PRINCIPAL’S REPORT

- The torrential downpour we had this week really tested our aged buildings and rusty roof. In cases of emergency we contact the Emergency Management Department and they advise us as to what action we must take.
- Office staff and the Principal class spent most of Wednesday phoning parents to inform them of road closures and bus route issues. A letter was sent home to advise parents of possible bus route changes that may occur on Thursday. Overall things went fairly smoothly. However we still had some children who had difficulty getting home.
- The bus drivers and bus companies kept the school informed of any transport issues throughout Wednesday and Thursday morning. We rely on the advice of the local Police and Corangamite Shire to make our decisions regarding the suitability of roads. In times like this parents can assist by making a decision about the travel arrangements of their own child. If in doubt you are welcome to come and collect your child and take them home. Your own knowledge of your local road conditions is probably more reliable.
- If you can assist with the school BBQ to be held on Election Day please let me know. If you can provide produce to sell on the store, just drop it at the school at a convenient time.

If you have any concerns or issues that you wish to discuss with me please feel free to contact me as follows: School (55983381)

ROSALIE MOORFIELD
PRINCIPAL

Bronwyn Lenihan and Debbie Dalziel parent helpers at work.
CALENDAR:
August
13th  Love Drunk Yr 9 & 10
17th  ICAS Mathematics
19th  Bricks Day Out
20th  Year 3 & 4 Hoop time
23rd  Book Week
24th  HSSSA Winter Round Robin
27th  Primary Hockey
30-3rd  Year 10 Work Experience
30-3rd  Literacy/Numeracy Week

Congratulations to: All our students, staff and bus drivers who have shown patience and resilience in dealing with the very difficult weather conditions we have experienced.

ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL

REPORT

VCE/VCAL Information Evening: Due to the inclement weather on Wednesday this was cancelled. The information evening has now been rescheduled to Tuesday 17th August at 7:30pm in the 5.8 building.

Ultracet: Last Monday Rosalie Moorfield, Andrea Taylor and myself attended the principals big day out in Melbourne. This was the official launch of the Ultracet for all Victorian Government schools. As you may have heard in the media, unfortunately this system failed to work at different stages during the day affecting staff completing Ultracet training. Despite these difficulties, this did not impact on our school in a negative way. Our staff rallied together and were provided with alternative activities by our lead using staff who tremendous job under frustrating conditions, to assist with planning for the implementation of the Ultracet. In the coming months there will be further release stages of the Ultracet. These stages will focus on students and parents access to the Ultracet. In the long term parents and students will be able to view and become involved in their child's education. Terms such as Blogs, Wikki's and RSS will become the norm and communication between home and school is expected to improve. We know sometimes technology can let us down. It's important to keep in mind that initiatives such as the Ultracet are created to improve education and communication.

Buses: Thank you to all parents, students and staff for your patience and co-operation on Wednesday. Together we ensured all students returned home safely. There are still some bus routes that may be affected in the coming days. If you have any questions regarding this matter please contact the school.

And remember: "Climate is what we expect, weather is what we get.” Anon.

SEAN FITZPATRICK – ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL

This week our ‘class of the week’ will be awarded on the grades understanding and response to the Covey concept of “interdependence.” In selecting my topic for this award I am as much testing you, as the parents in our school, as I am the students. Basically, interdependence is the an understanding that we are all linked and that many outcomes are only possible if we join forces and work together to achieve our goals. This past weekend was identified as a “head lice action weekend” as you are aware on these weekends we send notes to all our families asking that they check and treat any head lice problems at the same time in the hope that together we are able to break the life cycle of this long standing problem. Each family is then asked to return their information slip to school so that we are able to see which families are working with us on this issue. This method of attack only works if we as a community understand that we are interdependent and that as individuals we struggle to have the desired effect but collectively we can have a massive impact on this problem. We need to understand that we all rely on each other acting responsibly together to achieve our goal. With all this being said our class of the week will be the one that has 100% note return indicating that they are working together. Initial slip return this weekend is at 54% (Replied by Wednesday) which means that we still have 46 % of our families working on understanding how their lack of action affects the rest of our school community.

This week our office ladies have begun the task of making sure that our school records are current for each family. If your family has moved, altered phone numbers or even changed the emergency contact procedures that you would like us to follow here at school then it is important that our school records match your current requirements. Please take the time to check the details sent home and return with any changes you need made.

