Dear Parents and Carers,

Curriculum and Learning News
As you know I attended the Hume Region Principal Conference on Monday and Tuesday. And a large region it is! As a group we focussed on what it means to be a ‘Great’ school looking at both culture and academic data. Needless to say Mt Beauty has ‘Great’ by the bucket-load but it doesn’t mean we should rest on our laurels, rather aim even higher. As part of our PLT meetings we have already begun discussions about what this means for our students – increasing attainment for the high achievers as well as those we support with learning difficulties.

As part of the conference, the Region’s new resource Classroom Teaching Techniques was launched. This has been put together by looking at what ‘excellent’ practitioners do to engage students in their learning and set and achieve higher goals with them. Teachers will have a look at what they would like to focus on explicitly for development (e.g. Feedback and Reflection, Explicit Teaching, How Students Learn, etc) as a whole staff via an evaluation tool. As a school we will then weave that through the Numeracy and Literacy PLT focus already underway.

CRE Form
Please send the annual form back tomorrow and indicate ‘yes’ or ‘no’ on the sheet. It is a standard proforma that gives permission to send the students to CRE classes or exempt them. Please take a couple of seconds to fill and sign to indicate your wishes to save me a zillion phone calls for clarification. Teacher’s will be negotiating times with the CRE teachers soon and will need to plan alternative activities so your prompt attention is very much appreciated.

Long Weekend
Just a reminder (for those who haven’t been hanging out for it??), this is the Labor Day long weekend and therefore there is no school on Monday. Enjoy your family time safely with all the water that is around...

Cheers
Briony x
**SRC ELECTIONS**
Our elections were held yesterday with the help of Elaine from the Australian Electoral Commission. Congratulations to Maddi Eriksson, Jarrah Forrer, Clare McMahon and Aidan Grace. Their badges will be presented at next week's assembly.

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**TOMORROW’S ASSEMBLY WILL INCLUDE THE OPENING OF THE BER BUILDING INCLUDING READING THE MINISTER’S LETTER**

**CLASS PRESENTATION IS BY:**
**THE ARTS VAN GOGH - YEAR 1/2**

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**RADIO PRESENTER’S COURSE**
The radio course is well underway! 21 students meet with Grahame every Thursday morning.

Below are Taya, Peter and Tarita practising to present their commercial.

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**THE RED BIN**
The RED BIN outside the school office is for flexible plastics, that don’t belong in our recycle bins. Plastic bags, bread bags, fruit & beg bags, frozen food bags can all be placed in the RED BIN.

Students are encouraged to bring plastic bags from home to put in the bin.

This is a great way for us all to divert our flexible plastics from going to landfill!

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**CANTEEN NEWS**

**FOR RECESS ONLY—**
**ENGLISH MUFFINS**
**50 cents a slice**
Sunflowers and Moody Skies
Year 1/2


A calm, peaceful day
A calm, peaceful rainbow
A happy, peaceful sunset
A soft, starry night
A scary, stormy day
COMMUNITY NEWS

AUSTRALIAN RED CROSS
TAWONGA UNIT
ANNUAL LUNCHEON
TAWONGA HALL
MONDAY 19TH MARCH
12.00 MIDDAY
$15.00 PER HEAD
ALL WELCOME

WOMEN’S AND KIDS MOUNTAIN BIKING WEEKEND
SAT & SUN 10 & 11TH MARCH
BILL HILL MTB PARK
This is a weekend designed for novices on a mountain bike. No matter your size, shape, fitness level or bike, come along and enjoy!
Saturday 10th March: Women at 10.00am, kids (aged 4—18) at 11.30am.
BYO MTB, good mood, laughs and $5.00 with proceeds to go to hospital fundraiser.
Sunday 11th March will be a junior girls and boys event under several different categories. 10am start $10.00 entry, prizes and a course where you can see the cherubs most of the way around.
Any queries please phone Lauren 0418 371715.

MASSIVE GARAGE SALE
SATURDAY 10TH MARCH
8.30AM (No Earlier)
3 Tawonga Cres, Mt Beauty

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SATURDAY 10TH MARCH
9.00am TO 1.00pm
45 St Bernard Drive
Tawonga South

A big congratulations to Josh Tanzen, Aiden Grace, Noah Tanzen, Ben Plummer, Conner Raw and Ethan Grace, who competed in the Under 12’s Basketball Tournament at Benalla last weekend. This was a regional Tournament and all boys played exceptionally well. Mt Beauty Brumbies play every Thursday at the Stadium from 4pm, new players are always welcome, if your child is interested, you can call Sharon Plummer on 57541181. Or just turn up!

MT BEAUTY BRUMBIES
Monday 26th March
Basketball Clinics with Megan Moody
U8 & U 10’s 4.15pm to 5.00pm
U12 & U14  5.00pm to 6.00pm
U16 & U18’s  6.00pm to 7.00pm
NO BASKETBALL 29TH MARCH

Mt Beauty Soccer Club will start training on Saturday 17th March 10.30am @ football ground. Registration was last Saturday but due to bad weather we are leaving registration open for the next 3 weeks.
Total Girl Tournament training will continue Monday Nights @ the football ground 6pm.
The U12’s have been cancelled due the lack of numbers but any U12 girls still interested can still go and play in the U14’s.
Contact: Ron Crawford 57544886 or 0413 339 570, or just come down on training day!!

Easter is almost here which means family, friends and yummy chocolate but for some it is not as exciting. Some children spend their Easter in hospital with saddening illnesses so how about joining us to show your support.
Good Friday appeal raises money to help the Royal Children’s Hospital provide the best possible care and equipment to those children who are ill.
So please show your support, gather up your friends, mums, dads, grandparents or come along yourself and we will get you walking and collecting for this amazing organization.
We will be at the Mt Beauty Fire Station from 9am on Friday the 6th April. Hope to see your there!!!
Sarah Minutello and Chris Hollonds-0417657128

Walkers needed
Area managers for the Good Friday Appeal.