PRINCIPAL’S REPORT

- Congratulations to our new School Captains: Alexander Kerr, Cassandra Marr, Daniel Gorman, Nicole Johnstone, Sienna Harris and Brodie Askew. Seventeen VCE/VCAL students successfully met the interview criteria and presented their campaign speech to their House members. The interview process demonstrated the high capabilities of each applicant and the excellent leadership skills our students have developed.

- As we look forward to 2011 there will be a number of organisational changes in the school. The first is that our numbers at year seven seem to be growing from original parental indication. We need to confirm enrolments as soon as possible as several new enrolments last week indicate that we may need to run two classes. (Secondary classes are capped at 25).

- Enrolments for the VCAL program are also closing. It is capped at 20 students to ensure a quality program.

- The year nine and ten program will have a greater focus in Mathematics, English, Science and History with the introduction of the Core Subject system, thus allowing us to maintain the integrity of our elective unit system. We believe this will better prepare our students for VCE and VET programs and give further support to our excellent VCE results.

- Some exciting news is the appointment of Andrea Taylor as Assistant Principal P-6, Melissa McKenzie and Liam Venn (P-6), Penny Heazeldwood Maths/Science and Kane Horwill e-learning manager.

- The new Library is in the process of having the shelving erected and the books will be transferred from next week.

- School Council and TSPA are working hard to promote our school, your local school as a community hub that proudly meets the educational needs of all students, employs local people and supports local business. If you would like to join this campaign please speak to a School Council or TSPA representative.

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

CALENDAR:
November
4th  VCE Psychology, Account, Kinder Green visit
5th  VCE Maths methods, H.H.D exam, Kinder Gold visit
8th  VCE Maths method, Phys Ed,
9th  Bronze Medallion training
10th,12th  Year 3 Kangaroobie Camp, Year 11 Exams
10th  VCE Studio Arts
11th  VCE Chemistry, Business Management
12th  Year 9-10 Counselling
15th, 19th  Year 10 Work Experience
16th, 19th  Year 9 Great Ocean Walk
Today our School Captains for 2011 were announced. The quality of the field was outstanding and it was great to see a total of eighteen students nominate for a School Captain position. The process consisted of formal interview process with the Principal Class, the 9-12 Sub School Leader and our School President Garry Langenhuizen. Congratulations to the following students who will lead our school in 2011. Nicole Johnstone, Brodi Askew, Sienna Harris, Daniel Gorman, Cassandra Marr and Alexander Kerr. I would like to call on the unlucky candidates to assist our captains in 2011 and lead our students in any way they can.

On Friday morning we will be holding the Year 9 elective “Breaking New Ground” exhibition in the 5-8 building. Parents of these students have been invited to celebrate their child’s achievements.

Mobile phones/Ipods: Our school policy is currently being reviewed and refined to ensure student safety is protected. Please ensure you encourage your child to leave their mobile phone at home. If you need to contact your child please ensure you do so by contacting the general office.

2010 School Finishing Dates: The final day for Year 11 classes will the 19th of November. Year 11/12 pathway interviews will be held from 22nd November-26th November. The final day for Year 7-10 classes will be the 10th of December. Year 7-9 Activities week will run from the 13th of December to 17th of December. Information regarding this will be distributed to students shortly.

Awards Evening: This years 9-12 Awards evening will be held on Tuesday 14th December in the School Hall at 8:00pm. The Year 5-8 Awards will be held at the Town Hall on Wednesday 15th December. To help celebrate the achievements of our students we will showcasing students’ Art works in the school hall for the school community to view from the 6th of December to the 17th of December.

And remember: “Do not follow where the path may lead”. “Go instead where there is no path and leave a trail”.

Harold R. McAlindon

SEAN FITZPATRICK – ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL

This week has seen we have been busy with rain and races but have still managed to fit in some fabulous learning opportunities. Our grade six students have been busy presenting talks about their space research and I must say have really become highly knowledgeable on their selected topic. Our year ones have likewise learned some amazing facts about various animals of the world.

We continue to have a number of students who are regularly out of uniform. This may be due to the extremely large number of jumpers etc that are currently located in lost property. Please feel free to check out the collection outside the pink room for any items that belong to your child. It is also worth mentioning that the stadium likewise has a rather large collection of unclaimed uniform items. Once again clear labelling is essential to the “finding” process.

