PRINCIPAL’S REPORT

- It is the Queen’s birthday holiday next Monday and on Tuesday we have a report writing day. On these days the students do not come to school. The office will be open as normal on Tuesday.
- On the 11th June we will be hosting the Anzac Centenary- Victoria’s Journey of Remembrance roadshow. Community members are most welcome to attend. It starts at 9:00am. This activity encourages and supports Victorians across the state to learn more about World War One history and to research their own personal connections.
- It is great to see so many students wearing the school beanie. The mornings are very cold and the beanie is a great way to stay warm. Students wanting to wear a scarf to school must wear a navy blue school scarf. Multi-coloured scarves are not school uniform. Make sure these items are named as it is much easier to return lost items when they are named.
- Every three years since 2009, the Australian Government has undertaken a census of all children in their first year of full-time schooling. This information is used to identify communities where families and children may require extra support and to help shape the future and wellbeing of Australian children. If your child is a Prep child and part of an AEDC census, the information provided by their teacher will make an important contribution to our understanding of the development of Australian children during their early years. The data collection for our students is next week. Contact your child’s teacher if you have any concerns.

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

Calendar

June
4th Year 3 and 4 Farm Visit
5th Year 2,4,6 Childhood Obesity study
8th Queen’s Birthday- no students
9th Report writing day-no students.
9th-11th AEDC Assessment for Preps
11th Victoria’s Journey of Remembrance 9:00-10:00
11th School Council
12th Greater Western Cross Country 7-12
19th P-10 Cultural Performance
24th Tri-Sports
26th P-6 Parent Teacher Interview Day

ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL REPORTS

Opportunity:

Next Thursday we will be hosting the Anzac Centenary - Victoria’s Journey of Remembrance roadshow. This is a community focussed roadshow to secondary schools and community meeting places to encourage and support Victorians across the state to learn more about their World War One history, to research their own personal connections, and to work within their local communities to ensure that we share Victoria’s stories. An innovative presentation combining video, theatre and narrative to explore the Anzac story. This event will be held in the School hall on Thursday 11th June 9:00am-10:00pm. If you are a community member and you would like to attend, please contact me at the school on phone: 5598 3381.

Battle of the Bands: Next Friday 12th June two of our VCE/VET Music bands will be playing at the Battle of the Bands competition to be held at Camperdown College Hall 6:00pm-10:00pm. We have some exceptional talent at Timboon P-12, it would be great to see large support for the students performing. Picture below: VCE/VET Music students practising for the competition.

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

**Smiling Mind** is modern meditation for young people. It is a unique web and App-based program, designed to help bring balance to young lives. It is a not-for-profit initiative based on a process that provides a sense of clarity, calm and contentment. In this busy world we live, we could all do with a little help to slow down and get some balance.

Last Thursday and Friday Andrea Vallance (TAP Co-ordinator) and I had the opportunity to present the TAP model at the Country Education Partnerships Conference in Melbourne. This was an opportunity to reflect and engage in a wide range of excellent educational initiatives taking place in rural settings across Victoria. Andrea and I were invited to deliver 2 workshops over 2 days highlighting the engaging, strategic and operational content of the TAP. Our community needs to be congratulated on this innovative program and this work is not going unnoticed state and nationwide. It’s an easy program to talk about because the people involved in this project are what make it successful. In addition to this, former student and CEP Ambassador Ashley Bentley (pictured below) also spoke at the conference on what it means to grow up in a rural area and the importance of Health and Wellbeing.

Because it is a general test, no special study is required for the GAT. Students will already have done preparation for the GAT in past study of subjects like English, Mathematics, Science and History, where they have built up general knowledge and skills in writing, numeracy and reasoning. These are the knowledge and skills that will be tested.

Students can get a good idea of the questions by looking at previous GAT papers. Students are encouraged to familiarise themselves with these questions and note that all the information needed to work out the right answer is provided.

1. **Why do students have to do the GAT?**

   The GAT is an essential part of the VCE assessment procedures.

   All students enrolled in one or more VCE or scored VCE VET Unit 3 and 4 sequences must sit the GAT.

   Although GAT results do not count directly towards a student’s VCE results, they play an important role in checking that school-based and external assessments have been accurately assessed, and in calculating Derived Examination Scores.

   The GAT is used in these ways because achievement on the GAT is a good predictor of achievement on other assessments. If students have done well on the GAT, then their achievements are likely to be high on their school-based and external assessments.

