Eisteddfod success

Congratulations to the following students who recently competed in the Warrnambool Eisteddfod (Year 5/6 debating section). Team 1 achieved first place - ‘Dogs make better companions than cats’ - Affirmative. This team was made up of Milla Clarke, Ebony Woods, Iagan McKenzie and Lucy Jones (Chairperson). Team 2 also achieved first place - ‘Australians give everyone a fair go’- Negative. This team was made up of Henry Stansfield, Chris Bowker, Willow Smith and Lara Brown (Time Keeper).

A big thank you to Terry O’Connor for his work on preparing the students and to all of the parents who were able to attend and support this event. An outstanding achievement!
PRINCIPAL’S REPORT

School Review 2016: Thank you to all of the families that have returned their feedback regarding:
1. What do you feel the school values are?
2. What is this school doing well? The best aspects of this school you would like to keep
3. What suggestions do you have for improving this school?
4. What do you expect from education? This is an aspirational description of what is ‘an education worth having’ for our children?

This opportunity to provide the school with feedback will remain open for the next fortnight. We value feedback from all families (family confidentiality is assured).

Families who complete the survey will go into a draw for the following prizes:
1. $100 Timboon IGA voucher
2. $40.00 Timboon Fuel voucher

Collecting staff and student feedback will also be taking place in the coming weeks. Staff and students will be asked to reflect and evaluate on the targets that we set in our last 4 year strategic plan as well as begin designing future targets for the new strategic direction of the school.

Teaching and Learning practice: As we look to the future together I am focused on enhancing high quality teaching and learning in every classroom in the school. It is important that we create the conditions so that all students can and will learn at high levels. This week staff have undertaken a peer observation with their chosen colleague from their PLC (Professional Learning Community-Year level or KLA).

This is an ideal opportunity for all staff to obtain feedback from their colleagues and their students on your instructional practice. It is also an opportunity for all staff to collectively focus on our school teaching and learning focus:

- What do we want students to know? (What is the learning intention of the lesson, what is the quality of task that you can observe?)
- How will we know if they have learnt it? (Where is the evidence of the success criteria and what does it look like?)
- What does the teacher do if the students don't know it (What does the feedback to the student/teacher look and sound like?)
- What does the teacher do if the student hasn't learnt it (What does the feedback to the student/teacher look and sound like?)

A reminder of Homework Expectations

Homework should be:
- appropriate to the student’s skill level and age
- purposeful, meaningful and relevant to the curriculum
- interesting, challenging and when appropriate open ended
- assessed by teachers with feedback and support provided

- Balanced with a range of recreational, family and cultural activities.

Types of homework

I would encourage all parents to discuss with your child their homework requirements and habits. As the old saying goes- How do you improve? Answer: You Practice! Sometimes there will be times when homework has either been completed or not set for a particular subject. Revision of curriculum taught is a very useful exercise and habit for children to consolidate and learn. These habits become increasingly important as your child moves into their senior education. Some additional homework tasks could take the form of:

Practice exercises

- Provides opportunities for students to apply new knowledge or to review, revise and reinforce newly acquired skills, such as:
  - reading for pleasure
  - practising spelling words
  - practising physical education skills
  - writing essays and other creative tasks
  - practising and playing musical instruments
  - completing consolidation exercises for Mathematics
  - Practising words/phrases learnt in a Language Other Than English.

VCE/VCAL/VET Information Evening, 10th August, 7pm, 5-8 Building: This information session is designed to provide students and families with important information regarding the requirements of the VCE/VCAL/VET certificates as well the opportunity begin mapping out their future direction. All Year 10 and 11 students will participate in subject counselling on Monday 15th & Tuesday 16th August.

School Compass: Staff are currently working through attendance and roll marking feature of this electronic system.

To assist with this process,

If your child arrives or is picked up during school hours (9am - 3.30pm), they are required to be signed in or out via the Office only. Parents can drive into the school grounds between 9am - 3pm to collect or drop off their child from the main office. Children are not permitted to wait at the gate or be picked up from the classroom.
Lions Coins for kids:

Lions Clubs Coins for Kids is a Lions Fundraising Project that brings Lions Clubs and Schools together to achieve our Vision: 100% Survival for Kids with cancer.

