

Newsletter

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Strength Through Understanding

Date: 23rd October

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KEY SCHOOL DATES

3rd November Melbourne Cup Day
12th November TAP DAY
27th November Student Free Day
8th & 9th December Statewide Transition Day

7-12 DATES

23rd October VET TASTER yr 10
23rd October Yr 12 Last day & Assembly
28th – 30th October Yr 11 Bushwalk
23rd November Yr 11 Celebration
8th – 9th December Yr 7 Transition Days
7th December Yr 9 Camp

P-6 DATES

23rd October P-6 Assembly 2:50pm
23rd October 5-6 Super 8 Cricket
30th November Junior Swim Program starts
2nd – 4th December 5-6 Camp
10th December Year 6 BANDS Performance



Wizard of Oz

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Vice Captains: Evie Gordon & Noah Clark

Timboon P-12 staff and students acknowledge the traditional owners of the land on which we are gathered today, the Kirrae Whurrong people, and pay our respects to their elders both past and present.



Timboon
P-12
School

PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

What a great start to Term 4 it has been for our school. I want to thank Lisa Pechotsh who was acting Primary AP during the first couple of weeks this term. Michelle is now back from her leave.

For those who were able to attend our production of *The Wizard of Oz* last term, I hope you enjoyed it as much as I did. I have received so much positive feedback from families and community members, not only about the quality of the production, but also about the opportunities it provided for our students to be involved in such a fantastic event. A big thank you to all the students, staff, families and volunteers who contributed to making it such a success. We look forward to seeing what we might bring to the stage in a couple of years' time!

Today, we also had the opportunity to farewell our Year 12 students as they completed their final days of school. It is always a significant milestone, and we wish them all the very best as they move into exams, employment, further study and the many opportunities that lie ahead.

While our Year 12 students are finishing their journey with us, there is still plenty of learning ahead for our other students. Maintaining positive learning routines, making the most of classroom opportunities and finishing the year strongly remain important priorities.

There is certainly a lot happening between now and the end of the school year, with many exciting activities, celebrations and learning opportunities still to come. We are looking forward to TAP's On, as well as a number of camps, excursions and sporting opportunities. I encourage families to keep an eye on Compass and school communications to stay informed.

We are also well underway with planning for 2027. As we work towards providing the best possible curriculum and learning opportunities for our students, we may seek information from families to support our planning. Your timely responses are always appreciated.

I hope you enjoy reading this newsletter and celebrating the many wonderful things our students and staff have been involved in since the beginning of the term.

MATT DODSON
PRINCIPAL

ASSISTANT PRINCIPALS' REPORTS

7-12 REPORT

Celebrating Our Year 12 Cohort

As our Year 12 students celebrate their final week of schooling, we reflect on their incredible journey at Timboon P-12 School. We are proud not only of their commitment to academic learning but also of their impressive participation in a wide range of co-curricular activities throughout their time with us.



We would like to extend a special thank you to Year 12 Wellbeing and Engagement Leader Carolyn Wakefield, as well as to our prep students and teachers, for organising the lovely letters presented to our Year 12 cohort during their final assembly. We formally acknowledge and recognise all of our Year 12 students, sending our very best wishes particularly to those who are undertaking their VCAA examinations next week.

The selection process for our 2027 student leadership team has officially concluded. We extend our warmest congratulations to our newly appointed School Captains; Asha Loughnan, Jalen Berry, Toby Rantall, and Lucy Jones.



We would like to welcome our 2027 House and Vice Captains, who will lead their respective houses next year:

Narragoort (Red House)

House Captains: Isla Perry and Elyssa Mutton

Vice Captains: Mayana Beveridge and Edward Awiten

Halladale (Blue House)

House Captains: Ruby Jones and Harvey Redshaw

Vice Captains: Ruby Pender and Darcy Hutchins

Callaway (Green House)

House Captains: Ruby Munro and Willow Roberts

Vice Captains: Claire McAuliffe and Tamara Anderson

We want to acknowledge the outstanding work of our current 2026 student leaders. We will be celebrating their contributions with a morning tea before they officially hand over their responsibilities to the incoming 2027 leaders.

