Student study tour to Vietnam a success

One of the highlights of the trip was exploring the Buddhist temples at Marble Mountain. Our Guide, Chi, explained the significance of the animal sign you were born under and how marriages and business deals can be determined by the animal sign of your birth year.
Welcome back to Term 3. We welcome Anne Frazer back to the school. Anne will be replacing Lisa Kensit who will be on leave for the remainder of the year.

I would also like to welcome our new Acting Assistant Principal, Mr Dan Walker.

A big thank you to Ms Deppeler, Mr Mottram, Mr Graesser, Amanda Nash, Bronwyn Lenehan, Terrianne Stansfield and Terese Stevens for all of their work recently on the very successful Vietnam Study Tour.

Over the holidays we had a number of trees removed (see pictured below) to make way for our new secondary building. These works were made possible through the kind donation of time and resources to our school. A big thank you to Paul Fowler, Mick Arundell, Shane Thornton, Tim Lenehan, Jason Steere, Ray Smith, Ken Buck, Stuart Howland and Robbie Marr for their assistance in this process.

A school Youth Worker – We will now have a school youth worker available at the school every second Wednesday (beginning on the 20th of July). Kim Pringer will be onsite 9am-3:30pm to provide additional support to secondary students regarding their wellbeing. She will be positioned in a newly created school inclusive space which has been set up in the B Building (Primary Area). See image of this space below. This space will also provide a base for TSPA and other support group meetings.

Introducing School Compass:

Compass is a comprehensive suite of integrated web-based software tools designed specifically for Australian schools and it features a host of options for teachers, parents & students, including:

- Attendance and Roll Marking
- Staff, Student and Parent Portal
- Semester, Progress and Continuous Reporting
- Wellbeing, Behaviour and Student Management
- Letter Generation and Student Merits
- Learning Tasks, Continuum
- Event / Excursion Planning, Approval and Payments
- Simple Instrumental Music Scheduling
- Online Payments, Agreements and Consent
- Bulk Notifications (Including SMS, Email and Push)
- Parent Teacher Conference Management
- Resource Booking Sheet
- Test Score and Result Analytics (e.g. NAPLAN)
- Staff Professional Development
- Resource and Curriculum Builder
- News Feed and School Calendaring
- Digital Signage / TV Screen Messaging
- Surveys and Parent Feedback
- Student and Enrolment Management

During the Terms 3 and 4 our school will be transitioning into using this system. Over time we will begin to communicate to students and parents on their access point into this software. It is hoped that this system will assist in improving school and home communication.

- In the last week of Term 2 our eight Year 9 students returned from China (Alpine Leadership School). Below are some highlights of their experience. An application for a group of Year 9 students to attend this leadership camp opportunity in 2017 has been completed and we look forward to hearing back shortly regarding the outcome of this application.

A quick recap of our experience to the Alpine Leadership School which featured a 6 week trip to China........

