PRINCIPAL’S REPORT

- We didn’t come first in either of our two Education Excellence Awards categories, but we certainly feel that our TAP program is a real winner. Thank-you to all those families and businesses that support this program.
- The Education Excellence Awards is the Department’s launch of Education Week. Our first Education Week activity was the Choral Speaking at the Warrnambool Eisteddfod. Congratulations to Mrs Hawkins’ class who took out first place. We also took out second and third place. An excellent reward for a lot of hard work and thorough preparation.
- On Thursday we have 30 Careers Practitioners, mainly from inner city schools, visiting our school to learn about the TAP program. Exposing career advisors to the many and varied career options in agriculture is just one of the small ways we can support this vital industry.
- Thank-you to all those parents, grandparents and friends who came to the P-6 open morning. It was standing room only. I would also like to acknowledge the efforts of all those who attended the ‘Timboon on Display.’ What a fantastic opportunity to see and hear about all the various programs that operate across the school.
- Timboon on Display is our second Year 6-7 Transition activity for the year, with further activities taking place in term 4. If you have any concerns or issues that you wish to discuss with me please feel free to give me a call at school (5598 3381) or on (0407 345 324)

ROSALIE MOORFIELD
PRINCIPAL

Congratulations to our Year 3 and Year 4 students for their choral speaking at the Warrnambool Eisteddfod and Our Year 5 students for their poetry reading.

CALENDAR:

May
22nd Careers in Food & Fibre: Timboon Visit
23rd District Cross County 3-6
23rd 2nd Round of immunisation.
26th HSSSD Cross Country
28th Div. Cross Country Warrnambool
28 - 29th Warrnambool Eisteddfod Speeches
30th Careers Expo Yr 9 Warrnambool
30th Discos P-4 Lunch time
5-8 7:00-10:00
June 9th - 10th Queen’s Birthday/Report Writing Day
(Pupil Free Days)

ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL REPORTS

Our “Timboon On Display” Open Night was held at the school Hall last night. If you would like to book a tour of the school please contact me on 55983381

Overdue work alert: In the coming weeks your child may receive a letter requesting overdue school work. If you have any concerns regarding your child’s progress, please contact the school.

2nd Round Immunisations: Will be held tomorrow for all Year 7 students, Year 8 Boys and Year 10 (catch ups)

About friendship

Relationship skills are important to a child’s future success as an adult as well as their day-to-day life. We need to know how to make and maintain friendships, resolve conflict, make decisions and solve problems to get along in the world.

Children aren’t born with these skills. Like many skills, they are learned and improved with regular practice as children mature.

With positive and effective guidance from families, children can develop these life skills and experience good mental health and wellbeing.

Lots happening!
Year 9 student Ricky Bellis working on the Ag prescint fence (studying cert III in Agriculture)

Like a duck taking to water, the new duck pond constructed by the VCAL students

Year 12 student Dylan Smith showing the year 1/2 students their new worm farm, wow!

Pekin Bantam Rooster - Black & White - Very Handsome!
1 year olds- Needs his own space and hens
Contact Julia McMeel at the school

And remember:

SEAN FITZPATRICK
ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL

What a huge success Education Week was for our school. Thank you to the many families who made time to come and join us in the many activities offered over the week. The selection of experiences highlights for our community the breadth and depth of education experiences that are offered here at Timboon P-12 School. Our ‘Open Morning’ on Tuesday, took on a scientific focus in many of our classes. The use of re-cycled materials to develop a range of constructions and models involving the themes of ‘mini-beasts’, ‘solar systems’, ‘healthy choices’ and the ‘weather’ was quite astonishing. We sent students to The Warrnambool Eisteddfod for ‘Choral Speaking’ and ‘Poetry Reading,’ along with our ‘District Cross Country’ representatives, who will run in Noorat tomorrow; our grade one and two students ventured to ‘The Place of Wonder’ as part of their studies, and then, of course, our ‘Timboon on Display’ last night saw our year 6’s have the opportunity to see what is on offer in our High School. What a busy action packed week! But just a sample of what we do here each week.
We went for a swim at Aquazone with the classes that went. Jack, Tom and I hung around together. We went up to the deep end.

After that we went for a walk to the Lone Pine. Then we had a leaf fight. It was a massacre.

Lewis, 4A

“I am so excited,” I told Poppy. It was the 19th of May and I had just got off the bus. I was so excited; I just couldn’t wait until the Eisteddfod because this year I was feeling confident. Oh my god, my bus was taking us to Warrnambool. So I hopped on and scored the backseat!!! I was sitting next to Lara, Holly, Jay-Dee and Ronnie. On the way to Warrnambool I saw a horse.