I would like to formally 'shout out' to one of our valuable staff members. This year, the standard of work produced by our Year 12 Art students under the leadership of their teacher, Mrs Gail Higgins has been nothing short of extraordinary. This year's work proved that while our teachers always strive to inspire.

My hope is that our younger students start looking up, noticing the incredible achievements around them, and in doing so, come to believe that they too can inspire those who follow them toward their own path to personal success. I want our students to realise the value of these experiences in the primary school, in Year 7, Year 8, Year 9, Year 10, and especially by Year 12. I hope they take advantage of the supports and opportunities available to them, rather than looking back to opportunities missed.

Finally, a thank you to our classroom teachers, and education support staff for their unwavering dedication to our students.



Year 12's 2026

SOFIA ALEEM
7-12 ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL

P-6 REPORT

What a lovely start we have had to Term 4! It has been pleasing to see students settle calmly into their classroom routines and enjoy positive interactions in the yard. The spring weather has been a welcome addition, and I have enjoyed spending time with students and staff as I stepped into the Acting Assistant Principal role these past two weeks.

There has been a fantastic uptake of sunhats across the school. Thank you to families for supporting this important SunSmart routine. Please ensure your child/ren have a clearly labelled hat so it can easily find its way back to them if misplaced. Hats can be purchased from LOWES or the school canteen, or you may be lucky enough to find one at the op shop!

Our Grade 3 and 4 students and accompanying staff have been enjoying time away at Angahook camp this week. Camp offers wonderful opportunities to try something new, build friendships and develop independence. We look forward to hearing their stories and thank our staff for the time and care they put into making this experience possible.

Students have also celebrated World Mental Health Day through activities centred around gratitude, mindfulness and resilience. These activities encourage students to notice the positives, pause and check in with themselves, and practise ways to manage challenges. They also reinforce the importance of looking after one another and asking for help when needed.

As we move through a busy final term, our focus remains on making the most of classroom learning and supporting every student to finish the year positively. Thank you to our families and staff for helping make such a settled and positive start to Term 4.



LISA PECHOTSCH
ACTING P-6 ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL

Year 1 & 2

It's that time of the year and our students are preparing for their turn to host the fortnightly P-6 Assembly. 2C did an excellent job at the end of last term as did 1A in week 1. The next P-6 assembly in week 3 will be hosted by 1/2B. Thank you to those who have attended. It is fantastic to see parents come to support and watch their child.

The swimming program will be in weeks 9 and 10. Dates are Monday 30th Nov, Tuesday 1st December, Thursday 3rd December, Friday 4th December, Monday 7th December and Wednesday 9th December. Times are to be confirmed and will be sent out. Prep students and new students to the school will be required to fill out a blue swimming abilities form. Please return to school by the end of this month. 1/2 students are not required to complete a blue form as the information has been kept from last year. Communication will be sent out via compass.

Year 3-4 Camp at Angahook Holiday Camp

The Year 3-4 students had a fantastic time at Angahook Holiday Camp! The many smiling faces were all the evidence we needed to know that everyone was having lots of fun and making wonderful memories.

There was plenty of **challenge, skill, competition and adventure** throughout the camp. Students tested their courage on the giant swing and rock-climbing wall, developed their skills on the low ropes course and enjoyed a friendly game of disc golf. Archery and the Beach Olympics brought out everyone's competitive spirit, while the bush walk provided plenty of adventure and opportunities to explore the beautiful surroundings.

Of course, one thing we could all agree on was that the food was great!

A big thank you to all the parents for supporting their children in preparing for camp, and to the staff who generously gave up their time to make the experience possible. We would also like to thank the team at Angahook Holiday Camp for providing such a safe, welcoming and happy environment for our students to learn, challenge themselves and have fun.

It was a wonderful experience filled with laughter, new challenges and lasting memories!





VM Melbourne Camp

On the last week of Term 3, Year 11 and 12 VM students caught the train to Melbourne for an overnight camp. Over two days we completed many activities that focused on leadership, teamwork, learning new skills and communication.

Some of the highlights were ice skating, horror escape rooms, laser tag, bowling, finding great food and the amazing race around some key landmarks of the city.

Everyone had a great time over a busy two days but were all eager to return to the quieter pace of Timboon.

