PRINCIPAL’S REPORT

New Buildings for Timboon P-12 School

• Yesterday the Honourable Member for Polwarth Terry Mulder announced to all our staff and students that Timboon P-12 School will receive $5.2 million in funding to complete essential capital works.
• In 2014 the school will receive the money as part of the 2014-2015 State Budget. The money will be used to demolish and replace the lowest rated buildings listed on our Condition Assessment report.
• $730,000 will be directed by the school community to ensure the best return for students.
• This means that the school community will have greater autonomy in deciding the priority needs of the school.
• It is our aim to ensure that all students have access to quality teaching and learning spaces that are comfortable, climate controlled, sustainable and durable.
• This is an exciting time for the school and I must acknowledge the hard work of School Council, The Parent Lobby group, TSPA, the staff of Timboon P-12 School, Bryan Ward, Gary Langenhuizen and the various media outlets like the Cobden, Timboon Coastal Times, the Warrnambool Standard, the Colac Herald and ABC radio who have kept our building issues on the agenda and provided amazing support.
• Thank-you must also go to the various community groups; Timboon Liberal Party, Timboon Lions, Corangamite Shire and Timboon Action who have supported our cause.
• The rebuilding of our great school will not only make each day a lot more comfortable for our students and future generations, it will also make our beautiful, well serviced community a more attractive option for new families and people considering a ‘tree/sea change’. Exciting times lay ahead.
• The P-2 Fun sports will take place tomorrow (Friday 21st) on the top oval at 2:00. Parents and friends are most welcome to attend.
• On the 28th March we will be having a wear something purple day. This day is to support the Relay for Life, which will be held at Timboon. A donation is optional, but all money will be shared between our local Relay for Life Teams.

Congratulations to all the Year 3-12 students who participated in the Athletic sports this week. Thank-you to the huge number of parents who supported each day and to TSPA and the Year 12 students for their great catering.

Congratulations to Dean Whitehead and Matthew Haugh, whose leadership ensured that our Athletic and Swimming sports were successful.

Calendar:

March
20th
School Photos
21st
Reg. Tennis/Great W Swim
25th
Year 11 Party Prog Warrm.
25th
3-6 Dist. Aths. Camperdown
26th-27th
Yr 9 Camp Halls Gap
26th
Yr 11 Biology Queenscliff
28th
6-7 Transition Day
28th
Relay for Life Day

TIMBOON SCHOOL CAFETERIA AND A AND B BUILDING ARE PEANUT AND TREE NUT FREE ZONES

ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL REPORTS

CONGRATULATIONS TO NARRAGOORT & HALLADALE, OUR 2014 7-12 & P-6 ATHLETICS SPORTS CHAMPIONS!
Digital Diary to keep track of your children!
(See, complete & return the sheet attached to this newsletter)

Instructions to make new iTunes account for FREE downloads.

1. Go to Settings – iCloud - Delete account (This will only delete the account from the iPad).
2. Click on Get a Free Apple ID
3. Fill in Birthday and Name information
4. Choose either your current (@timboonp12.vic.edu.au) or get an iCloud address
5. Add password and security questions
6. You will be sent a confirmation email to verify the account
7. Once completed you will be able to download “FREE” apps to the ipad (You may be asked for more information including payment details – choose “NONE” unless you want to add a prepaid itunes voucher. The school strongly recommends NOT using a credit card).
8. Prepaid iTunes vouchers can be added later if needed, or you can log out of iTunes and back in as a different user to download paid apps. Just don’t forget to log out and back in with the new account.

 belang note: You can make a new iTunes account from the iTunes & App Store but it will force you to supply a payment method. The above method allows for an account with NO PAYMENT options required.

For further help please contact Terry (ICT Technician) at the school.

And remember: “Disciplining yourself to do what you know is right and important, although difficult, is the high road to pride, self-esteem, and personal satisfaction.” Anon

SEAN FITZPATRICK
ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL

Year 5 TAP –ducks
The successful incubation of ten of our own Pekin eggs (thankyou Hansel, Gretel and Georgina) and a further eight donated eggs (thankyou Maccas Farm) has resulted in nine beautiful ducklings. The students have enjoyed watching them hatch, eat, drink, sleep and learn to swim in, at first, a paint roller tray, and then a book tub. They are growing quickly and are being given temporary and ever changing names according to their unique habits.