50% of the money raised goes towards Childhood Cancer Research and the rest is allocated by the schools and students to a charity of their choice. It is a wonderful opportunity to engage young children and teenagers in a service activity that involves cooperation, organisation, decision making and leadership.

WE NEED YOUR COINS! ALL P-6 CLASSES ARE ENCOURAGED TO COLLECT COINS FOR THIS TERM TO SUPPORT THIS CAUSE.

We will be counting our coins on Kidsmatter Day on September 7th.

July:
26th K-P Tours
27th Maths Olympiad
28th K-P Tours, Cultural Performance

August:
3rd-5th Year 10 Urban Experience Camp, Year 9 Wilderness (Duke of Edinburgh) Camp
10th VCE/VCAL/VET Information Evening, 7pm 5-B Building

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

ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL’S REPORT

Last week, and this week, I have been conducting our transition school tours for new families enrolling students in Prep for 2017. The opportunity to showcase some of the wonderful programs and learning that happens here at Timboon is indeed a very positive part of my job. New parents are often amazed at programs such as our TAP, Kids Matter, Stephanie Alexander Kitchen Garden and CAFE programs just to name a few. With prep 2017 enrolments being due this Friday, I would ask any families who have yet to bring in their paperwork to please make every effort to do so by tomorrow.

Our new Compass system is about to go live. Once we are using this system it will become very important that all late arrivals and early departures are done through the main office. For this reason we would ask families to begin the practice now by dropping off late students at the main office and collecting any students early through the same location. Thanks.

Each term I try to remind parents about the legal supervision requirements of teachers. A teacher’s work day officially starts 15 minutes prior to class beginning. For this reason our supervision starts at this time too. While many teachers choose to come in early and prepare for the day, this is not a time when they are responsible for the care of your children. Please make sure that your child is not arriving at school prior to 8:30 as the school does not supervise before this time.

I have sent out notes this week that will enable families to select either a morning or afternoon time slot for parent teacher interviews. The P-6 interviews will be held on Wednesday 17th August. No classes for P-6 students will run on this day. If you would like to have your time preference considered in the time allocation please return this form no later than the 3rd of August. If you do not return the form a time slot will be selected for you.

ANDREA TAYLOR
ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL

Marngoneet Prison

On Tuesday 19 July, the Year 11 and 12 Legal Studies and VCAL students attended Marngoneet Prison, a medium security jail. Students had to go through security to gain admittance to the jail and this was rather nerve racking for some. Once inside, students had the opportunity to speak to eight prisoners about their crimes, the legal system and life in prison in general. This year we also had the opportunity to ask questions of the prison officers, who were able to provide a different perspective of life in jail. They were also able to share how they got into this career and what opportunities are in this growth area.

Some of the students’ comments about the experience are below.

- A lot of the prisoners are affected by drugs and it is the reason they did the crimes, especially armed robbery.
- It was fascinating learning about how one mistake and bad decision can completely change your life as in Joseph’s case.
- It was interesting to hear the prisoners’ stories, why they committed their crimes and if they had any regrets.

The programme is designed to provide students with first-hand experience of the system as well as act as a deterrent.

A big thank you to Jamie Mackieson for driving the bus.
Ann talks to $20 Boss Commerce class

Some of the Commerce students with Ann and part of her product range.

From within Timboon P-12 School we have people doing an amazing range of things and this was evidenced when teacher, Ann Hegarty, spoke to the Year 9/10 $20 Boss (C45) Commerce class about her market stall which sells an array of home sewn products. As part of the $20 Boss competition, students will operate their own small businesses so learning what other people do, and how they do it, is a critical part of their preparation.

Ann was able to share her experience of product design, manufacture, promotion and selling through regular local markets. She brought in a number of her main sellers and new items which students were able to examine and question Ann about the time and expertise involved.