Once we got to King’s College Hall we watched 4B, 3A and 3Bs’ performances. Now it was our turn. The poems we recited were called “Falling Asleep in Class” and “I Will Not Tease Rebecca Grimes”.

I was blinded from the lights for a split second. I felt really nervous. I tried to think of good things but I missed the title of our first poem – yikes! When it was my turn I said it really loudly so the adjudicators could hear me. When we had finished the adjudicators announced the winners. Wow, our class WON!! I felt proud.

Lucy, 4A

Yesterday all year 3s and 4s went to Warrnambool. We got on the bus, the year 3s took one bus and year 4s took another bus. As soon as we got to King’s College Hall we got in our line and went inside. After we watched other performers that were Timboon, then it was us. My heart was pounding, I was so scared. Once we walked on I was in the back row.

First, we did “Falling Asleep in Class”. Next we did “I Will Not Tease Rebecca Grimes”. My bit in Rebecca Grimes was “that’s three”. I was scared that I would muck up. After was the result. 3rd went to Mrs Poustie, 2nd went to Miss Krueger and 1st went to US!!! We won. I was so glad.

After we went to the Botanical Gardens and Aquazone. Then we went to School. My day was so fun.

Holly, 4A

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Kobi, 4A

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Later on all the classes went to the buses and went home – YAY! I was exhausted after that. Lauren, 4A

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ANDREA TAYLOR
ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL

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Well done, to all the students for a fantastic effort and to the parents and grandparents who came to support us.

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WORK EXPERIENCE

Last week Year 11 students were making the most of educational opportunities outside the classroom, as they participated in our Work Experience Program. Students were involved in a wide range of occupations: motor mechanics, carpenters, teaching, metals engineering, building / construction, police officer, animal care, hospitality, office administration, journalism, computer programming, curation, graphic design, photography, health care, aged care, and baker. To add to the depth and breadth of their experience, nineteen students stayed with three staff members at a Youth Hostel in Melbourne for the week. These students faced additional challenges of negotiating their way around Melbourne streets and public transport. All our students gained valuable experience and knowledge, as well as developed self-confidence. They demonstrated a range of key employability skills at a high level – with local and Melbourne employers impressed by their work ethic. The culmination of these placements is the result of a process of negotiations that started in October 2013. Year 10 students are starting to work on their placements for both 2014 and 2015 now.

JULIE NICHOLSON
DREW DEPPELER

Student photo ID cards are available for students in years 7 to 12 from the office. $5 each.

SECOND-HAND UNIFORM SALE
The next second-hand uniform sale will be held on Friday 23rd May (1:00-1:50pm in the SEU building.) For enquiries please call Katrina, 5598 3443.

CANTEEN ROSTER

TERM 2
WEEK 6 (26th – 30th May)
Mon 26th Joy Morden
Tues 27th Sarah Keating Sheryn Vogels
Wed 28th Toni-Anne McLennan
Thurs 29th Sarah Cumming Glenda Gardner
Fri 30th Janice Lindsay Sharon Cotton
(12:00 – 2:00pm Volunteer Required)

WEEK 7 (2nd – 6th June)
Mon 2nd Bobby French Cherie Mungean
Tues 3rd Donna Bedggood Angelique Canelis
Wed 4th Susan Van Rijthoven
Thurs 5th Carissa Bosuen Jenny Inglis
Fri 6th Bronwyn Lenehan
(12:00 – 2:00pm Nancy Johnson)

PARENT CLUB NEWS

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

TSPA MINI MINUTES
The cook book
There will be copies available from shops until sold out and also from the school. We will be considering always having copies available.

ARTSHOW/ AUCTION:
Friday 24th October, at the school hall. More details as they are finalised in the next few months. Lucky door prizes, raffle, and lots more to look forward too.

Kids matter day:
September 3rd: and we will need helpers for the BBQ lunches on the day. We are considering doing the pre ordered lunches as per last year.

Teacher Submissions: finalised, so look forward to the new equipment coming soon.

Next Meeting: Wednesday, 16th July, at 11am at the school library. This is so any parents who are around the school during the morning are welcome to come along, as not all can make night meetings. Also, please email or text me if there are nights/days that suit, as we can be very flexible about when to have our meetings.