Gretel and Georgina continue to lay two eggs a day. We greatly appreciate the sponsorship of Reid’s Stockfeed through Landmark. Students cater to the food, water and bedding needs of the three Pekin and five Cayuga ducks in the run in their monitor groups. Douglas and Daisy have gone to live with Cody and Madison. The VCAL students are currently upgrading the duck housing and pond area.

Year five Bike Education
The gentlemen from the Men’s Shed who have the last six bicycles to service. We hope to begin Bike Ed early next term.

Stephanie Alexander Kitchen Garden Program
The students have taken home a Leek onion seed head enclosed in a paper bag and are drying them ready for planting in April. Many students have taken home a basil seedling to nurture. Graphing growth has voluntarily been undertaken by some students.

Julie Broomhall year 5 Coordinator

Kids Matter

Keys to success!!
1. A strong, positive attitude- Approach your studies with confidence.

2. Developing strong study habits- Set out key times during your week and stick to it. Get the balance right between school, part time work, sport/exercise and your down time. Set out a realistic plan that you can work with.

3. Organisation and planning- Use your school paper/digital diary to record homework and other key events. Develop an assignment/SAC chart and stick to timelines.

4. Time management- Use your time effectively both in class and outside of class.

Year 7-12 parent teacher Interviews:
- Thursday 3rd April 5:30pm-8:30pm
- Friday 4th April 10:00am-1:00pm

CHANGES TO BUS NOTES

When we have a bus note from parents, these instructions will be followed, regardless of what the students tell us. If you want a permanent arrangement changed for a night, we need a note to confirm the new arrangement for that night.
SRC Fundraiser: Lab Rats Day

- Quote of the day: “I’m the only marine scientist here”
- What does a Herpetologist do? Which primary teacher is an expert on what a Herpetologist does?
- The coin line was 50 metres long.
- The Lions Club served up hundreds of sausages.
- It was a ‘race for science’ when the Primary School ran the athletics trials in session 2.
- Who was that strange green person in 3B and what was their link to science?
- Which 2 SRC reps were dedicated helpers, laying out and measuring the line of coins?
- Who was the inventor who brought along their own windmill invention?
- Thank-you to all those who laid out coins and especially the grade 4 girls who helped collect all the coins at the end.
- Thank-you to all the fantastic mad-scientists and scientifically dressed participants.
- $670.75 was raised for Coins for Kids...THANK-YOU

TERRY'S TECH TALK

Today’s topic is iPad care.

What a busy start to the year. So far there have been 63 new BYOD connections, with barely a day going by without a new device being connected (54 iPads and nine computers so far) as well as 17 more purchased by the school for the P-2 classrooms (P-2 do not have BYOD). We are seeing a massive increase in students having quick access to up-to-date resources on the internet as well as being able to complete projects at home for homework.

This constant use comes with some very small, easy to fix problems in caring for the iPad.

Carrying to and from school exposes the iPad to some obvious risks, yet we have seen very few damaged devices considering the amount that travel to and from school on a daily basis.

It is pleasing to see most students with a protective cover, which I know has saved many parents from repairing damaged iPads. It is still important to remind our students to be careful how the iPads are placed in bags and be mindful of where the bag is placed during sport, travelling on the bus etc.

Teachers do their best to remind students to be careful and remember the iPad is in the bag. No cover, no matter how good, will protect an iPad from being stepped on.

Another thing, I have noticed due to the large amount of use they are getting, is some very dirty screens (this can actually be pleasing as it shows they are getting lots of use). As the screen gets dirty, students will notice navigation is not as smooth and in some situations, may not be as clear. This is often not noticed as it happens gradually.

The best way I have found to clean the screen is a moist window wipe which can be purchased at most supermarkets for a small cost. Window wipes allow the screen to be wiped without getting the screen too wet, which could damage the device. As they are designed to clean glass, they don’t leave streaks or need to be dried off.

For times when your child has been sick or you feel it needs a “special” clean, you could use antibacterial wipes - also available from the supermarket. These will help reduce the spread of germs and give a more thorough clean, but may leave streaks (which could be cleaned off later with window wipes) and usually require drying off with some paper towel when complete. Just try not to get the screen too wet and definitely not allow the liquid to run. This can be safely done by an adult.

Thanks for taking the time to read this article.