- 'I enjoyed laser tag because it was a fun team bonding exercise.' – Olivia
- 'My highlight was watching Hope scream and run out of the escape room after only two minutes.' – Lucy and Eve.
- 'We enjoyed watching Kayden get scared in the escape room by a dropped chain.' – Ollie and Brock
- 'I enjoyed ice skating. I was the best at it.' – Oscar
- 'I enjoyed trying to navigate around Melbourne for the Amazing Race.' – Jhyce
- 'My highlight was the ice skating.' – Hope
- 'Highlight was the pizza dinner. Meatlovers in particular.' – Cooper



CONGRATULATIONS to our VCE Art Making & Exhibiting students proudly presenting their final artworks.

Our VCE Art Making & Exhibiting students have proudly reached an exciting milestone, completing and resolving their final artworks for Unit 4.

Throughout the year, students developed their individual art practices by refining ideas, visual language, materials, techniques, and processes, responding to feedback and critically reflecting on their art making.

The completed artworks demonstrate the students' growth, creativity, and commitment to developing their own artistic styles and aesthetic qualities.

Students also considered how their finished artworks could be thoughtfully presented, displayed, and cared for within an exhibition context.

I am incredibly proud of the dedication, persistence and creative thinking demonstrated by our VCE Art Making & Exhibiting students.

They look forward to celebrating their achievements while sharing their images with the school and wider community.

Regards, Mrs. Higgins.



Roxana Grave



Indiana Jarvis



Olivia Rhode



Holly Delaney



Evie Gordon



Mia Baynes



Caius Cuthell



Neisha Baker



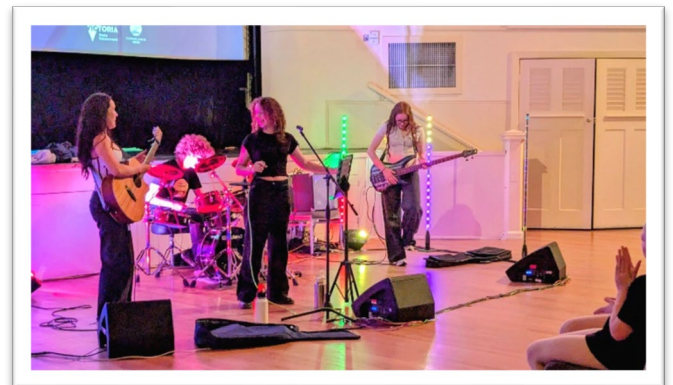
Thea Vogels

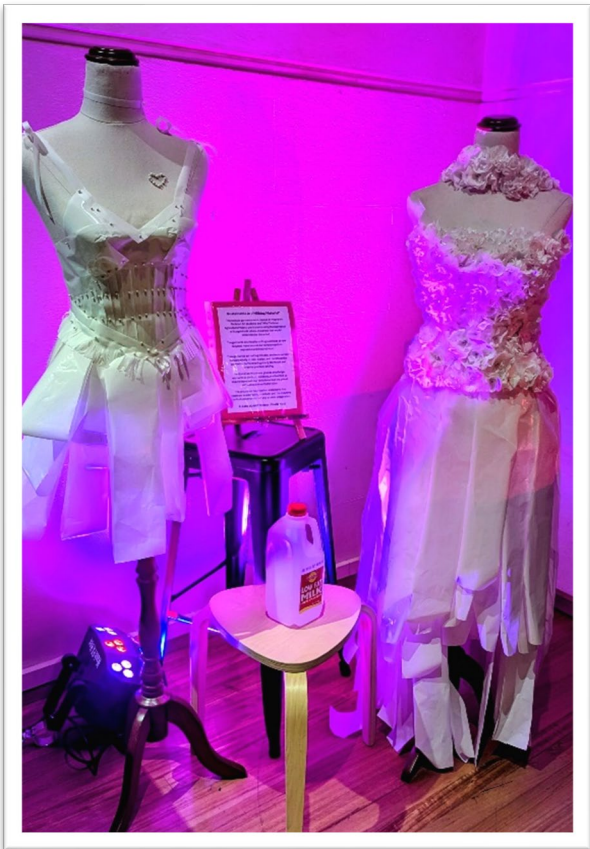
Celebrating Creative talent at the Corangamite Youth Showcase

