**PRINCIPAL’S REPORT**

- Thank-you to those parents who attended the School Council bullying presentation. It was a very informative night with guest speakers addressing many of the different issues associated with bullying. It was fantastic to see our BRICKS students give a student perspective on ways to deal with bullying. Some of the questions raised by parents have given a different insight into the bullying issue. I hope that this can be reflected in our school Bullying Policy which is currently under review. In each newsletter I will add a snippet from the presentation that Jane Langley gave. I hope it is helpful. Congratulations to School Council for being so proactive and responding in such a productive, positive way to an issue that concerns us all.

- On Friday I attended the launching of the Ultranet by the Education Minister, Bronwyn Pike. Our school was invited to attend as we are a Round 1 ‘Champion’ school in this DEECD initiative. The Ultranet is designed to connect students, parents and schools across the state of Victoria. Stage 1 will see teachers and students going online and being able to communicate across the state with other schools. The next stage will give parents direct access to the school, their child’s class and their child’s academic progress. I’m sure there will be hiccups along the way but it is a really exciting phase in Victoria’s education. If you are familiar with ‘Blogs’ and social networking sites like ‘Facebook’, you will really enjoy the Ultranet experience.

- I have had some response in regards to the clearing of the area along the front of the school. If you could spare a chainsaw or a ute (and the person to cut and drive) next Wednesday and Friday could you please contact me. The cleanup will begin.

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Bullying is when someone, or a group of people, who have more power at the time, deliberately upset or hurt another person on more than one occasion.  
Jane Langley Presentation

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

BRICKS students Ashley Bentley and Jayden Blain lead discussion at the “Bullying Information Evening organised by School Council.”
All students in Years 3, 7 and 9 completed the NAPLAN testing this week. This was an excellent opportunity to provide students with test/exam experience. Exams become a very important form of assessment as students move up into their senior schooling. Congratulations to all students involved. It was a very smooth process.

During the bullying information evening on Tuesday, we launched our new P-12 2 STEP POLICY. This policy will be active as of today. All students were briefed on this new policy during the 7-12 Assembly held today. This policy has been active in the P-6 campus for some time and has been very successful. This policy is designed to target problem areas such as Bullying and student Refusal to follow reasonable instructions. Attached at back of this newsletter is a copy of this policy. Please take the time to read through this policy and place it in a practical place so that you can refer to it. Our school Bullying policy is also currently under review and we would welcome input from parents.

Student Voice: This is the most important voice. As demonstrated this week. Our VCAL students assisted with the “Keys Please” program held on Monday evening and our BRICKS students assisted with the “Bullying information Evening”. Each week we meet with our six School Captains to listen to the student voice. Thank you to those students that helped out with these programs.

Good Luck to all the year 11 students completing work experience next week.

And remember: “Never be bullied into silence. Never allow yourself to be made a victim. Accept no one’s definition of your life, but define yourself”. Anon

SEAN FITZPATRICK – ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL

Thank-you to all the parents who braved the icy conditions and came out for our Bullying Information night on Tuesday.

My focus for the evening was how we strive to build a sense of community here at Timboon P-12 School.

Our teachers are charged with the important task of developing a sense of community that will enable members to feel safe and supported. We also expect all members to take ownership of their actions and the effects that their actions may have on other members of the community.

Our Covey program provides the frame work of a common language and set of values as do our “Student Code of Conduct” and bullying policies.

When things go wrong children must see the part that they have played and the choices that they could have made that would have changed the outcome and limited the damage done. Working with parents who support the policies of the school means that children see they will be held accountable and that a fair process will be followed for all.

Right across Prep to year 12 we run programs strategically to ensure that a message of resilience and bully disarming strategies are learned by our children in a variety of ways. Different support programs target specific needs and maturity levels to ensure that full benefit is gained from each program we undertake. Many of these programs are referred to in the weekly year level reports of our newsletter while others happen behind the scenes subtly to produce the required outcomes.

The effectiveness of any program we run here at school is only enhanced by the support and communication that you have with your child each day.

At the end of the day we are indeed blessed to work with your children. Incidents of high degree bullying are limited and generally resolved positively. BUT it is vital that we communicate.