Missed an article, find previous Tech Talks at: www.timboonp12.asn.au/tech

Go to: www.thinkuknow.org.au/kids
This button is like calling 000 or 112 emergency numbers on your phone. It is taken seriously and it is a criminal offence to abuse this button.
Volunteers needed for our Canteen

**CANTEEN ROSTER TERM 2, 2014**

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**WANTED**

Timboon Junior Squash players needed for competition. The competition is Thursday night after school.

PHONE: Katrina 5598 3443

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**YOUTH THEATRE GROUP 2014**

FREE For 12-25 yr olds starting Term 2, 23rd April

Every Wednesday 4.30 – 5.30pm

Upstairs @ Timboon District Healthcare Service

- Improvisation
- Script development & Writing skills
- Games
- no pressure, fun activities
- develop ways to build performance, self-confidence and expression, social skills, and team work!!

Contact Leanne, Youth Worker  5558 6000, by 16th April to register

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**LIBRARY NEWS**

**HOLIDAY DOUBLE**

**2 SHOWS AT TIMBOON LIBRARY THIS APRIL**

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**Friday 28th March**

**Purple Day for Relay for Life**

Special purple food will be available at the CAF on the day.

Purple toffee apples and other delights
SCHOOL HOLIDAY STORYTELLING PERFORMANCES

Splash Theatre Company presents storytelling performances of Henry Lawson’s comic story THE LOADED DOG during the April holidays.

The Loaded Dog is an explosive tale about three gold miners and their dog Tommy. When Tommy steals a stick of explosives and it ignites as he runs past the campfire, mayhem and chaos follow.

The Loaded Dog is one of Henry Lawson’s best known and most popular comic stories and has plenty of action and humour to engage and entertain young audiences. It is a uniquely Australian story which features characters and situations form Australia’s past that will inspire an interest in our cultural heritage and language.

Presented by Chris John, the performances are suited to ages 5 and over and are about 35 minutes in duration.

TIMBOON LIBRARY
MONDAY APRIL 7TH
1.30 pm

For more information contact:
Splash Theatre Company 0413 533 118
ejsplash@internode.on.net
Timboon Library 5598 3394

FOR SALE
Brand new, still in box, hexagonal Gazebo 2m x 2m x 2.5m high $200
6 month old Aussie red bull calf – bucket reared, lovely nature $500
Block and tackle, new, still in box, 3000 tonne capacity $200
4 draw metal filing cabinet with key $60
2fth fish tank $20
Text / Call 0498 185 089

PARENT CLUB NEWS

TSPA PARENTS SAY
Love to hear from you!
Name: ___________________________
Phone: ___________________________
Coming up (6.30-8.00pm): Physiotherapy and Occupational Therapy; IT; Pharmacy and Pharmaceutical Sciences; Arts; Design and Fine Art; Teaching, Sport and Outdoor Recreation.

Dates of other seminars and to register: www.monash.edu/seminars. Info: 1800 MONASH.

○ Keeper For a Day and Vet for a Day - Werribee Zoo and Healesville Sanctuary; Book: 9285 9406; April school holidays.

More ‘At Monash’ dates – Architecture (Caufield) Tues 29 April; Interior Architecture (Caulfield) Wed 30 April; Psychology (Clayton) Thurs 1 May; Medicine and Biomedical Science (Clayton) Tues 6 May; Law (Clayton) Wed 7 May. More dates and book: www.monash.edu/seminars.

Australian Catholic University (ACU) – ACU is a publicly funded university, open to all. It has campuses in Ballarat, Melbourne, Brisbane, Sydney and Canberra, with a new one in Adelaide. It has about 24,000 students and is recognised for its supportive and nurturing environment and close links with industry. This year, first preferences increased by 5.7% in Victoria, and 7.4% ACU wide. ACU offerings are set to expand further with the introduction of new courses and facilities (eg expecting a Bachelor of Biomedical Science and a Bachelor of Early Childhood Education (Birth-5) at Melbourne campus in 2015). The Melbourne campus is to have renovations, and a new building is to be constructed on a vacant block at the corner of Victoria Parade and Brunswick Street, Fitzroy.

Check out La Trobe University in the holidays – ‘Experience La Trobe’ takes place in April, June and July each year. The event is structured around discipline-based workshops. This is a great chance for future students to chat to La Trobe staff, to be a university student for a day, and to pick up course information. The first event for 2014 is on Friday 11 April (Melbourne campus). For details, other campus dates, and to book see: www.latrobe.edu.au/experience.

