PRINCIPAL’S REPORT

• On September 20th (5:30-8:30p.m.) and 21st (10:00a.m.-1:00 p.m.) the Parent-Teacher interview sessions for students in years 7-12 will be held in the 5-8 building. We run an evening session and day session to cater for the work demands of parents. This is the last of the face to face interview sessions for 2012. Interim reports will be mailed to parents on Monday.

• Marc Graesser and a small team of staff and parents have been making regular Friday night trips to undertake indoor rock climbing in Geelong. This activity has been organised by Marc to give students the opportunity to test their skills, work as a team and gain confidence through an activity that requires a great deal of self-belief. I would like to thank Marc and his team for finding another way to add value to the curriculum we offer here at Timboon P-12 School and for giving up his very precious Friday nights.

• Our new web page is about to go live. Some of the old information will be updated over the next few weeks to bring everything up to date. We apologise for any inconvenience caused during this transition phase.

If you have any concerns or issues that you wish to discuss with me please feel free to give me a call at school (55983381) or on my mobile (0407345324)
Email: timboon.p12@edumail.vic.gov.au

ROSALIE MOORFIELD
PRINCIPAL

Congratulations to: To Emily Finch (A Reserve Netball grand finalist), Alicia Blain (Hampden Netball Best and Fairest winner)

Calendar:
September
14th 5-6 Table Tennis
14th VCAL Warr. Community Garden
14th Warrnambool Equestrian
14th Rock Climbing Geelong
17th 7-12 Interim Reports sent home
20-21st 7-12 Parent Teacher Interviews.
21st Last Day for P-6 2:30 Finish
October
8th 1st Day of Term 4

ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL REPORTS

Helping kids to choose wisely

Timboon P-12 is a School. Visit www.kidsmatter.edu.au. Children often focus on immediate wants and don’t consider long term consequences. They need adult guidance to develop their decision making skills. Parents and carers can prompt good decision making by identifying appropriate choices for children to make and using questions to help them think through the steps. To learn to use decision making skills children need to be shown how to use the steps and be given opportunities to practice them. Practice and experience are necessary for building skills. It is important to remember that children’s thinking skills develop gradually and so does their capacity for making decisions. Children do not learn to make good decisions overnight. They need to start with simple things.

Interim Reports/Parent Teacher Interviews: All 7-12 interim reports will be posted home to parents and students. Can I encourage all families to make the time to sit with your child and read through their report together. Each individual subject report will specify your child’s:

• Subject achievements
• Areas that require improvement
• Current subject Progress
To assist with feedback, **Year 7-12 Parent Teacher Interviews** will be conducted next week and all parents and students are expected to attend:  
**When:** Thursday 20th September 5:30pm-8:30pm, Friday 21st September 10:00am-1:00pm  
**Where:** 5-8 Building

And remember: if you don’t get feedback from your performers and your audience, you’re going to be working in a vacuum.  
Peter Davies

**SEAN FITZPATRICK**  
**ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL**

Next week parents with students in grades 3 and 5 will have received a copy of their child’s NAPLAN results. These tests were carried out in May this year and are a snap shot of how your child performed on one particular day in one particular area. Each year we use these results alongside many other sources of data collected by your child’s teacher to develop individual learning goals and report progress to parents. If you have any questions regarding the NAPLAN results you can visit the website given on the results information page or you can make an appointment to discuss them with your child’s teacher.

As I said last week, we are now beginning the planning stages for class structures and child placements for the next year. While teachers take the utmost care when considering the placement of every child, using their understanding and experience we do offer parents the opportunity to share with us any extra considerations that you as parents are aware of that may impact on your child’s learning. For example, there may be neighbourhood issues that can cause distractions for children’s learning or there may be friendship concerns that you would like to alert us to. If this is the case then you are able to notify me about these issues and we will bring them into consideration when planning our grades for 2013. Likewise, if you know that your family will not be attending Timboon P-12 School in 2013 we would greatly appreciate having this information as it will assist in our class planning process. Please contact me directly with your information either by phone or come in to see me before September 21st. Once this time passes our ability to consider your information is seriously impacted so please make sure you contact me in this time.

We have had a few cases of chicken pox reported to us in the last few weeks. While chicken pox is not necessarily a notifiable disease, we do appreciate you letting the school know about it so that we can make contact with families who have medical issues that may be impacted by such things. Finally thank you to all families who have made the effort with having students in correct full uniform. We now just have a few who are consistently not wearing correct jumpers who we continue to encourage to. Please work with us in this matter.

**ANDREA TAYLOR**  
**ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL**

**9-12 SUB SCHOOL REPORT**

With the term almost over, student should be ensuring that they have work completed and up to date and handed to teachers. Parent teacher Interview will be held on Thursday 19th and Friday 20th of September. (last days of term).