I received a phone call this week from Marilyn Leermakers, who is the manager of World Vision’s “Kid’s Hope” project. She is very positive about how the program can be used to support our children here in Timboon next year. With the new Library now waiting a “certificate of occupancy” the date for our information session is still yet to be announced but please keep an eye out for details in a future newsletter.

My personal thanks must go to all who have congratulated me on officially receiving news that I will continue in the role of P-6 Assistant Principal. I look forward to continuing to work with all our wonderful students, staff and of course their supportive parents both now and in the future.

ANDREA TAYLOR, ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL

9-12 SUBSCHOOL REPORT

An Introduction to Year 9 / 10 students/. An information session will be held on Tuesday November 16th, 11:25 am (session 3) in the 5 – 8 building. The aim of this session is to introduce year 8 students and parents to the Year 9 / 10 curriculum structure. In 2011, English, Mathematics, Science and History will be offered in ‘core’ blocks, in line with the National Curriculum, as well as 4 elective blocks. Parents of year 9 students are welcome to attend this session. The information insert in this newsletter explains the National Curriculum implementation in more detail.

Year 9 parents/students are reminded that unit counselling will take place on 12th November, with Year 8 – 9 counselling on 25th November. Parents are welcome to attend, please make appointments at the General Office.

As part of the process of selecting School Captains for 2011, the students who were nominated had a brief interview with school leaders – Principal Class, Subschool Leader, School Council President. During this interview, the students spoke of their involvement with school activities, and shared their idea of the role of a School Captain as well as some of their thoughts for 2011. This was a really positive process as the students’ spoke of the great school we have as well as some constructive ideas for continuing to improve the school. Regardless of who is elected as School Captains, our Subschool has some wonderful role models for our younger students. Congratulations to all students who were willing to ‘stand up and be counted’.

We are a talented bunch. Congratulations to those year 9 / 10 textiles students who entered soft toys into the Warrnambool Show – a second prize and two commendations - well done.

As part of their study of history some year 9/10 students travelled to Sovereign Hill Ballarat and stayed on for the Warrnambool Show - A long day for staff and students, but a great learning experience, bringing our past to life. A gentle reminder about Netbooks, although they may not be used in every class, every session, they are an important learning tool, so need to be brought to class, charged. They should not be left in lockers overnight / over the weekend. When leaving Netbooks in lockers over recess and lunch, students should also ensure that their lockers are securely padlocked.

JULIE NICHOLSON, 9-12 SUBSCHOOL LEADER
5-8 SUB-SCHOOL REPORT

- The Melbourne Cup has provided mathematics classes with the perfect opportunity through the ‘Chance and Data’ strand to investigate the pitfalls of gambling. The difference for growing mathematicians between a game being ‘fair’ and the mathematical definition of ‘fair’ and the older students looking into odds and variables provided a great view of the development of students’ thinking. Year seven students looked at the odds of winning a sweep and ‘probability’ while year eight have taken the opportunity to put the math situation into ‘real’ life. They are having a ‘race meet’ on Friday with ‘bookies’, money (monopoly), fashions on the field, food and ‘champagne’ (carbonated apple drink), reporters and judges. Through the data the students will gain a real look at the perils of gambling. The year sevens will move from their ‘chance’ investigations to working with fractions and decimals taking the opportunity to use some more ICT opportunities from the e-box trial. Could parents please ensure students are seen doing their mathematics homework so they can hand it in.

- Year six students trialled their ‘prototype’ space capsule making necessary changes before they test it out with the raw egg astronaut this Friday.

- It was a case of ‘little Italy’ in the Home Economics room with year eight chefs producing their own homemade pasta. It was so much fun and so successful a certain teacher purchased her own pasta machine and made some with her family.

- The SRC are looking in to refine the ‘mobile phone’ policy to make it work for both students and teachers. Please be aware that the latest IPods also work like phones in their ability to message. Our local policeman is making arrangements to speak with some year levels.

- Many students’ issues can 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 those who can best assist in the matter.

JULIE BROOCHALL, 5-8 SUBSCHOOL LEADER

P-4 SUB-SCHOOL REPORT

The Prep children have been focussing on the rolling motion of toys this week. They have been bringing in their favourite rolling toys to show and share. We hosted our Kinder friends today. They will be visiting today and tomorrow to see, hear and feel all about School next year.

The Grades 1 and 2 are looking at animals from around the world which are found in our zoo. The students have focused on American animals like the grizzly bear, the buffalo and the bald eagle (the American symbol). They have looked at the animals’ environments, behaviour, diet and body structure. Discussions have been based on what makes these animals unique to America and they have compared them with animals found in Australia.