Thank you Ann for giving up your time to share your wealth of knowledge and experience with our class.

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

CANTEEN NEWS

CANTEEN ROSTER

WEEK 4 (1st – 5th August)
Mon 1st Carissa Archibald
Tues 2nd Beth Roberts
Wed 3rd Talia Blain
Thurs 4th Steph Delaney  Sharyn Ferguson
Fri 5th Michelle Gristede  Corinne Beames
12:00 – 2:00pm

WEEK 5 (8th – 12th August)
Mon 8th Michelle Fowler  Melissa Cardwell
Tues 9th Kylie Treble
Wed 10th Sheryn Vogels
Thurs 11th Emily McKenzie  Jenny Inglis
Fri 12th Melinda Drysdale
12:00 – 2:00pm Anne Rosolin

*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 23rd August. (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

FOR SALE

35 year old Queen Anne Dining table in excellent condition. Always kept inside. Curved wooden legs – original working foot rollers. All glass top and wood. No marks. Regretful sale. $400
Phone: 0411 791 946

EQUESTRIAN NEWS

Equestrian forthcoming events
September 11th
Warrnambool Interschool Equestrian Championships

October 30th
Warrnambool Agricultural Show

November 1st
Hamilton Pony Club Games Day

December 9th
Emu Creek Interschool Dressage Championships
Stephanie Alexander Kitchen Garden Program

Thursday 4th August

Hot Soup with a bread roll $3.00 or Spaghetti Bolognais and Roll $5.

Please have your order into the canteen by Wednesday 3rd

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

Timboon Kindergarten Presents
Guest Speaker
Sharon Homberg – Continence Nurse

Free!!

Wednesday 3rd August 2016
9.30 – 10.30am
Timboon Kindergarten

Are you concerned your child may not be dry for Kinder or School?
Wetting is frustrating and embarrassing
20% of 5 yr olds wet the bed
7% of 7 yr olds wet the bed
5% of 10 yr olds wet the bed
1-2% 15 yr olds wet the bed

This is a very common condition and Sharon helps kids to become dry.
Come and find out how as well as other continence issues.

Midget Basketball Under 10s
Will commence this Friday at 3.45pm.
All those who are interested in playing are to be at the Timboon Sporting Centre by 3.45pm to be placed into teams.
Games will be run this night.
Call 0434741803 for any questions.
**Bedroom Discovered in Lost Jungle**

Experts today uncovered the remains of what appears to be a young person's bedroom dating from the early 21st Century. This historical find has shaken the myth that dirt and mayhem as a feature of the teenage bedroom was solely a mid-21st Century phenomenon. An archaeological dig at the site has uncovered many objects of obscure purpose plus treasured posters and strange condensed clumps of food, magazines and clothing. Historian and mother of four, Mrs Marjorie Hindbottom, said, 'This is one of the most gruesome discoveries of my career. I thought my own kids were bad but I've never seen anything like this!'

Along with the piles of unwashed clothes and illicit substances appears to have been a teenager, who emerged dazed, unwashed and bewildered.

On being told that he had overslept by at least 20 years, the teenager's first comment was, 'Typical - they always forget to wake me.'

The Typical Teenage Bedroom

An analysis of the typical teenage bedroom includes many unidentifiable substances. Just as in the song 'The Twelve Days of Christmas', things just seem to keep gathering:

When I went into my teenager's bedroom, what did I see?

12 teenagers mumbling, 11 posters drooping, 10 lads a-languishing, 9 girls a-pigging, 8 undies breeding, 7 socks a-stinking, 6 greasy plates, 5 maudlin poems, 4 crawling nerds, 3 dreaded friends, 2 purple gloves and a bar fridge full of Jim Beam.

**TODAY'S WORD:**

**CLEANLINESS**

**DEFINITION:**

- By Parent: Bed made. Clothes in laundry basket or folded and put in wardrobe. Plates and food returned to kitchen.
- By Teenager: Bed covered. Clothes stuffed into drawers or left on floor ready for next use. Food supplies and emergency rations near to hand.