For all those parent who made alternate arrangements instead of bus use on Wednesday we thank you for your co-operation and patience. At one point in time we had every phone in the admin building being used and a line up out the door of parents and students signing in and out and confirming what arrangements had been made to accommodate the “rather soggy” conditions we were experiencing. If you are wondering how we got on here at school maybe these photos may shed some light on our situation.
ANDREA TAYLOR, ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL

9-12 SUBSCHOOL REPORT
Although the VCE/VCAL information evening has been postponed, planning for 2011 needs to continue. Year 11 students are reviewing their pathways planning and submitting their course preferences next week. Year 10 students are also focusing on possible occupations, career and training pathways, to develop a course wish list, to be submitted next week. A reminder that students can access occupation and training information in their Job Guides (each student has been given their own copy of this), as well as accessing many internet sites, including the www.myfuture.edu.au website that we have been using in home group. The information about student preferences will be used to guide the development of the VCE / VCAL subjects offered.
The next step in this process is course counseling which is planned for Wednesday 25th August. It is anticipated the VCE / VCAL information evening will be held on Tuesday evening next week.
Students are also reminded of the Careers Info at Call evening to be held in Cobden next week. To ensure students are able to attend their preferred sessions, selection sheets for the different sessions should have been returned to General Office.
Year 9 / 10 students have been fortunate to be involved in both the Cultural Performance at school Thursday and the Love Drunk Performance at Camperdown on Friday. Follow up reports on these in next weeks newsletter.

JULIE BROOMHALL, 5-8 SUBSCHOOL LEADER

5-8 SUB-SCHOOL REPORT
This week’s newsletter is a random collection of candid comments on aspects school students are currently enjoying. Information on the events at last Friday’s year five/six Healthy Lifestyles finale can be found elsewhere in the newsletter. I would particularly like to mention the huge effort made toward the day by Mrs Moriarty and the team as far as food and prizes as well as the activities and safety of the students. Mrs Howland couldn’t resist a cameo appearance and has contributed to the newsletter report. Please remember the offer for a tour of the school as part of year 6 to 7 transition- phone the office for a time that suits you. Mark the 26th of August on your calendar for the 7.30 pm information evening.
Year 7: ‘I got to be goal attack in netball and I loved shooting goals.’
In General it is relaxing reading ‘Captain Mac’ because it is a great story and readers are supported by other people when it is their turn to read.
‘We love exploring a country of choice and finding out things about their culture and sports.’
‘Going to the gym in PE and working out.’

Year 8: ‘Making pancakes in Japanese using flour, bacon and mayonnaise with the sauce wasn’t so good.’
In Our School Our Buddies it was really cool when you taught the little buddies games and they listened to what you said and did it.
In English after watching a great movie called ‘Remember the Titans’, it was really interesting discussing the good and bad examples about racism.
Teachers have been using check lists to assist students with use of diaries for the recording of homework and other school events as well as endeavouring, in the time available, to include comments of their own about student attitude and work; this sometimes is in the form of a sticky label or ‘stamp’. Please ask after them.
Many students’ issues can also be quickly solved with a phone call; please contact your child’s home group teacher if you have any questions or concerns about your child and their schooling. They will do their best to sort them out, or to put you in touch with a staff member who can best assist in the matter.

JULIE NICHOLSON, 9-12 SUBSCHOOL LEADER

P-4 SUB-SCHOOL REPORT
The weather is wreaking havoc on our activities at the moment. Now may be a good time to give a few reminders I know I have written of before, but are still very relevant: Please make sure all your child’s clothes and belongings are clearly named. The lost property area outside the pink room is stacking up fast full of jumpers, shirts, socks etc. Special care should be taken with items such as coats, jumpers, shoes and socks. Some children may like to bring a pair of slippers to keep their feet warm and dry inside. You may also like to send a spare pair of socks in their bag.
The Prep children who are participating in PMP need to wear socks rather than tights to help speed up the packing up/returning to class process.
Please try to ensure your child/ren arrive at School after 8:30am. This will allow them access to the buildings and cut down the time spent outside in the cold.
These things are just little ways you could help your child/ren have a better day in this “yucky” weather.
The Prep children are working on solving and creating number stories. At home you can pose problems for them to solve. Language such as more/less, most/least, same/equal can be encouraged. During this week and next Shay Smith, a student teacher from Deakin University will be working in Prep C.