Year 12 students have a lot of work to complete in their final weeks of schooling. Students so should be prioritising their time at school and at home for study, making the most of the time with teachers before exams. A reminder to Year 12 students that Information for Leavers Manual should be brought to the office ASAP.

Year 11 and year 10 students have now made VCE/VCAL subject selections for 2013. Counselling for year 10 was yesterday and thanks to Mr Fitzpatrick, Mrs Deppeler and Mr Graesser, things went very smoothly. Work Experience was a valuable experience for our year 10 as some now have a clearer picture of the pathway required to their desired career.

Year 9 students will have an information session on Monday 17th during Home Group (11.20-1.00pm) to give them information on VET options and VCE jump-ups in 2013. Students will choose subjects early next term for next year

**GABBY THEOLOGOUS**  
**9-12 SUBSCHOOL LEADER**

**5-8 SUB SCHOOL REPORT**

- Congratulations to the Year 5 & 6 students competing in the table tennis competition tomorrow. These students have spent many Friday afternoon sport sessions developing their skills.

- Year 7 & 8 students have selected their term four electives and will receive their new timetable early next week. Some of the new offerings are: Bands, Photography, Claymation, business studies and non-explosive myth busters. The very popular partnerships programs will remain as they are for term four.

- A huge thankyou to TRU Energy for once again supporting our Healthy Lifestyles Program with donation of two amazing bikes! During the program the students learnt about making small changes to live a healthier life. They were able to earn tokens and two lucky students were pulled out of the box at the conclusion of the program. The bikes were presented to Angus Orr and Chloe McKenzie by Mr Jesse Vogels.

**KYLIE ORR**  
**5-8 SUB-SCHOOL LEADER**
**Prep**

This week the Prep students have been working with Odds and Evens, as well as Subtraction during Numeracy sessions. Most children are becoming very quick at recalling their number facts and are benefitting from regular practice through using Live Mathletics on the Mathletics program.

During their reading sessions, the children are focusing on reading with fluency. In class, the children are calling this ‘smooth reading’. The students are being encouraged to use their ‘talking voice’ when reading, in order to gain fluency. Please continue to encourage your child to read a variety of texts at home to practice their reading skills.

A big thank you goes to all of our parents who have assisted at our Prep Water Familiarisation sessions at Aquazone, over the past two weeks. The students all had a fantastic time during the program.

**Years 1 and 2**

This week, our Year 1 and 2 students are looking at ‘Exploring Space as an Astronaut’. Students completed a science experiment where they made a ‘Rocket Balloon’ and looked at the forces of air. Just like in rockets, jet engines and spaceships, they are all driven forward by the same law; every action has an equal and opposite reaction. Students have also constructed 3D spaceships and moving astronauts.

During this term students have had the opportunity to enhance their knowledge by using ICT (Interactive White Boards, computers and ipads). Some of the resources that they have been using include:

**Websites:**
- http://spaceplace.nasa.gov

**Youtube:**
- The landing on the moon, Family of the Sun, The Solar System Song

**Programs:** Encarta

**Apple apps (for ipads):** Star Walk, NASA Viz, TourWrist

**Years 3 and 4**

During the past few weeks, our Year 3 and 4 students have been continuing their studies about Australia. We have been learning about each of our States and Territories, as well as our capital cities. The students have been working on mapping activities, involving them in locating various places around the country. We have also been learning about the emblems (floral and faunal) and flags of each state and territory.

In Numeracy this week, our Year 3 students have been learning about fractions. This has involved them in investigating equivalent fractions and finding fractions from a group of objects eg. One fifth of a class of 20 students. The Year 4 students have been investigating area this week. This has involved them in measuring the area of a variety of shapes and objects, using different techniques.

Just a reminder that camp permission forms and money for the Grade 4 Melbourne Camp are due to be returned to school by next Wednesday, 19th September. This will enable us to finalise our numbers and assist with the next stage of our camp planning.

**MATT HAUGH**

**P-4 SUB-SCHOOL LEADER**

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**Men’s Shed work with our Grade 5 students repairing bikes**

As part of our community partnership with our local Men’s Shed, members Terry O’Connor, Ron Winkler and Tom Hose have been working with some of our Grade 5 students repairing bikes. The skills the students have been gaining include team work, oiling chains, changing tyres and tubes, and tightening brake pads and seat poles. They have also been learning how to maintain the bikes for the future. With our Grade 5 bike education program coming up soon this has been a timely exercise!

A big thank you to Terry O’Connor and the Men’s Shed for their support.

Below, grade 5 students Jack, John and Sam work together ensuring our bikes receive quality maintenance.