To conclude the themes for this year, Grades 1 and 2 are going on an excursion to the Cudgee Wildlife Park, the Art Gallery, Safeway and Lake Pertobe. Notes went out yesterday and need to be returned prior to the 25th November.

In Maths, Grade ones are revising money. Grade twos are looking at multiplication and division strategies like using arrays and grouping. We would like to welcome a new student, Thomas Chaplin, to 2K.

Grade 3 children are really getting excited about Camp Kangaroobie next week. There have been lots of discussions about “what to do if...” and “how are we going to...” as well as what to pack and/or not to pack. Now is the time to bring to our attention any worries you or your child is having. We are aware it may be their first camp and lots of the time a big worry can become small by talking about it with someone who’s been there already.

Parents should be on the lookout for last minute notes giving important details. Please remember: your child needs a cotton t-shirt or pillow case to paint as a souvenir and a set of mud-friendly clothes which won’t be needed for any other activity (it will not be possible to wear that jumper/t-shirt/ trousers the next day).

The Grade 4 children are almost over their Camp. They have been spending time talking/writing about the activities and what they learned in Melbourne. They are beginning a new science theme of “Erosion and Weathering”.

PAM HAWKINS, P-4 SUB-SCHOOL LEADER

National Curriculum

The Australian Curriculum

In 2008 all Australian governments (State and Federal) agreed to the development of a national curriculum that would deliver quality education in a curriculum from K – 12. It is widely accepted that Australia should have one curriculum for school students, rather than the eight different arrangements that currently exist. The benefits of a national curriculum are seen as

- Greater consistency for the country’s increasing mobile population
- The development of high quality resources
- The development in students of the skills and knowledge to compete in an increasing globalised world
- Individual and combined efforts on improving student learning.

Phase one of the National Curriculum includes the subjects English, Mathematics, Science and History (K-10). In 2010 a draft curriculum and an extensive consultation process took place. This included television advertisements where parents and interested bodies could go online and comment on the draft proposals. The next draft of the curriculum is now available. This draft curriculum outlines what young people should be taught at each year level and the quality of learning that is expected. The Australian Curriculum is not inconsistent with the Victorian Essential Learning Curriculum.

In 2009, Timboon P-12 School started looking at the organisation of the year 9 and 10 elective system and how the National Curriculum would impact on the delivery. In 2010, further work was carried out and a revamped year 9 and 10 curriculum structure was approved. The objective remains to deliver high quality education, acknowledge curriculum portability and importantly provide students with choices in the areas they, through long tradition, have come to expect.

In 2011, Timboon P-12 School will begin the structural reorganisation of the 9-10 curriculums to bring consistency with the new Australian Curriculum. What this will mean for students is that in the compulsory subjects of English, Maths, Science and History the students will be grouped in their year level classes. The curriculum delivered will be developed with the knowledge of the content and skills expected in the Australian Curriculum pertaining to the relevant year level and the reporting requirements of the Victorian Essential Learning standards. English and
Mathematics will run for 5 sessions a week, 2 semesters. Science and History will be delivered for 5 sessions per week alternate semesters. In the elective blocks an additional science unit is available for students seeking extension.

As in the past, students will still be able to choose from their favourite electives. There has been no reduction in elective units from 2010. However, the blocks students have choices in have been reduced to 4. Over a 2 year cycle this still gives students 16 elective units. To assist students in their selections, the rationale for the changes, recommendations on the number of units to take over the cycle to cover breadth and allow choices a new handbook has been developed. This handbook, as with previous handbooks will be updated annually as changes come into place.

When planning began for the National Curriculum, all schools in Australia were expected to have implemented the changes in 2011. The timeline has been extended until 2013. The structural changes and curriculum development that we are putting in place now will place us on the front foot for the compulsory implementation of the Australian Curriculum.