We as teachers hold high expectations that our students will behave as positive members of our school community and we will do all that we can to assist them as they develop as future citizens.

We will be looking at uniforms next week. Can parents please ensure students are wearing correct uniform.

ANDREA TAYLOR, ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL

9-12 SUBSCHOOL REPORT

It’s never a slow news week at Timboon.

Our school representatives at the Regional Athletics in Geelong last week did an awesome job. We certainly have some fit and talented young people who can run and jump with the best of them.

On Monday evening, the Keys Please Program was held for our 16 – 17 year old students. It was great to have a large group of students and parents come along. The Pizzas, Soft Drinks, VW stress balls and other giveaways were great incentives and rewards for those who attended. However, the information and strategies presented to help keep our learner drivers safe and alive as they move on to independent driving was invaluable. Thanks go to the VCAL team (staff and students) for publicizing,
coordinating and organising the event. A great example of ‘applied learning’ opportunities. Tuesday night was the Parent information night on Bullying. The message was clear – bullying in any form is not acceptable behaviour and we all play a role in ensuring we have a safe, supportive environment – both in and out of school. Congratulations to the BRICK’s students for leading the parents through some exercises in resilience and sharing the P00CH problem solving approach Wednesday lunch time entertainment: bands in the Caf. A great opportunity for some of our music students to practice their performing for an audience and show case their talents – a great job guys. The audience was appreciative – not only because it kept them in out of the cold, but also it was just a good thing to do. Thank you. Next week will be a ‘quiet’ week in the 9 – 12 Subschool, with the year 11 students undertaking work experience. Some students have a local work placement, with 27 students venturing to Melbourne. Although many students have casual or part time work, Work experience is a fantastic opportunity for our students to have firsthand experience of ‘9 – 5’, five days a week work. Students can learn about different types of occupations, discovering a possible career or deciding that this job is not for them – still a positive experience Oh, and negotiating Melbourne’s public transport???? We’ll let you know about that. Good luck to them all.

JULIE NICHOLSON, 9-12 SUBSCHOOL LEADER

5 - 8 SUB-SCHOOL REPORT
All those who use the 5-8 building are being treated to another wonderful display of art work from Ms Orr’s students. The portraits show so much detail and such quality use of colour to highlight light and shadow that they appear ‘professional’ to the viewer. Year five students, as you would expect, are having a wonderful time at Angahook completing the many quality outdoor activities the facility provides- canoeing, archery, orienteering, hut building, hiking and outdoor cooking. Performing skits in groups to the entire hall as one of the evening activities has also provided wonderful time at Angahook completing the many quality displays in the corridors.

P-4 SUB-SCHOOL REPORT
Last week’s cultural performance of the Hunchback of Notre Dame has inspired quite a lot of fantastic writing. If you are visiting the School in the near future, it would be great to allow enough time to peruse the many terrific displays in the corridors.
In accordance with our Sun Smart policy, the children no longer require their School hats during recess and lunch breaks. Now would be a good opportunity to wash their hat, ready to bring back to School in September. With the cold, wet weather setting in teachers will be asking the children to remove their wet shoes indoors. Parents, please remember the children are welcome to bring slippers to wear in the classroom. Preps have been bringing a variety of seeds to add to a class collection. This week they have been focussing on parts of plants that we eat. Grades One and Two are studying various types of fruit this week. They have looked at what defines a fruit, why fruit is an important part of our diet and also different ways of processing and cooking fruit. In mathematics they are looking at time - including o’clock and half past for grade one, and also quarter to and quarter past for grade two. This is a difficult concept and it would be wonderful if parents could take the opportunity to reinforce these skills at home. The children in grade three have been working hard this week on Naplan testing. Well done for all their efforts in their first formal testing. Grades Three and Four have begun a new theme of “Forces in Motion”. They are learning about the forces of “push” and “pull” and discovering how we use these forces to work or operate simple appliances such as doors, pens, staplers etc.