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**Thank you TSPA for our Primary PE equipment.**

This year we were fortunate to receive a $500 contribution from TSPA for a variety of needed PE equipment.

This contribution purchased 2 tennis racquets, 5 netballs, numbered witches hats (1-10. These will be used to identify swimming lanes during our swimming sports), field marker set of 40 cones, 8 soft lacrosse sticks, house swimming caps, 12 dive rings (to be used in our swimming program), 18 dive disks (to be used in our swimming program), 1 set of netball bibs, 1 open reel fibreglass 30m tape to be used for PE and during our sports carnivals.

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Written by Kane Horwill

Above, three of our House captains, Campbell, Lilly, and Hollie bathe in our new selection of sporting equipment.

Kane Horwill
YEAR 9 HEALTH AND WELLBEING WEEK
Two weeks ago Year 9 students participated in a series of activities based around physical and mental health. The students wish to thank the many people involved in the week. The students identified the highlights being Arthur Bolkus and the cooking sessions where boys cooked lunch for the girls and the girls cooked lunch for the boys. We would also like to thank the Healthcare centre, Aspire, Brophy, Ashley Elmore, Tracy Heaps, Nicki Bettes, Jo Moncrieff and the many teachers that took sessions.

Dean Whitehead
Year 9 Coordinator

We would like to extend a HUGE thank you to Katie Millard for her assistance in driving our basketball teams over to Terang for the recent Hoop Time series. She did this four Fridays in a row in the self-drive mini bus and her contribution to our school sports program is much appreciated.

From the Hoop Time students, Ms Hill, Mr Venn and Ms Mac.

On Monday the 10th of September we had Amy from Jump Rope for Heart visit the school. She talked about the Heart Foundation, the need to raise funds for research and how to keep your heart healthy. She showed us a few skipping tricks and also got some students to demonstrate some of their skills. Many of the children are practising every day in the playground and many are also doing a great job with their fundraising (you can keep fundraising until the start of next term if you like). So keep up the good work – class Jump Offs are in PE next week and the whole school Jump Off will be at lunchtime on Thursday September 20th (picture: Shelby Gristede shows us her style).

Cultural Performance
16th October
If you haven’t paid the cultural levy please forward $5 to the office by the 12th October.

Mr Horwill’s Tech spot Edition #46:
You can find digital copies of our newsletters on our school website www.timboonp12.vic.edu.au

The new whiteboards are here! We have three new SMART Board interactive whiteboards installed last week. They can be found in Mr Venn’s (4V), Mr Horwill’s (5B) and Mrs Poustie’s (Prep P) rooms.

Our SMART Board interactive whiteboards will continue to help improve learning outcomes. Combining the simplicity of a whiteboard with the power of a computer, the SMART Board interactive whiteboard lets you deliver dynamic lessons, write notes in digital ink and save your work – all with the simple touch of a finger.

Congratulations to the students who have completed their 40 hr famine and handed in their books. This week your books and money will need to be returned. Please continue collecting your donations so that you will have it ready to hand in at the end of the week.

Thank you
Melissa McKenzie
Year 5 Co-ordinator
Timboon P-12 School/ SRC Coordinator
Phone: 55983381
EMA is Available for collection at the School Office

SECOND-HAND UNIFORM SALE
The next second-hand uniform sale will be held on 14th September, 2012 (1:00pm-1:50pm in the SEU building)
For enquiries please call Katrina, 5598 3443.

TSPA PARENTS SAY
Love to hear from you!
Name: ____________________________________________
Phone: ____________________________________________

TSPA MINI MINUTES
NEW EVENT:
CALLED BUSH DANCE.
(NON ALCOHOLIC COMMUNITY FAMILY NIGHT)
DATE: Saturday, 20TH OCTOBER, 2012
TIME: 8PM TILL 10.30PM WITH SUPPER
PLACE: TIMBOOON P12 SCHOOL HALL
BYO: PLATE SUPPER TO SHARE
MUSIC AND INSTRUCTIONS BY: KEN HOOK AND PARTNER.
ENTRY PRICE: $20 PER FAMILY (TICKETS ARE AVAILABLE TO PURCHASE FROM SCHOOL OFFICE PRIOR TO NIGHT)
HOT AND COLD DRINKS ARE AVAILABLE FOR PURCHASE ON THE NIGHT.
RAFFLE TICKETS ARE AVAILABLE FOR PURCHASE ON THE NIGHT AND IT WILL ALSO BE DRAWN AT THIS EVENT. THE RAFFLE WILL BE THREE FRAMED ART WORKS DONATED TO SCHOOL FOR FUNDRAISING. The raffle tickets will be distributed in this next week to the students, to sell over the holidays, and we ask that the tickets and money be returned in the first week of term three, so that these tickets will be taken to the dance ready for the big draw.

