sausage sizzle
CWA sweet bread stall
Food Matters catering van
Billy & Bloom coffee van

Service NSW

Active & Creative Kids vouchers
<https://www.service.nsw.gov.au/active-and-creative-kids-voucher>

Sat 29th March ALL DAY til LATE

Candelo Village Festival

10th EDITION

free event

BEGINNINGS

WHAT HAS BEEN. WHAT IS BECOMING.

live entertainment · community art
workshops · market stalls · family friendly

program of events presented by proudly supported by

www.candeloartsociety.org

CANDELO ARTS SOCIETY NSW GOVERNMENT BEGA VALLEY FIRE COUNCIL SOUTH EAST ARTS

LIVE ENTERTAINMENT UNORDINARY AVE WORKSHOPS TALKS/SPECIAL EVENTS

SHARING SONGS & STORIES OF ON STAGE TOGETHER

DANIEL CHAMPAGNE
ISABEL RUMBLE
FELICITY DOWD
KIM CHURCHILL

Home: A special opening concert on the eve of the festival featuring four songsmiths who had their beginnings in the beautiful Bega Valley: Daniel Champagne, Felicity Dowd, Isabel Rumble and Kim Churchill. Highly regarded in the festival and live music scene, it is a total honour to have them on stage together as they share stories and songs of home and their subsequent individual journeys in a one-off collaborative concert celebrating what has been and what is becoming. Friday March 28th, 7:30pm, Candelo Town Hall. Tickets: \$50/CAS members \$45 at www.candeloartsociety.org

CANDELO TOWN HALL FRI MAR 28TH 7:30PM
CANDELO VILLAGE FEST EVE
PRESENTED BY CANDELO ARTS SOCIETY
TICKETS \$50 CAS MEMBERS \$45
CAS BAR & FOOD AVAILABLE
CANDELOARTSSOCIETY.ORG

SAPPHIRE COAST HOCKEY

Come join us for another fun year of hockey on the Sapphire Coast.

STARTS SATURDAY 3 MARCH, 2025

- Mixed
- Womens
- Juniors
- Hook in 2 Hockey

All ages & abilities welcome

Keith Mitchell Sportsground
Valley St, Bega NSW 2650

Questions? email: sapphirecoasthockey@gmail.com
More information: www.sapphirecoasthockey.org.au

Quaama and Towamba workshops

Feral cat and feral pig workshop - Quaama | 25 March
Feral pig and deer workshop - Towamba | 27 March

South East Local Land Services
March 11 at 12:00 PM
Attention Quaama and Towamba locals! Get pests on your radar! Learn how to spot and control pest species affecting the Bega Valley and Eurobodalla regions. Join our biosecurity team at two upcoming workshops to discover the signs, control methods and how we can assist through aerial shooting, trapping, and ground shooting.

Feral pig and deer workshop - Towamba | 27 March | 10 am - 12 pm
<https://bit.ly/3FQwqix>

Miso workshop

Bega Valley Seed Savers are running a miso making workshop on Saturday 22 March at 2pm in Bega. Soybeans and other consumable supplied. You will go home with a jar of newly made miso which needs to ferment for 6-12 months before use. Bring a 500ml straight sided glass jar, and \$20 to cover venue costs.

Reserve your spot at <https://events.humanitix.com/bega-miso-workshop> or scan the QR

TAI CHI

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

Justice of the Peace (JP) Drop-in Service

Every Tuesday, 11:30am - 1:30pm
You can now access the services of a JP at Tura Marrang Library.
No need to book, just drop in.

FIRE PERMITS STILL REQUIRED UNTIL 31 MARCH

Apply online or call Towamba captain Peter Knight A/H 0429 837 621

Towamba Community Church Sundays at 4pm

All welcome