   Clearly, some GAT questions relate more closely to achievement in particular studies. The VCAA takes this into account when it calculates students’ expected achievements in each study for each school. For example, GAT results in mathematics, science and technology play only a minor part in calculating students’ expected achievements in humanities studies.

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2. **How is the GAT used?**

   The VCAA will use students’ GAT scores as a basis for:

   - contributing to statistical moderation of school-based assessment results
   - checking the accuracy of external assessment marking
   - calculating the Derived Examination Scores.

   And remember:

   **SEAN FITZPATRICK**  
   **ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL (7-12)**

   The next second-hand uniform sale will be held on Tuesday 16th June (1pm in the SEU building). For enquiries please call Susan: 5598 3358
**Division Cross Country**
Nine runners from Timboon P-12 School travelled to Warrnambool on Friday to participate in the Warrnambool, Portland and Hamilton Division Cross Country. Our school was proudly represented by Rowan Ferguson, Caprice Baillie, Henry Stansfield, Emily Morden, Susanna Ryan, Jasmine McDougall, Zac Ellemor, Taj Field and Lucy Jones. All of our students ran very well on the day and should be very proud of their efforts.

Susanna competed very strongly and was the winner of the 11 year old girls’ race. Susanna will be joined by Rowan, Caprice, Zac and Taj, as they compete in the Region event in Warrnambool on 12th June. We wish them all the best in the next round and congratulate all of our runners on their performances last Friday.

Matt Haugh  
P-6 Sports Coordinator

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**Barwon Prison**
On Wednesday the 27th of May the Year 11 and 12 Legal Studies students attended Barwon Prison, a maximum security jail. Students had to go through extensive security to gain admittance to the jail and this was rather nerve racking for some. This included screening for drugs, going through a metal detector and a wand search. Once inside, students had the opportunity to speak to five 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 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.
- I found Barwon intimidating and very confronting.
- It was fascinating learning about how one mistake and bad decision can completely change your life.
- It was interesting to hear the prisoners stories, why they committed their crimes and if they had any regrets.
- I learnt that generally speaking a criminals earlier childhood dramas and abuse seem to correlate with their later crimes.

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

A big thank you to Ian Harris for driving the bus.

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**For Primary Art room**
**WOOL WANTED, WOOL WANTED...**
Scraps, lengths or balls of wool,  
Any thickness  
Any colour  
Any amount.  
Needed for some wonderful work with wool coming soon to the Art Room!
Thanks – Lee McLeod and Ann Hegarty

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**TERACYCLE RECYCLING COMPETITION**
The students of Year 6 are encouraging the school to take care of the environment through recycling waste products. We would like to be involved in a competition designed to promote recycling of Toothpaste tubes.

Colgate will award $1000 to the school which collects the most oral waste care products. They will then forward the products to Teracycle who can provide a second life for these products. Products include:

- Toothbrushes  
- Toothpaste tubes  
- Toothpaste caps  
- Floss containers

They can be any brand.
Every year in Australia and New Zealand, over 30 million toothbrushes and 80 million toothpaste tubes are thrown away. Together we can help reduce the impact on the environment by recycling these materials.

Year 6 House captains

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**SECOND-HAND UNIFORM SALE**
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**LIBRARY NEWS**
Thank you to everyone who supported our recent Book Fair, over $600 was generated in commission. This money has been used to buy books to support the CAFÉ reading program. The Read More in May Challenge has now concluded, students can submit their entry by going to www.scholastic.au/nfrm and logging their details and the total number of minutes read for the month. Students can also bring their completed logs to the library and I will assist them with their entry.

Happy Reading, Mrs Evans
**Canteen Roster**

**Week 9 (8th – 12th June)**
- **Mon 8th**: Public Holiday
- **Tues 9th**: Report Writing Day
- **Wed 10th**: Naomi Lewis - Volunteer Required
- **Thurs 11th**: Maria Gultom - Volunteer Required
- **Fri 12th**: Bronwyn Lenehan - Volunteer Required
  (12:00 – 2:00 pm: Sharon Cotton)

**Week 10 (15th – 19th June)**
- **Mon 15th**: Michelle Fowler, Melissa Cardwell
- **Tues 16th**: Jodie Couch, Angelique Cangelis
- **Wed 17th**: Katie Millard - Volunteer Required
- **Thurs 18th**: April Janssen, Cherie Mungean
- **Fri 19th**: Kylie Martin - Volunteer Required