Anne Rosolin (secretary) mob 0409 029 464 or tspa@live.com.au

FOR SALE

1 pair Cutthroat Finch $90
8 month old bull, Aussie Red, bucket reared and currently tethered $900
1 pair Cordon Blue Finches $120
Wood burned designed boxes sm $10, med $15 Lrg $20
4 draw cupboard on coasters with door $200
1 year old female fawn pug – text me for microchip $900

PHONE: 0498 185 089

8 month old Aussie red x bull, bucket reared and tethered $500
1 pair cutthroat Finch $90
Free – Leghorn rooster
Craft boxes – wood burned designed, small $10, med $15, large $20
"WANTED please" – to borrow a trailer 6 x 4 for this weekend
PHONE: 0498 185 089

FLAT TO RENT in Timboon – one bedroom fully furnished excellent condition for long term, short term or overnight.
PHONE: 5598 3864 or 0407 044 889

VIETNAM

An invitation is extended to all members of the wider school community to participate in a Vietnam experience. This trip will be organised by the same company that operates the school tours. Their theme is: “Open their eyes. Change their life.” Visit the following website to find out more.

As a result of parent enquiries, we are currently seeking expressions of interest to participate in this group. A minimum of 10 people is needed for the tour to operate. I was so impressed with my experiences last year, that I am travelling with the students again this year as are other staff members from last year. Teachers pay their own way and give up their holidays to run such trips, and the fact that we are all doing so again this year speak volumes for the quality of the trip.

JENNY EVANS

TIMBOON BASKETBALL ASSOCIATION

SENIOR WINTER SEASON

Commences on Monday 2nd June
Team and individual entries are now being taken for:
A grade men
B grade men
Women’s
Closing date for entries is 16th May
Call 0428 124 437 to register, or the stadium on 55983445

Leaping Lilly Pads

Leaping Lilly Pads is a program which promotes and supports the development of stronger relationships between children and parents, services and the community.
Leaping Lilly Pads provides families with time to engage in play and have fun together, in turn building stronger connections that will benefit the overall development of children.

Group sessions are held in specially designed play spaces providing sensory motor skills experiences such as jumping, falling, balancing, rocking, rolling, holding and cuddling. Children are encouraged having fun, developing their imagination, to use appropriate greetings, eye contact and turn taking and improving their listening and instruction following skills. Parents remain with their children and are encouraged to “tune in” to identify and respond to their children’s emotions.

Each week we focus on an exploratory gymnastic component in a safe environment.

Starting Tuesday 17th June at 2pm
@Timboon Sporting Centre
Cost $6 per child.
Timboon Sporting Centre

Now taking names for children looking to play either Soccer u10/u14 or Netball. Looking to begin competitions Last week of May

Phone the Centre on 5598 3445, Michael on 0417 366 231 or call in to fill out details.

COST: $30.00 registration $4.00/game

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 parents & sons aged 10 – 12 years are encouraged to take part in this 3-hour workshop.

Or 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 5558 6000

Timboon Homework Group
3.30- 5.30pm
Every Monday during school terms
Years 6 and up welcome
Timboon Library
Afternoon tea provided
Access to computers, iPads, internet, and importantly, assistance if needed
$2 per child
Come every week or just when needed
Contact Debbie on 5594 3448 for more information and bookings
11 Jayarra Street
Simpson 3266
Email office@simpsondcc.com.au
www.simpsondcc.com.au

Vietnam

Hi everyone, I am travelling to Vietnam again on the 23rd June with a school group. We are visiting the Bo de Pagoda Orphanage while we are there.

The orphanage was constructed on site in 1986 and currently there are 151 children (all orphans) and 50 elderly residents who are part of this complex. The all-female monks provide shelter and food for the infants. A good majority of this is donated by groups/pilgrims etc.

Food stuffs (e.g. - powdered milk) and basic necessities (nappies, vitamins) are most welcome and necessary. I would like to take some health related goods with me. Some suggestions for donations include–

- Antiseptic cream
- Baby formula
- Baby nappy rash cream
- Children’s Panadol
- Toothpaste.

Children’s clothing would also be appreciated.

If you can help - please leave in the basket in the staff tea room. You can also leave donations at the school office.

Amanda Nash

Auskick Reminder

Super clinic session this Sunday, 25th May
Camperdown, 9.30am, Leura Oval
NO session at Timboon
Timboon School is one of the largest country P-12 schools in the state. It is located in the drier district of South West Victoria and lies approximately 35km south of Camperdown and 52km east of Warrnambool. The school sits in a beautiful environment of grassed ovals and eucalyptus trees which are frequented by koalas, possums and native birds.

We offer a unique experience and a holistic approach. As a ‘Kidsmatter’ school, Timboon P-12 values each student as an individual, supporting their emotional, social and educational needs.