- 9 hour drive; first 3 weeks at the School of Leadership, Alpine campus, Dinner Plain
- 43 students all up from nine different Victorian schools. Timboon had the most attend with eight in total
- Said goodbye to our parents and started getting to know new people and introducing ourselves to everyone we’d now be living with
- Shared a room with one other person – a complete stranger!
- While we were there we did daily duties, practised teamwork, learnt various skills based around leadership and learnt about ourselves, our qualities and personal traits or skills we didn’t know we had!
- Went on some expeditions, for example camping on Mt. Buffalo and going underground river caving and multiple hikes (one being Tabletop Mountain)
- We also had to keep a journal the whole time
- By week 3 it was time to say goodbye to the Alpine School (TAS) and make the drive down to Melbourne ready to head to China
- We had an hour with our families (got to catch up, introduce our new friends)
- A lot of the families and students went to Maccas!
- Checked in our luggage waited for a couple of hours until our flight, for some it was their first flight, first time leaving Victoria! (Took about 8 hours)
- Landed pretty exhausted in the hot humid air, which was a bit of a change to Victoria’s icy weather
- Had a quick bus trip to Utahloy International School Zengcheng, Guangzhou (Southern China)
- Stayed there for the nine weeks in a boarding school environment
- Whilst in China we did mainly outdoor activities like…..
  Hiking up Waterfalls, visiting temples, cycling through villages, traditional art activities as well as Kung Fu and Tai Chi, walking through markets wet and dry! Talking to the locals and bartering for a better deal
  For one of those weeks we hiked (with packs) over three days through remote villages to a bigger city, Yang Shou, where we stayed for five days.
  For one of the other weeks we crossed through border security to enter Hong Kong. From here we caught a bus and boat to an island just off the mainland, Pak Lap.
  We stayed there for a week on the quiet beach and camped on the sand in two man tents. Some found it comfier than others!
  Some activities we took part in here were abseiling, coasteering, sea kayaking, orienteering and raft building
  Over the whole trip we also did some community service in some villages helping make roads and cleaning things up
  Whilst in China every day, everyone had an hour session of Mandarin including the teachers. In the last week we took part in final exams which went over three days. The exams involved an oral test as well as separate comprehension and writing exams. Everyone did really well and all passed. Some are also continuing it back home and at school

The last few days were really hard for everyone saying goodbye to all our new friends and what we now thought of as ‘family.’
After a delayed flight we arrived back in Australia, said our final goodbyes to all the teachers and friends, then met up with our eagerly waiting friends and family ready for a catch up on everything and sharing all our stories and experiences ready to be bombarded with questions during the drive home – and the next few weeks!
Went to school that Monday straight after and got back into routines – really weird being back in ‘normal’ schooling!
Everyone seemed to fit back in really well.
During the holidays 22 out of the 43 Alpine students from the trip all got together in Geelong for a much needed catch up!
Everyone’s keeping in contact.
(Jorji Woods on behalf of the 8 Alpine School Leadership students)

School Review 2016: Currently we are undergoing a school evaluation to develop a new school strategic plan for the next 4 years. In the coming days you will receive a letter requesting your feedback on our school. We value your feedback and would appreciate you taking a small amount of time to complete the 5 questions and returning them to the general office.

- 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).

Congratulations to: Zach Ellemor, Suzanna Ryan, Heidi Stansfield, Logan Cuthell and Ben Matthews who are competing at the State Cross Country in Melbourne today.

July
15th HSSSD Senior Basketball
18th Year 8 Health & Wellbeing excursion Melbourne
19th Year 12 Legal Studies excursion Melbourne
20th Year 12 information evening, K-P Tours, Year 8 Cheese Making (Camembert in the Classroom)
22nd K-P Tours Year 8 Cheese Making (Camembert in the Classroom)
26th K-P Tours
27th Maths Olympiad
28th K-P Tours, Cultural Performance

SEAN FITZPATRICK
PRINCIPAL

SCHOOL CAFETERIA AND A AND B BUILDING ARE PEANUT AND TREE NUT FREE ZONES
Dear parents, students and community members,

I wanted to take the opportunity of the first newsletter of the term to introduce myself. My name is Dan Walker and I’m the acting Assistant Principal in the Secondary School for the remainder of the year.

I am currently living in Warrnambool with my wife Amy and my two little boys Archie, who is 4 and Lewis who is nearly 2. Originally from Victoria, Amy and I spent twelve years in Broome and Fitzroy Crossing, WA teaching and nursing and moved to Warrnambool last year where Amy won a position as a midwife and I won a position at Brauer College teaching English.

Over the past twelve years I have taught English and also taken on the roles of Student Services Coordinator, High School Deputy Principal, and a regional leadership development role. Whilst at Brauer I have also been English KLA leader.

I enjoy the dynamic nature of schools. My philosophy to school and life is based on the premise that we all have strengths that enable us to be successful; that every day at school is about improving a little bit more and that hard work and resilience enables us to be successful people.

High expectations for and of student academic outcomes and behaviour are essential ingredients for kids to be successful. Living in the bush should not stop kids from having excellent skills and access to high quality, consistent teaching and outcomes whatever their pathway. I am really looking forward to further supporting our students and staff at being the best versions of who they can be through working together and being a part of the Timboon community as much as possible.