Check out the University of Melbourne in the holidays - ‘A Day at Melbourne’ will be of interest to anyone considering studying there. It will provide an opportunity to explore the Parkville campus and find out about study options. Hear from current students, find out about entry requirements, course structures and other opportunities available. You can include a tour of the Southbank campus (Vicotorian College of the Arts) if you wish. When: 10am-3.30pm, Fri 11 April; Register: www.futurestudents.unimelb.edu.au/events, or call 13 MELB for information.

Victoria University (VU) News –

○ VU, with its main campus in Footscray, had an increase in the number of first preferences in the 2014 VCE first round offers. Some highlights were the B. Sport and Exercise Science which had a Clearly-At AR of 75. VU, with its committed partners Western Bulldogs, Melbourne Vixens and the Australian Institute of Sport, ensure that students are exposed to elite practices; Osteopathy, Biomedical Science and Paramedics had Clearly-At ARs between 75 and 80; Law had a Clearly-At AR of 80. VU is the only Australian Law School to offer Court Internships.

○ Scholarships for Excellence – The inaugural VU Chancellor’s Scholarships for Excellence were awarded to fifty-four students from schools across the state who qualified for the new scholarship with an ATAR over 90. These high achievers will receive leadership training, individual mentoring by corporate leaders and internship opportunities. These new scholarships complement the university’s existing Achievement and Access Scholarships. See: www.vu.edu.au/scholarships.

○ Event Management – VU’s Bachelor of Business (Event Management) graduates are highly sought after. The three year course helps students develop the skills to design, plan, create, implement, manage, and market events of all shapes and sizes. Extensive industry placements are an integral part of the program, giving valuable practical experience. The Tourism and Events industry is one of Australia’s largest employers with the demand for conference and event organisers expected to grow strongly. Enjoy a diverse career working with festivals, conferences, exhibitions, and community and sporting events.

University of Canberra at Holmesglen Institute – Did you know that it is possible to obtain a University of Canberra degree, studying through Holmesglen Institute? For example, this year Holmesglen is offering the University of Canberra’s Bachelor of Interior Architecture. The program will give students the skills to plan, design, detail and supervise the construction of industrial, retail and residential building interiors. See: http://www.canberra.edu.au/melbourne.

Consider Becoming a Teacher? All Australian education ministers have agreed to national standards and procedures for accrediting initial teacher education programs. The Accreditation of Initial Education Programs in Australia: Standards and Procedures are currently being implemented by the Victorian Institute of Teaching (VIT) through the accreditation of initial teacher education programs. Included in the policy are requirements that relate to the entry standards for students commencing initial teacher education courses. One of these requirements is that students are in the top 30% of the population for literacy and numeracy achievement. Tertiary institutions that offer initial teacher education programs may still admit students who do not meet this standard at their discretion, but they must ensure that students meet the benchmark by the time they graduate. Further info: www.aitsl.edu.au/ite.

So You Want to Become an Accountant? Accountants analyse financial dealings of organisations, and give advice about meeting legal requirements and the keeping of financial records. Some specialise in certain areas such as auditors, investment analysts, cost accountants and taxation agents. Accountants qualify by studying at university for a Bachelor of Business or a Bachelor of Commerce with a ‘major’ in accounting, or a Bachelor of Accounting. When selecting the degree you wish to study, it is important to check that it is possible to study for an accounting ‘major’ in that particular degree.

Some universities require Units 3 & 4 Maths Methods as a prerequisite (Melbourne and Monash - Clayton campus), Monash (Caulfield and Peninsula campuses) requires any Maths, while other universities (eg ACU, Deakin, Swinburne, La Trobe, RMIT & VU) have no maths requirement. With some further study, graduates can qualify for entry to the Institute of Chartered Accountants in Australia (ICAA) CPA Australia or the Institute of Public Accountants (IPA).

Some universities offer scholarships to study accounting. For example, Monash University offers the Bachelor of Accounting with a $16,000 scholarship, industry placements, and mentoring. Swinburne University offers the Bachelor of Business (Vice-Chancellor's Scholarship) where a major in accounting can be studied, and similarly in the Bachelor of Commerce (Vice-Chancellor's Scholars Program) at the University of Melbourne.

Some large accounting firms such as KPMG and Ernst & Young offer traineeships to those wishing to qualify as accountants. These involve studying part-time and working at the accounting firm part-time. Valuable experience is gained while studying. Applications and interviews for the traineeships occur later in the year.