Grades 1 and 2 are looking at “Exploring Space”. They will be looking at the sun and stars. Students will be learning that the sun is a star, how the Milky Way is formed and that a constellation is a group of stars. These groups have special names and form patterns in the night sky. Students have even looked at their own Zodiac sign for a bit of fun. The spelling pattern for this week fits in beautifully to this theme. It is “ar” as in star.
In maths, both grades have been collecting and presenting data. The vocabulary used during these activities include: pictographs, most and least. The children are also being asked to make statements about the graph, showing their ability to interpret the data presented.
Grades 3 and 4 are finishing off our previous theme of “Day and Night” (with a little world geography thrown in) and are now moving into studying Victoria, it’s regions and how the land is used in each of these regions. We will also be revising and refreshing our awareness of personal safety. This means we will be looking at road safety, appropriate places to play, who would be able to help us if
we were lost etc. 3M are lucky to have Tracey Hickey, student teacher, working with them this week and next. The children were treated to a fantastic performance today entitled “Out of Africa”. Valanga Khoza was born in South Africa and uses music, dance and storytelling to share his own experiences of growing up in this country. Keep an eye out for some terrific recounts and/or stories inspired by today's event.

PAM HAWKINS, P-4 SUB-SCHOOL LEADER

OUT OF AFRICA – STORIES BY 3H

Valanga Khoza told prep to year 4 his story. When he was in Africa, I thought it was funny. He told us about the lion and the girl. The lion was trapped in a rope trap and he cried for help. The girl heard the lion yell. She went to see who it was. When she saw a lion, she knew that the lion would eat her so she made a deal with the lion. Next, she let the lion go but he broke his promise. After that Valanga played his musical instruments. He had chosen 4 people to come and help him. They helped him play a big instrument. In Africa they usually wear it around the waist, but they held it. He sang songs from Africa. Then he said goodbye to us.

Chloe McKenzie, 3H

On the twelfth of August the grades 4, 3, 2, 1 and Prep went down to the hall to watch “Out of Africa”. Valanga Khoza was the man speaking. At the start he played a flute. It was his Grandpa’s. Next he played the drums. The top that you bang is made out of cow skin. After that he played the thumb piano (you play it with your thumbs). Next, he played something that looked like a bow and arrow but you blow in it and you play it with a feather. Then he told a story that people told him in South Africa. Once there was a little girl. Her name was Dazal. Anyway, suddenly she heard a sound “Help me please”. So she went behind the bush and a lion was caught in a rope trap. So she let him go but he promised to not eat her. So when he was let go he wanted to eat her. But she said “Let’s go and see if the giraffe wanted you to eat me”. So they went to the giraffe and he said “Yes”. So they went to the elephant and he said “Yes”. So just as he was about to pounce, the monkey in the tree said that it wasn’t fair that she got him out of the trap and you want to eat her. Valanga said to tell him a teacher’s name. I wanted to say “Mrs H” but Ms Ludeman got picked. He did a silly song of her getting ready.

Melinda Moncrieff, 3H

Today, P-4 went down to the High School Hall to watch “Out of Africa”. The guy’s name was Valanga Khoza. When he named the instruments we had to copy. My favourite instruments were the drums. Valanga told us a story about a girl and a lion. It was very interesting. He sang a song about Ms Ludeman. It was funny. He’s really good. At the end he answered questions and then we went back to class.

Ben Berry, 3H

STORIES ABOUT THE BRUCKNELL BY 5M

On Friday we went to Brucknell for a great day in the sun. We did lots of great fun activities. A few people got leeches on them but they got them off. I liked the commando course the best because it tested your skills. We had healthy yummy hamburgers for lunch. James and Laura won the bikes. Some people were covered in mud because they were playing football. We all had a great day.