I’m really excited and humbled by the opportunity and will work hard for the outcomes of our students and school community. This week it has been really encouraging to see kids on task in class, learning and applying themselves. Whenever I speak with kids in class my focus is always on whether the kids know what they are learning, why they are learning it and what success looks like. This enables me to gauge whether our kids are on track...this week they have been on track.

If you have any queries or would like to catch up about your child’s progress, please feel free to give me a call or come and see me.

Regards,

DAN WALKER
ACTING ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL

Welcome back to term three. The term of mud, colds, lost jumpers and of course great learning!

Our students are expected to make sensible choices about where and what they play while they are at school. This term is always one that tests their developing common sense, with so many potential tempting mud and slide areas around our yard. While teachers make suggestions and discuss suitable activities we do find, from time to time, that some students require stricter boundaries such as “No grass areas” to help them remain classroom ready. If, by chance, your child makes a choice that impacts on their ability to work in a classroom then you can expect a phone call asking you to bring up a change of clothes. During severe weather conditions we supervise students inside over play and lunch times rather than exposing them to the cold conditions. However, on most days outside play is possible. It does make for lots of misplaced jumpers though, as students are warm inside and colder out. PLEASE make sure your child’s jumper is CLEARLY NAMED. Thank-you to all our families who are making such a huge effort to support our school uniform policy. The addition of our Winter jacket, scarf and hat have been very warmly supported. If your child is out of uniform we do require a note of explanation and a date that the situation will be rectified.

ANDREA TAYLOR
ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL

VCE news
A big thank you: To ex student Hannah McDonald
Hannah visited with our Year 12 VCE students on Monday morning at the start of the new term.
Hannah shared a little of her journey through Year 12, with some time management and study hints to help keep our students motivated for the run up to the exams.

Year 12 Parents and Students Information Evening.
Wednesday 20 July 2016 7:30 pm Library Theatre. The aim of this evening is to supplement information and the support given at school to Year 12 students related to applications for tertiary education options as well as expectations and timelines for the rest of the year. We are offering this information session to ensure that both parents and students are aware of the timelines and the procedures that are necessary for effective transition into post school life.
Visiting speakers: South West TAFE, Deakin University. Some topics to be covered on the night: Application process; Commonwealth Supported Places (CSP) and the payment options; Scholarship and equity information; residential accommodation - how to apply; the process of first round offers / deferrals / results. Other information will include: GAP year thoughts; preparing for exams; the timeline to the end of the year – key dates, last day details, exams, formal, awards night. Students have been given an indication of attendance slip to return to school before Tuesday 19th July.

Support with study, revision, time management.
E3 Thursdays 1:00 pm
A regular, non-subject specific study session for Year 12 / Year 11 students. We kick started this week by revisiting the February Deakin University presentation on study skills. Federation University, Ballarat, are holding a study skills day on September 21. Students can register and find more information about the event at www.federation.edu.au/VCEstudsks . This is during the first week of the holidays – Year 12 students need to be mindful that teachers often run revision classes during this time, as do other ‘external’ providers. (more info will be available in newsletter, webpage a bit later)

Open Days
July and August is University Open Day season. Please keep your eye on the newsletter, the careers newsletter, the school webpages as well as newspapers for information about dates, times and locations. Year 11 and Year 10 is a great time to go hunting.
LIBRARY NEWS

Term 3 in the library sees the celebration of Children’s Book Week. During the term the primary classes will be reading many of the short listed titles. The theme for Book Week 2016 is Australia: Story Country. Our annual Great Library Read In will also occur this term. All Prep to Year 10 students are well on the way to completing their Premier’s Challenge for 2016; our school has currently read and registered over 7500 books. Great reading. I will be sending out overdue notices next week. Could everyone please have a good look around for any library books hiding at home? Happy Reading
Mrs Evans

UNIFORM SHOP and CAF
Please visit if you would like to see uniform items and check sizes prior to purchasing from Lowes.