Is it also possible to study accounting at TAFE? However, these qualifications will qualify you to work as a bookkeeper or payroll
clerk, for example, not as an accountant. TAFE qualifications can, of course, be upgraded to university qualifications, usually with credits for previous study undertaken. For more information see:
www.cpaaustralia.com.au
www.charteredaccountants.com.au/students;
www.publicaccountants.org.au

UNIVERSITY SCHOLARSHIPS – Many are available, and will be covered later. However, one requires an application by 21 March, so is highlighted now. The Tuckwell Scholarship was recently launched at the Australian National University (ANU), and selects 25 recipients each year, awarding them $20,900pa (rising with inflation) for up to five years of their degree at ANU for expenses like accommodation and living costs, with scholars living on campus. In addition to receiving a world-class education recipients will grow as individuals, emerging as independent global citizens with the capacity to change the world. ANU is looking for suitable applicants Australia-wide. See: tuckwell.anu.edu.au
Drew Deppeler 55983381

* Secret Boys Business*
You and your son are invited to this fun, fast moving workshop, which will explore both the physical & emotional changes that occur around the time of puberty. All sons & parents aged 10 – 12 years are encouraged to take part in this 3-hour workshop.
Friday 23rd May
Education Room
6.00 – 9.00pm
Cost: $10.00 per couple
Sandwiches & fruit platter provided.
To reserve your place please phone Timboon & District Healthcare 55586000

* Secret Girls Business*
You and your daughter are invited to this fun, fast moving workshop, which will explore both the physical & emotional changes that occur around the time of puberty. All mothers & daughters aged 10 – 12 years are encouraged to take part in this 3-hour workshop.
Friday 2nd May
Education Room
6.00 – 9.00pm
Cost: $10.00 per couple
Sandwiches & fruit platter provided.
To reserve your place please phone Timboon & District Healthcare 55586000

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**YOUTH WEEK AT TDHS…presents**

**THE MOVIES**

**THURSDAY 10**th** **APRIL 5pm – 10pm
Doors open 4.30pm (free event, no passouts)

**THE HUNGER GAMES, PG 13 +**
**FOLLOWED BY**
**CATCHING FIRE, PG 13 +**

Showing in Conference Room, upstairs @ TDHS, using the data projector, with surround sound…

HOT FOOD AND MILKSHAKES WILL BE PROVIDED DURING INTERMISSION
POP CORN DURING THE FILM

**STRICTLY NO DRUGS OR ALCOHOL THIS IS A SMOKE FREE VENUE THIS IS A SUPERVISED EVENT**

**YOUNG PEOPLE UNDER 18 NEED SIGNED PARENT/GUARDIAN CONSENT (forms available at the door)**
Contact Leanne – Youth Worker for enquiries or bookings. 5558 6000

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**Timboon Railtrailors and Lions**
**RELAY FOR LIFE**

**Devonshire Tea Day**

Sunday March 23**th** March 11am onwards

Come on out to the Mousetrap Café, in the beautiful gardens at L’Artisan Cheese Timboon.
5 minutes from town… Ford and Fells Rd, Timboon

Devonshire tea $8.00

Music by Luke Bouchier
Light meals, wine and cheese also available.
Daisy offers parents a convenient and powerful way to keep in touch with their child’s school environment and ongoing progress. It provides them with constant access to the most current information about your school, including important dates, upcoming events and key messages.

Daisy incorporates intuitive systems designed to save time for teachers, parents and administrators alike, by allowing parents to access both general and specific information whenever and wherever they need it; receive automatic notifications on important matters; or communicate directly with teachers about issues concerning their child.

**FEATURES OF DAISY DESIGNED FOR PARENTS INCLUDE:**

- The ability to view and monitor their children’s schedule or progress at any time. Parents have convenient access to their child’s personalised diary from a web browser, iPad or smart phone application.
- A secure, private messaging system allowing parents to communicate directly and instantly with their child’s teachers in a dedicated, controlled environment.
- A fast, effective group-messaging system which allows parents to receive universal or targeted updates on school events. Notifications can be sent to parents in real-time, across a number of communication platforms, to ensure they are always informed of anything which impacts their child.
- The option to receive automatic homework reports on their child, delivered periodically by email, helping them to keep track of their child’s performance and how well they are coping with their workload.

If you would like to have access to the Daisy e-planner Diary please provide your email details in the section below and return it to the School General Office:

**Parent Name/Email**

**Address:** _____________________________________________________

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