PAM HAWKINS, P-4 SUB-SCHOOL LEADER

HOUSE CROSS COUNTRY RESULTS APRIL 30TH
Age Group Winners
Junior Girls – Halladale
Junior Boys - Narragoot
Intermediate Girls - Halladale
Intermediate Boys – Callaway
Senior Girls – Halladale
Individual winners
Junior Girls – Joanna Couch, 2nd Abby Linquist
Junior Boys - Richard Couch, 2nd Jack Rowe
Intermediate Girls – Fleur Barling, 2nd Stephanie Windridge
Intermediate Boys- Ashton Windridge, 2nd Jack Delaney
Senior Girls – Rachel Ayres, 2nd Anna Delaney
Senior Boys- No winner
Overall Results
Narragoot - 96
Callaway - 100
Halladale won with 147 points

JULIE BROOKHALL, 5-8 SUBSCHOOL LEADER
COWS CREATE CAREERS

Hello, our names are Betsy (313) and Molly (318). We arrived at Timboon P-12 School on Tuesday 4th May from Ricky and Randall Mair’s farm and will stay here until Tuesday 25th May. We were greeted by the S17 (Agriculture and Horticulture) class and Mr Allender. During our 3 week stay, 4 groups of students will care for us on a daily basis making our bottles of milk for morning and afternoon feeds and ensuring we have fresh water to drink and calf meal to nibble on. While we are being fed, our weights are measured with a weigh tape and we are observed for our health welfare checks which are all recorded in the Calf Record Book.

We would like to thank the Mair family for loaning us, the calves to the school, in providing us with straw for our warm beds, calf trough for our calf meal and extra provisions of calf meal and milk replacer powder.
We would also like to thank Nicholas and Simone Renyard who visited the school and spoke to the S17 class about the Cows Create Careers Program, how to recognise healthy calves, careers in the Dairy Industry and inspected our facilities before we arrived. Thank-you also goes to Robyn Vale who visited Mr Allender and delivered the Project Resource Kit and our provisions (calf meal, milk replacer, feeder bottles & weigh tape) to the school. Without the support and assistance from the people acknowledged the Cows Create Careers would not be made possible. P.S we love being patted so we will enjoy our stay at Timboon P-12 School.
FIONA ALLAN

SECOND-HAND UNIFORM SALE

The next second-hand uniform sale will be held at lunchtime on Friday 21st May, 2010 in the SEU building.
For enquiries please call Katrina 5598 3443

EMA cheques are now available and can be picked up from the school.

FOR SALE

Purebred female pug – Fawn/black mask
Micro-chipped and wormed $950
Guppies – males/ females $2.50 each
Comets – warm or cold water $3.00 each
2 x antique milk cans “no rust” all with lids $200 each
PHONE: 0428 233 242

Firewood
Split and Dry $55 per metre at the stump
PHONE: 0409 165 062 or 5566 2286

Firewood
Split / dry ready to burn. Free local delivery
PHONE: Chris 0400 087 847 $70 metre

Ragdoll and kittens FREE to good home
PHONE: 0409 022 586

CANTEEN ROSTER

CANTEEN ROSTER - TERM 2, 2010

WEEK 6 (17th – 21st May)
Mon 17th Simone Renyard Andrea Thompson
Tues 18th Katrina Currell Jacinta Loveday
Wed 19th Glenda Gardner Vol Required
Thurs 20th Lisa Jacob Steph Delaney
Fr 21st Marnie Van Es Jacqueline Giblett
(12:00 – 2:00pm – Volunteer Required)

WEEK 7 (24th – 28th May)
Mon 24th Leonie Wallace Kate Croft
Tues 25th Jodie Skilbeck Berndiena Boths-Ordendale
Wed 26th Janice Lindsay Stephanie Kavenagh
Thur 27th Lee Hibbert Julie Gass
Fri 28th Jenny De Jong Andrea Weel
(12:00 – 2:00pm – Volunteer Required)

New at Café
Natural Fruit Nuggets
Fruit snacks made from 66 % pear based juices and fruit.
- Gluten and Dairy Free
- 99% fat free
Natural colours and flavours and no preservatives.
Available in Strawberry, Orange or Blueberry
70c per nugget pouch
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

$2.20 ENCLOSED

TIMBOON HOCKEY CLUB

JUNIOR HOCKEY

SATURDAYS AT 11AM

ALL WELCOME, BBQ AFTER GAME

AT HOCKEY GROUND (Opp. Timboon Rec Reserve)

PHONE: 55983674 OR 55983684 FOR ENQUIRIES