We have available for immediate sale
Beanies $13
Scarves $15
Polar Fleece Vests (previous logo) $12
Broad Brim Hats – Limited sizes (Previous logo) $10
Bucket Hat (previous logo) $10

TIMBOON SQUASH CLUB
Junior Squash Pennant
Thursday after school
Seedings 14 & 21 July
Pennant starting August
New Players Welcome
Contact: Katrina Currell 55983443
Timboon Junior Basketball 2016

12 years and under and 16 years and under
(12 years and under competition for children from grade 3+)

ONLINE REGISTRATIONS ARE OPEN NOW

Play will commence second week of term 3:

Monday July 18th for 12 years and under
Wednesday July 20th for 16 years and under

REGISTRATIONS CLOSE JULY 11TH 2016

Please go to Timboon Basketball Association or Timboon Sporting Centre face book page for more details

WANTED

Rocks, Bricks, Railway Sleepers etc
Do you have unwanted rocks, bricks, railway sleepers or anything we could use in our new sensory garden???
TIMBOON COMMUNITY GARDEN are about to begin work on their sensory garden and are looking for donations of unwanted garden wares
Please contact Daryl at Timboon and District Healthcare Service 555 86000 to arrange pick up.

CANTEEN NEWS

CANTEEN ROSTER

TERM 3
WEEK 2 (18th – 22nd July)
Mon 18th Terri-Anne Stansfield Sarah Cumming
Tues 19th Tanya Delaney
Wed 20th MJ Haywood
Thurs 21st Susan Van Rijthoven Cherie Mungean
Fri 22nd Brett Hough Bronwyn Lenehan
12:00 – 2:00pm

WEEK 3 (25th – 29th July)
Mon 25th Christie Berry Prue Cashmore
Tues 26th Kim Smith
Wed 27th Joy Morden
Thurs 28th Sue Trotter Naomi Lewis
Fri 29th Angelique Cangelis
12:00 – 2:00pm Bryan Ward

*Available at the caf:

BEANIES $13
WINTER SCARVES $15

If anyone can volunteer in the blank time slots above it would be appreciated.

SECOND-HAND UNIFORM SALE

The next second-hand uniform sale will be held on Tuesday 19th July (1pm in the SEU building).
For enquiries please call Susan: 5598 3358

2016 Student Photo ID cards are available at the office for Year 7 – 12 students. $5 each

LOWES

15% OFF
SCHOOLWEAR!
& EVERYTHING ELSE

1 DAY ONLY
FRIDAY 15TH JULY

ONLINE ONLY - SHOP NOW

ENTER CODE: 15PEROFF AT CHECKOUT TO RECEIVE DISCOUNT

*Cannot be combined with other offers or discounts. No laybys or cash checks. Please choose carefully, exchanges and refunds only with dockets.
Offer ends midnight (AEST) 15th July 2016.
Timboon Kindergarten presents

Steven SPELLMASTER
Stage Hypnotist Show
Followed by auction and raffle
Saturday 6th August
Timboon Town Hall $35 pp
Tickets available at Timboon Newsagency or call Heidi Lawson for more details.
0407 881 680

413 Squadron, Australian Air Force Cadets are recruiting in July.

If aged 13 to 18 years of age and interested in an exciting youth development program attend information night at Tel el Eisa Barracks, Pertobe Rd Warrnambool. 7.00 PM Thursday July 21st.

KANGAROOBIE MEATS - we deliver sensational tasting fresh beef raised on our natural, lush pastures in Princetown. We take your order via our online shop www.kangaroobiemeats.com & then deliver to Timboon P-12 School each month.

The July delivery will be Friday 22nd from 3.15 – 3.45pm on Wark St (select Timboon P12) alternatively you can pick up Tuesday 19th from 3.45 – 4.15pm at Port Campbell Playground (select Port Campbell) Order cut off Monday 18th July 6pm.
Any queries please email us on info@kangaroobiemeats.com or phone Sophie 0428 101 878
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