**Dates for your diary**

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**Surveys**

Thank you to everyone who gave feedback and suggestions through our recent surveys and thank you too for all the positive and complimentary remarks about the school. It is always gratifying to receive recognition of the work that is done here by all of the staff for the benefit of the students and the community.

100% of KindyStart parents surveyed agreed that their child: had positively benefited from the program; enjoyed the days; was now better prepared for Kindergarten. They all also all agreed that: the activities were suitable and supported successful transition to Kindergarten; they would recommend KindyStart to other parents; one full day per week was a successful attendance ratio. Thank you to Nicci Grant for ensuring the success of this initiative.

**School Vision Statement & School Motto**

Respect and care for everyone and everything around us was the statement most selected (a clear winner) in the survey asking your opinions on a school vision statement. In combination with other selected statements I have come up with a draft:

Towamba Public School is a respectful and caring place where students develop as confident and creative individuals and responsible and successful contributors to society.

“Dream, Believe, Achieve” has been put forward as a school motto. What do you think? What do you think the school motto should be? Please take a moment to reflect and then give me your opinion on the suggestion sheet attached to this newsletter.

Kathryn Davis
Principal

**LUNCH ORDERS**

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Please write your order on a paper bag with the (correct if possible) money enclosed.

**Attached to this newsletter:**

- School vision feedback
- Jindabyne info for Years 5/6
- Pool party EOI
Jindabyne Camp next Wednesday
Students in Year 5 and 6 will find some more information about the Jindabyne camp attached, including packing information.

Please ensure that you are waiting at Wyndham School ahead of time. The bus will pick up at 8.30am. Ms Hopson will also be boarding the bus at Wyndham.

A small bag to carry on the bus is advised, which includes your water bottle, morning tea and lunch for the first day, plus book etc for the travel time. First stop for both buses is Cooma for morning tea.

The bus will return to Wyndham sometime between 4.30 and 5.30pm on the Friday. Please ensure that someone is there to meet your child.

Have a great time Stage 3!

School swimming lessons
Students in Years 2 to Year 6 will be participating in the School Swimming Scheme at the Sapphire Aquatic Centre from Monday 24 to Friday 28 November. Mr Bell is accompanying the students. These days involve travelling to the pool each day by bus, leaving at approximately 11.00am for two swimming lessons running sequentially from 12.15 to 1.30.

Please ensure that payments are made by 10 November.

The red swimming bags provided by the school are to be used to bring your swimming gear to school. For the Year 2 students and any other students joining the swimming scheme for the first time—swimming bags are supplied on receipt of the swimming fee.

Cake Raffles
Our raffles continue, with some make-up cake days and staff cakes too.

Rosters
This week:
Thurs 30 Oct– no raffle
Fri 31 Oct: George
Next week:
Thurs 6 Nov: James
Fri 7 Nov: Nancy
Following week:
Thurs 13 Nov: Ty
Fri 14 Nov: Saxon– new date

TICKETS
$1
or 3 for $2

Funds raised so far

| Stage 2 cakes on Thursdays | Sydney | $43 | $278 |
| Stage 3 cakes on Fridays | Jindabyne | - | $332 |

Last week’s winners
Thursday cake: Grace
Friday cake: no raffle

Sydney Excursion Friday 5 December
Thanks to the families returning their paperwork for Sydney so promptly, and sending in your Medicare card to be copied and sent home.

Many people have finished paying off the excursion fee too, all other outstanding amounts must be paid before 1 December. Please contact the school if you wish to discuss your payments.

We suggest that the red school swimming bag be used as a backpack for the excursion too.

More information soon about the dinner options at the airport.

Garden Spring Blitz
We had a wonderful day, and greatly appreciate the assistance of our wonderful parents on a hot humid Spring day! Future plans were discussed with parents welcome to visit the garden early in the mornings on Thursday when children are dropped off at school. More photos on the school website.
Grow Your Own Oysters program  306 class
Our second excursion is tomorrow. Please ensure students arrive at school promptly to travel on the bus to Broadwater Oysters at Pambula Lake. Morning tea, lunch and a water bottle should be taken. School uniform including hats, and suitable shoes. Photos will be posted on the school website later this week. Thank you to Local Land Services for supporting our school with this excursion.

School Radio
The school radio program (on the first Tuesday of each month in term time) is coming up again. There are only two radio shows left for the year— Tuesday 4 November and 2 December.
Students who haven't done a radio show should think about volunteering as the roster has been a bit mixed up this year with students away or not prepared.

Year 7 Orientation
Year 6 students will be travelling on the high school bus to Eden Marine High School on Wednesday 3 December for the Year 7 Orientation Day.
More information on this soon.

KindyStart picnic day
K12 and the KindyStart kids are planning a celebration picnic day on Friday 5 December—which will be the last day for Kindy Start and also when they have the school to themselves!
Parents and younger siblings are invited to come along for a relaxed picnic lunch. If you know any other new families with younger children in the area that might be interested in Kindy Start for next year please invite them along.
2015 enrolment will also be discussed and enrolment packs given out to those starting next year. Nicci Grant will be contacting parents soon to have a chat if indicated on the recent survey.
More information soon.

Principal Position at Towamba 2015
As you are aware, with the reclassification of our school to a PP6 school, Ms Davis has been placed as the Principal at Nimmitabel PS next year.
The 2015 position at Towamba will be advertised within the DEC in the next few weeks. Subsequently the interview panel (made up of two other Principals, a teacher and a parent) will review the applicants and then proceed to interview if there are suitable applicants who meet the listed criteria.
We will keep our school families updated of any news once any decisions are made.

P&C News

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<td>The BBQ will run for about 2 hours from 6.30am.</td>
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<td>The organisers are very happy they will have a fresh breakfast option for the race support crew. (not sure what the runners do for food!)</td>
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<td>If you can volunteer your time to assist with this please contact Rachel on 6496 7046.</td>
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Next P&C Meeting
Tuesday 25 November 9.30am
Concert/Farewell planning
Community News

Zumba Exercise
Please note: Zumba has been discontinued.

Playgroup
every Tuesday
9.30am In the MPR

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