By Hamish Huffadine 5M

On Friday we got on the bus in the morning to go to Brucknell Scout Camp. 5M and 6C got on one bus and the other grades got on the other. I sat next to Jarrod across from Ellie and Sam. When we got there we played a game, it was like Scarecrow Tiggy. We played it on a big oval. It was really wet, there were puddles everywhere. Mrs Moriarty told us to get in our groups. I was in group 2. We were with Ms Kensit first. It was drawing, we shaded leaves with our crayons, it was fun. I was really excited I couldn’t wait for the other things that we were going to do. When we finished that we had Ms Togni, she was doing the initiative course. I was feeling great but it was hard with the big tyre. By Sophie Blain 5M
**Canteen Roster**

**Canteen Roster – Term 3**

**WEEK 6 (16th August – 20th August)**

Mon 16th
Simone Renyard
Berinda Both-Ondendaal

Tues 17th
Kartina Currell
Jenny Inglis

Wed 18th
Karen Delaney
Volunteer Required

Thurs 19th
Lisa Jacob
Steph Delaney

Fri 20th
Marnie Van Es
Jacqie Giblett
(12:00 – 2:00pm – Fiona McDonald)

**WEEK 7 (23rd August – 27th August)**

Mon 23rd
Leonie Wallace
Kim Spargo

Tues 24th
Jodie Skilbeck
Kate Croft

Wed 25th
Volunteer Required
Stephanie Kavenagh

Thurs 26th
Lee Hibberd
Julie Gass

Fri 27th
Jenny De Jong
Andrea Weel
(12:00 – 2:00pm – Volunteer Required)

**Parent Club News**

**TSPA Parents Say**

Love to hear from you!

Name: ______________________________________

Phone: _____________________________________

(So we can contact you and have a chat about your contribution.)

**TSPA Membership 2010**

**NAME:**

* Both parents can be members, but if you want 2 votes, you need to pay twice!

**Names & Grades of Children @ Timboon P-12**

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$2.20 Enclosed

**For Sale**

**Garage Sale**

16 Egan St, Timboon

Saturday

**Wanted To Buy**

Childs car booster seat

PHONE: 5598 3634

**Lost**

A size 2 black boot - At the Junior Disco at Rec Reserve. I have my size 2 boot and a size 13 boot. Has anyone picked up the wrong boot at the end of the night?

PHONE: 5598 5065

**Mitsubishi magna '94 model VGC, but motor blown**

PHONE: 5598 3630

**Purebred 19 month old pug – female – fawn/black mask, and feet – micro-chipped vac and wormed**

**Honda C+90 motorbike, good condition, needs a little work**

**Aquarium snails “apple snails” - great class cleaners for tanks from 50c each**

**“Rare” Dwarf clown Pleco’s - tropical’s $300 a pr**

**1st Timboon Scout Group**

**P-4 Disco**

**Photos for sale @ Timboon Post Office**

$1 each
Exciting activities for the whole family. Hunt the roaring wind, navigate for hidden treasure, explore the night sky, track local fauna and use your detective skills to uncover the secrets of our southern landscapes. For more information www.visit12apostles.com.au or phone 1300 137 255
Casual Clothes Day
Friday August 20th
$2 Gold Coin Donation
Money to fix netball and basketball rings

It's never too early!
All Year 7-12 students and parents are encouraged to attend...

CAREERS INFO - AT CALL
A huge Careers Information evening for the Camperdown College, Mercy Regional College, Timboon P-12, Hampden Specialist School and Cobden Technical School communities
on Wednesday 15th August (Week 6, Term 3)
@ Cobden Technical School
6.30pm – 8.30pm

Thanks to the support of local businesses and organisations, you will be able to find out about many careers, including:
- Fitness/Personal Training
- Accounting
- Local Government
- Veterinary Science
- Agriculture/Dairying
- Nursing/Allied Health
- Transport & Logistics
- Electrical
- Hospitality
- Banking
- Environment
- Building
- Manufacturing
- Engineering
- Pharmacy
- Physiotherapy
- Tourism
- Education
- Police
- Plumbing
- Retail
- Media
- Automotive
- Financial Planning

Plus Deakin University and South West TAFE re tertiary options and VET services.
Free courtesy busses will run from Timboon, Timboon and Siggers.
Select the careers you want to know more about. Selection sheets will be given to students at all five schools in the fourth week of Term 3.

All inquiries to your careers teachers - Janis Castle (Mercy Regional College), John Fallon (Camperdown College), Dave Depinet (Timboon P-12), Annalee Sedgey (Hampden Specialist School), Brett Taylor (Cobden Technical School) - or Kelvin White (South West LLEN) Contact: 0429 921 878