As a P-12, Timboon School is in an enviable position. We have the opportunity to create positive relationships which support our students on their journey from the beginning of their schooling through to year 12.

We believe it takes a village to raise a young person, so the school is closely linked with its community. Team building, leadership, resilience, embracing diversity and responsible decision making are fostered by student led Peer Support, curriculum programs which involve Parks Victoria, Port Campbell Surf Life Saving Club and South West Health Care. An extensive and innovative curriculum is supported by the Timboon Agriculture Project (TAP)

The TAP harnesses the energy and expertise of a dynamic local food production and food processing industry through a multi-layered partnership. It provides opportunities for the expertise of community members to be harnessed to the curriculum development and delivery skills of the teaching staff. Forty nine experts in business, technical, scientific, professional and trade occupations provide ongoing input to student learning outcomes within and beyond the school campus.

The TAP has created opportunities for cross curriculum and multi-year level collaboration. An example of this is Lavender on TAP, which was conceived as a Year 9/10 small business activity.

As it develops it will contribute to commerce, science, food technology and potentially textiles, English and graphic design units.

We boast our own industrial lavender farm, cheese making facility, duck and chicken incubation and rearing, a Stephanie Alexander garden and a dedicated classroom and two hectare site allowing hands on learning for all year levels.

The TAP builds on Timboon P-12’s strong focus on mathematics, science and technology and led to the school’s nomination as finalists in two Victorian Education Excellence Awards in 2013 and again in 2014. Curriculum Innovation and for its outstanding Community Partnerships.

Timboon P-12 has formal transition programs at each stage of a students’ educational journey; from pre-school to Prep, from Year 6 to 7, from Year 10 to VCE or VCAL, and from school to work. Staff and peer support programs are also in place for students beginning at Timboon P-12 from other schools.

We recognise the importance of creating strong foundations for our Prep students and parents. Our Prep coordinator is available to advise and support parents of new and prospective students, and works closely with the local kindergarten to ensure the children’s transition to school is both smooth and exciting.

The Year 6 to 7 transition program is delivered in three stages. It begins early in term one with ‘A Taste of Secondary Education’ where Year 6 students are invited to spend a day on the secondary school campus where they energetically participate in a variety of dynamic electives and meet the teachers who are passionate about their lessons.

The second stage presents ‘Timboon on Display’, a showcase of the varied and outstanding curriculum. Parents and Year 6 students can meet secondary students and teachers, see examples of students’ work, ask lots of questions and get a preview of the core curriculum and elective choices. We are immensely proud of what our school has to offer.

In the last phase, Year 6 students spend two days on the Secondary Campus building familiarity and confidence before starting the second part of their educational journey.

The Year 7 and 8 curriculum offers an explosion of choices alongside the core subjects, presented in an engaging, student-focused elective program. Students can sample from a smorgasbord of subjects including The Mystery of Mime (Performing Arts), Wild, Wicked Shoes (Art), Armchair traveller (Extra Geography), Drift Innovations (Metal Design & Technology) TAP into Science (Science), The Bread Basket (Food Technology), Exploration Maths (Extra Maths) and Pyjama Party (Textiles). The range of electives allows students to make choices within the curriculum to create a strong, individual pathway - this results in increased motivation and engagement and encourages students to work towards their personal and educational goals.

Year 9 and 10 students build on these experiences to inform their subject selection to build a solid grounding for Year 11 and 12.

Pathways may include VCE or VCAL, with the option to include school-based apprenticeships and a range of Vocational Education and Training (VET) courses. Formal career guidance starts in Year 9, incorporating work experience in Years 10 and 11. The program includes local placements and a group experience in Melbourne in Year 10, and Melbourne placements in Year 11.

Timboon P-12 students have gone on to become doctors, vets, car mechanics, stage managers, physiotherapists, policemen, paramedics, nurses, journalists, actors, electricians, teachers, farmers, football players, puppeteers, horticulturists, tree surgeons, etc.

If you live in our community you can be sure that when you phone for a plumber, require a car mechanic, need to be nursed back to good health, ask for a mortgage, order a proper cup of coffee or speak to the principal for a tour of our exceptional school, you will most likely receive the services of a former Timboon student - and you will be pleased you did.

“I feel compelled to write to you expressing our thanks for the past 22 years. My children are just ordinary children who have been given an extraordinary experience in attending Timboon P-12 School.”

(Parent of four children who attended Timboon P-12 School.)

Our students of yesterday become the leaders of the village that raise our students of tomorrow.