

Working with Articles Themes 5 & 6

Articles are like the front page of a newspaper – a place to host your most important information and recent news that changes often. You don't want your articles to go stale – changing your articles often ensures your users know that you are constantly updating your site.

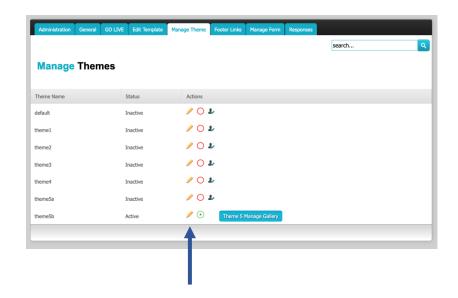
Articles can be displayed in 5 different formats and you can change this format at any stage. Displaying with images is the most popular and the Recommended Dimensions are 600 x 400 pixels

We have a bank of images on our site – SUPPORT – <u>Image Bank for Articles</u>. There are over 800 images for you to use.

Articles are particular important if you are using the eNews module.

To change your Article Display style in theme 5a/5b

- Set Up
- Manage Theme
- · Click on the pencil beside your current theme





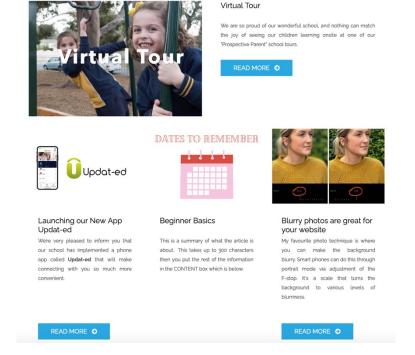
- You can choose to display with or without pictures, and then 5 options for layout:
 - 1 article per line
 - 2 articles per line
 - 3 articles per line
 - 1 hero article taking full width followed by 2 articles per line
 - 1 hero article taking full width followed by 3 articles per line



The most popular display is Hero 3x

Recent News

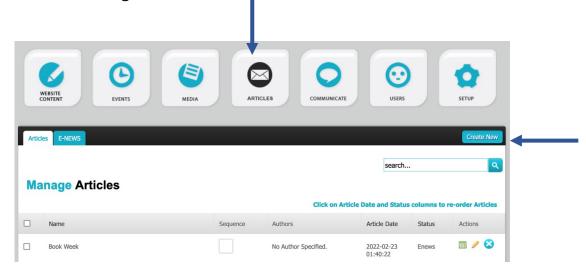
1 hero article (generally a Welcome or call for Enrolment) followed by 3 articles per line.





CREATING A RECENT NEWS ARTICLE

Click on the big button ARTICLES then click on Create New



- Browse your computer for an image for your article. We have a bank of images for you to download over 800 graphics sized perfectly for your Articles. Or choose on of your own images.
- Dimensions for Article Images are 600 x 400 pixels



 Select the best portion of the image and click on the Crop Image button once your picture is loaded.

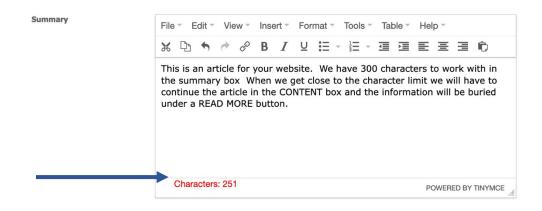


The summary box is the information that appears on your Homepage. The Content box houses the rest of the information in a built in "Read More" button.

If your article is short and sharp and needs no "Read More" button, then leave the content box blank.

The SUMMARY box can display up to 300 characters You CAN NOT add images, bullets or new lines into the summary box. There is limited formatting in this field to maintain the design integrity of your homepage).