More information about the curriculum can be found at: http://www.australiancurriculum.edu.au/Home

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EMAJUNIOR BASKETBALL 10 & U
The 10 & U program starts tomorrow the 5th Nov. The following are the teams and 1st round games and times:

**Team 1: Kit Kats**
- P Bartlett, L Rosolin, T Bartlett, J Delaney, M De Ros, P De Ros, Z Wilkinson

**Team 2: Mars Bars**
- N Bentley, D Oxnam, H Stansfield, E Haugh, P Bell, Z Neal

**Team 3: Cherry Ripes**
- M Bond, A Hose, M Delaney, K Delaney, S McKay, M McKay, E Duynhoven

**Team 4: Zappos**
- J Bone, A Rial, A Coverdale, J Coverdale, S Lenehan, S Lenehan

1st Round:  
- Fri 5th Nov 3.50: 3v4
- 4.20: 1v2

Draws and further information will be available at the Centre on the first night.

**JUNIOR BASKETBALL U/12 COACHING SESSION**
Next week the 8th of Nov we are having a coaching session for all players. The following times for each team are as follows:

- 4.00 pm: Teams 2, 4, & 6
- 5.00 pm: Teams 1, 3 & 5

All players need to be ready to go 5 mins before the scheduled time. This will be a valuable coaching session and all players are asked to be in attendance and prepared to train for 1 hour.

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**2011 SCHOOL UNIFORM REMINDER**
Orders and deposits for the school sports top and sports shorts for students entering Year 7 in 2011 need to be returned to Divas & Dudes by Friday, 12 November. A variety of sizes are available at Divas & Dudes for students to try to determine their correct size.

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**FOR SALE**
Wolf hound x staghound pups – parents excellent hunters  
$100 each  
PHONE: Brad 5595 9325

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**VCE Text books and texts**
- Cosi - $15  
- English Insight $20  
- Witness DVD $10  
- Further Maths $20  
PHONE: 5598 3233

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Fish tanks: all shapes and sizes. Some are complete with pumps, heaters, gravel and fish. Prices start from $85
Baby Netherland Swarf Rabbits @ $25 each
Honda CT-90 in good condition, needs a little work, new battery. Seat as new condition $950
Bantam eggs $1.50 per doz
Aquarium snails (free)

URGENTLY WANTED: 3 to 4 bedroom house.
5 to 10 mins from Timboon or in Timboon please. Have pets and fish tanks.
PHONE: 0428 233 242

Biology Year 12 Text book $55
PHONE: 0429 054 161

Year 12 Insigh English text book $20
Witness DVD (for yr 112 English) brand new $20
Cost = English Text $15
Unit 3 & 4 Health & Human Development $45
PHONE: 0448 011 529

Urgent home required for 3 x blue heeler x kelpie. 2 x male and 1 x female. 5 weeks old eating, drinking – needs extra loving care as mother was hit by a car
PHONE: 0421 159 851

WANTED TO BUY
Incubator
Needed urgently – female guinea fowl
PHONE: 0428 128 702

TIMBOON P-12 SCHOOL

Family Portrait Fundraising Day
Sunday November 14th

Sessions available from 9am
Only $12 for a 10 x 13" portrait with a frame
Last day to book your session is Friday Nov 5th
Extra forms available from the office

VISION PORTRAITS

CANTEEN VOLUNTEERS
CHRISTMAS DINNER

Caf volunteers are invited to celebrate Christmas at ‘12 Rocks’ on Friday 26th November at 6:30pm

RSVP to Cheryl and Barb by Friday 12th November please

Vision Portraits

TIMBOON JUNIOR BASKETBALL

10 & U Competition

Starts: Fri 5th Nov to Fri 10th Dec

6 week series of games for children aged between 7 and 10
Coaching and teaching of the rules of the game will be included in the program.
Registration Cost: $10.00
Nightly court hire: $8.00

To register please ring the Centre on 55983445 by 29th Oct

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

$2.20 ENCLOSED

Timboon Garden Club
Meeting Monday 8th October
7pm
Meet at main school Gate near the complex
Everyone most welcome to walk around the school garden
Hello Everyone,
Hope you are enjoying some sunshine in between the rain!

Our last Farmers Market for 2010 is on Sunday the 14th November, so come along and be a part of our biggest market yet.....

The theme for this market is 'Hampers' - empty hamper style baskets will be available for sale at the market. Purchase a basket fill your hamper with all sorts of stallholder goodies and then have your hamper gift wrapped for free.

Lots of produce stallholders will be attending. Many of our familiar stallholders will return for our final market including Apostle Whey Cheese, Allfresh fish and Jenny's Cupcakes. Our Craft market is also growing in size and stature with oodles of new and different stallholders attending our November market.

Don't forget the free Air castle, Skate Park and playground for the kids.

Look forward to seeing you there....
Best wishes,
Kylie Treble
55943487

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