At our meeting last Monday night, Robyn Vale presented a short account of the Timboon Agricultural project, which was a great insight into the purpose of the program, development stages, and progress so far. A copy of her notes which were distributed at the meeting can be obtained from TSPA. We at TSPA are very supportive of this project and can see the enormous potential for the school, and the wider community. Robyn has agreed to keep us in the loop with the developments of this program on an as needs basis. We are also looking to have a stall at the farmers market, as a fundraiser where the community can come to us to support our efforts. The next one we should be able to attend is on October 14th, so if anyone has any ideas of what we can offer for sale, then please let us know.

If you would like to have a copy of the minutes of the meetings, either by newsletter or email, then please let me know, thanks. Our Next Meeting is on Monday, 8th October, at 7.30 p.m. at the admin building at school, All welcome.
Anne Rosolin (secretary) rosolin@activ8.net.au

SECOND-CHANGE DEB BALL
Friday 14th September at 7:30pm
At Timboon & District Hall
Tickets are $20 Adult $5 Child
BYO Nibbles and Drinks
Light Supper Provided
Fundraiser for Team KristyGem
Relay for Life
More Information:- Cheryl Miller 5594 6322

FOR SALE
1993 Toyota Wagon, auto, power steering, No reg/no roadworthy – as is. $600
4 ft Fish tank with everything $200
3ft tank with everything $100
Automatic LG 5 kg washing machine $100
Water tank square cubed in crate $250
PHONE: 0487 597 198

Nissan Vanette Van, good paddock car $350 ono
Fridge Leonard 380 litre (good dairy shed fridge) $150 ono
PHONE: 5595 9264

FOR RENT IN TIMBOON
One bedroom fully furnished unit available. Excellent condition
PHONE: 5598 3864 or 0407 0440 889
Nirranda & District Netball Association

Twilight Season 2012 – 13

Now taking names for Net Set Go (5 – 10 yr olds) and minis.
Up to 4 names for a junior team and executive will put teams together.
Senior Teams
All grades are mixed and single entries welcome.
Teams and single entries to be in by 16th September.
Season starts 15th October, 2012.
Alison Walsh 0417 583 070

TOPS OPPORTUNITY SHOP PRESENTS

Late Night Shopping
Fill your green bag for $5 (clothes only)
Friday 5th October 4pm til late
Gold coin donation upon entry
Come along and score yourself a bargain!

Timboon Junior Basketball

NEW JUNIOR SEASON STARTING SOON
REGISTRATION NIGHTS

MONDAY: Under 12 Girls and Boys
Registration night: Mon 22nd Oct
4.00 – 5.00 pm
WEDNESDAY: Under 15 Girls and Boys
Registration night Wed 24th Oct
4.30 pm – 5.30 pm

All players wishing to be involved in the next Junior Basketball season must attend the registration session on the appropriate night. If you are unavailable for this time you need to pre-register by phoning the Centre on 55983445 or call in and put your name down.

NOTE: U/10 competition will start later in Term 4
JUNIOR SQUAD PROGRAM: (All age groups) Players interested in participating in this season’s squad program must register their name at the Centre by Friday 14th Sept.

You’re Invited

Gala Dinner in support of the 2012 Alternative to Schoolies Initiative Philippines
Saturday 6th October 2012
St Patricks Hall William St PORT FAIRY
7 pm - 10:30pm
Three Course Meal + Entertainment
$35 pp
Further information and booking Geraldine 0427 827 475
Proudly Supported by Local Lions and Rotary Clubs, Uniting Church and Local Businesses.

2012 RENEGADES HOLIDAY CLINIC

WHATS ON
• Cricket skill development activities (batting, bowling, fielding and wicket-keeping)
• T20 Skills practice
• MILO T20 Blast match

9-11 year olds 8:30am – 12:00
12-14 year old 12.30 -4:00pm
VENUE: Geelong Cricket Club (Kardinia Park)
COST: $55
More information Sandi Brown on 0418 722 723

Looking for junior cricketers - boys and girls
All welcome.
No equipment or experience required. Under 13 and under 16 teams.
Under 13 to train straight after school to 5pm on Tuesdays starting Sept 18th at the Timboon school oval. For info contact Travis Brown 0428 124 312.
Under 16 to train from 4:00pm to 6pm Thursdays starting September 20th at the Timboon Recreation Reserve. For info contact Wayne Drayton on 55 987 323.
We are also seeking new Senior cricketers with training on a Thursday night from 5:30 onwards starting September 20th. For info contact Trav Brown 0428 124 312.
Come along and give cricket in Timboon a go!