Type your lead article text into the Summary box

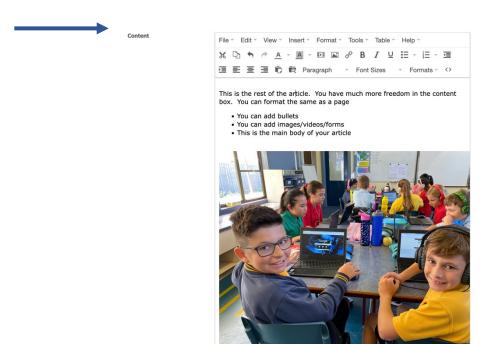


When the character count gets close to 300, finish in this box and move to the **Content/Read More** box.



The Content/Read More box has full freedom for publishing. You can add images, videos, bullets, numbering, forms etc.

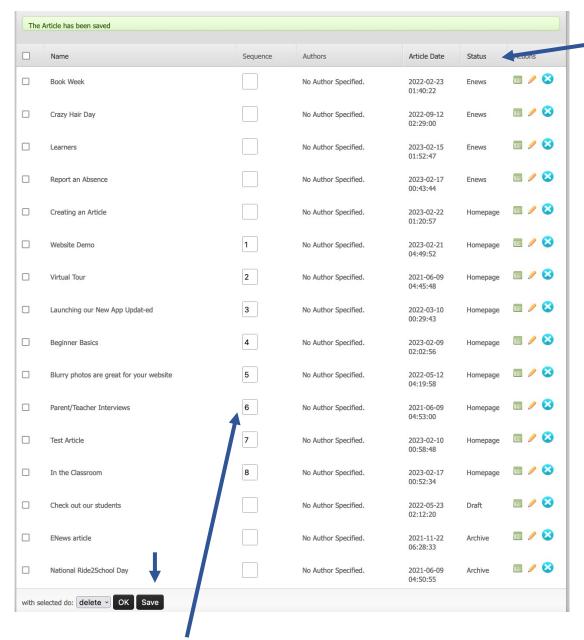
This is the main body of your article.



- Once you have finished updating the Content/Read More, you can choose PUBLISH TO. This gives you the option to save as
 - Draft if it's not quite ready
 - Homepage if you want your article live on your website
 - **eNews** if you have activated this service you can create articles that are just for the newsletter, not live on your site
 - Archive if the article is no longer required on your homepage



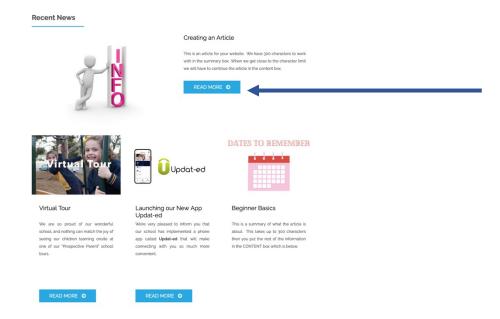
 You will land back to see your list of articles. Each article has a status. At the top of the stack will ALWAYS be your eNews (if you use this service). Homepage articles are then listed next. Drafts are below this, with Archives at the end of the list.



• You should sequence your HOMEPAGE articles, 01, 02, 03 etc. so that they appear in the order that you have chosen. Once you sequence them, click on SAVE.



• This article has been sequenced to position 01, so it will appear as the first article on the homepage.



• Click on Read More to see the rest of your article. It knits the summary and the content together, keeping the article in context.





• If your article is short and sharp (under 300 characters) you might not need the content box to be populated. If the content box is left blank, no Read More button will display.



Recent News



Creating an Article

This is an article for your website. We have 300 characters to work with in the summary box. When we get close to the character limit we will have to continue the article in the content box.





DATES TO REMEMBER



Virtual Tour

We are so proud of our wonderful school, and nothing can match the joy of seeing our children learning onsite at one of our 'Prospective Parent' school tours.

Launching our New App Updat-ed

We're very pleased to inform you that our school has implemented a phone app called **Updat-ed** that will make connecting with you so much more convenient.

Beginner Basics

This is a summary of what the article is about. This takes up to 300 characters then you put the rest of the information in the CONTENT box which is below.