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**For Sale at the CAF**

New Timboon P-12 scarves $15.00
Beanies $13.00

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**For Sale**

- Rams x 2: $100
- 2 x large colour TVs, old but still working: $50 each
- Bench grinder, double, new: $80
- 2002 VX commodore only done 187-329kms: $2,000
- Phone: 0498 185 089

Guinea pigs for sale, different ages $5 each
Phone: 0488 954 467

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**Flat to Rent**: One bedroom fully furnished flat in Timboon, power and water paid.
Phone: 5598 3864 or 0407 044 889

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You’ve heard of a GAP year, how about a TAP Year! Would you like an opportunity to make & save money prior to undertaking further study at university, college, traineeship, TAFE course or while you are deciding what you want to do?  
We are planning to offer assistance to senior students to help find work locally in an agricultural field or industry. It could involve a taster or a pathway for students to learn more about agriculture, or a chance to do short courses, eg “Cups on, Cups off” course or RSA while working to enhance your employment prospects. This would be a fantastic addition to your resume & would make you stand out from the crowd as well as make you financially independent prior to uni etc.

Enquiries: Please contact Andrea Vallance

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**TSPA Parents Say**

Love to hear from you!

Name:

Phone:

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**TSPA Mini Minutes**

Fundraisers for rest of 2015
Fathers day stall, raffle, TAP day stall, Christmas cakes (to be confirmed), Foodie Dinner, and Santa in the street stall. All dates to be announced, as required.

All the details for these fundraisers will be published as required.

Anyone who feels that they may be able to contribute in any way are most welcome to let any TSPA member via text, email, phone, letter and are most welcome to attend a meeting to forward their ideas.

We have also decided to have our meetings on the third Monday of each month either at 12pm or 7.30pm. The venue for the lunch meetings will vary depending on availability of rooms at the school, but the night meetings are always held in the admin building at the school.

Next meeting is on Monday June 15th at 7.30pm at the school admin building. All Welcome.

Anne Rosolin (secretary) mob 0409029464 or tspa@live.com.au

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**~ 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 19th June at
Timboon Hospital Health - Education Room
6.00 – 9.00pm  
Cost: $7.00 per couple
Sandwiches & fruit platter provided.
To reserve your place please phone 55586000

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**Mixed Soccer Has been Revamped**

Starts Monday July 13th at 4pm.
Timboon Sporting Centre.

3 week development clinic working on the following skill sets:
- *Skillful Footwork*  
- *Pro Moves*  
- *Strategic Games*  
- *All-Star Shooting*  
- *Lightening Speed*  
- *Instinctive Passing & Receiving*  

8 Week round robin competition starting 3rd August.
Taking children’s names now.
Camps, Sports & Excursions Fund (CSEF)

Every Victorian child should have access to the world of learning opportunities that exist beyond the classroom. The Camps, Sports and Excursions Fund will ensure that no student will miss out on the opportunity to join their classmates for important, educational and fun activities.

School camps provide children with inspiring experiences in the great outdoors, excursions encourage a deeper understanding of how the world works and sports teach teamwork, discipline and leadership. All are part of a healthy curriculum.

CSEF will be provided by the Victorian Government to assist eligible families to cover the costs of school trips, camps and sporting activities.

If you hold a valid means-tested concession card or are a temporary foster parent, you may be eligible for CSEF. The allowance will be paid to the school to use towards expenses relating to camps, excursions, or sporting activities for the benefit of your child.

The annual CSEF amount per student will be:

- $125 for primary school students
- $225 for secondary school students.

How to Apply

Contact the school office to obtain a CSEF application form or download from www.education.vic.gov.au/csef

Closing Date

You should lodge a CSEF application form at the school by 26 June 2015.

For more information about the CSEF visit www.education.vic.gov.au/csef
Our Year 7 students combined with students from Colac Secondary College and Camperdown College in the Maths & Science @ Work expo. This major event was an interactive expo showcasing over 20 occupations with links to the dairy industry. Students participated in activities that demonstrate the maths and science used every day in the presenters’ careers.

I learnt how to find out how much fertiliser and what type you need for healthy crops and how to get the price.

How to work out the fat content of the milk that goes into making cheese.

Learnt how to make ice cream with liquid nitrogen.

I learnt how you can apply everyday school maths and science in farming.

I learnt how to know when a cow is pregnant.