Timboon P-12 was proudly represented at this year's Corangamite Youth Showcase, a vibrant celebration of the creativity, imagination, and talent of young people aged 12–25 from across the district. Held at the historic Theatre Royal Camperdown on Sunday 20 September, the Showcase transformed the venue into a dynamic celebration of art, music, and performance, providing young creatives with an opportunity to share their ideas, talents and unique art works with the wider community. Our students displayed an exciting and diverse collection of artworks from painting and drawing to sculpture and mixed media, the exhibition was filled with colour, texture, experimentation, and imaginative ideas. Together, the collection created a wonderful show case of creativity and highlighted the remarkable artistic talent emerging from our local schools. It was particularly wonderful to see so many Timboon P-12 families and members of our community attending the event, celebrating the achievements of our students, and enjoying an afternoon filled with creativity, performance, and connection. Congratulations to all our talented Timboon P-12 students who participated. Your creativity and willingness to share your art works and music made our school community incredibly proud.

Mrs Gail Higgins.

Secondary Arts Teacher





Greater Western Regional Athletics

Congratulations to **Nelson Cook, Esther Couch, Isla Dickinson, Emilio Haig, Harriet Hancock, Gretel Hollick, Callum Nicholls and Daniel Tugade**, who represented our school at the **Greater Western Regional Athletics Championships** in Ballarat last Friday.

Competing at a regional level is an amazing achievement, and all students should be proud of their efforts. They demonstrated excellent sportsmanship, while giving their best in their respective events.

A special congratulations goes to **Callum Nicholls**, who has qualified for the **State Athletics Championships** in the **800m event**. This is a fantastic accomplishment and a reward for his hard work and dedication. Good luck in Melbourne!

Well done, Nelson, Esther, Isla, Emilio, Harriet, Gretel, Callum and Daniel!

Jarrad Cook

Physical Education – VM





Author Illustrator Showcase

During Book Week, the Year 8 students met with David Higgins, professional artist and author illustrator, and learnt how illustrations help tell a story. David shared his creative process with the students. After the visit, the students were asked to reflect on what they took away from the conversation. Two thoughtful reflections were chosen and awarded a prize. Elizabeth Plozza and Montana Bellis were the proud recipients of a signed copy of David's first book, *One World - A Journey*. The book received a Notable Book recommendation in the 2008 CBCA Eve Pownall Awards and was featured in the NSW Premier's 2009 Reading Challenge. Well done Montana and Elizabeth!



Cheese Appreciation Night 2026

Our annual TAP Cheese Appreciation Night is a highlight of our term long investigation of cheesemaking showcasing the learnings of our Year 8 Science students including posters and scientific information about the cheese making process and featuring dairy advertisements devised by the students. Our audience of students and parents viewed the advertisements produced by students while their cheese was judged in a blind taste test by Simon Schulz and Hila Perry from Schulz Organic Dairy with some very tasty Camembert cheese produced. Our judges first tested the aroma of the cheese, the shape of the brined cheese wheel, the appearance of the cheese whilst cut checking for consistency and finally, the taste and flavour. Media judges, Robyn Vale and Fiona Mackenzie had a difficult time determining the winner of the advertisement challenge as there were many ads which delivered clear, concise and witty messages about dairy. The winning 8A ad, "Milk. No Bull. Just Good" was produced by Indii and Imogen with Xavier, Oliver and Kaiden as runners up with "Milk makes you grow" while 8B's Samantha, Alexis and Emman, won the competition for their class with "Dairy, the Mood Buster" and Noah and George were runners up with "Expiry Date". After the cheese judging Simon Schulz commended the students on the quality of their cheese and the cheese making process. The best cheese in 8A was produced by Lyla and Ruby with Jed and Lachie as runners up while Imogen and Dakota produced the the best cheese in 8B with Stella and Emily as runners up. Thank you to Jess Harmsworth from Bega for proving dairy goodie bags whilst our runners up prizes were ice cream vouchers from Timboon Fine Ice Cream. Congratulations to Mrs Maxwell, Mrs Dennis and Fiona Allen who coordinated the evening with thanks to everyone who attended who helped us celebrate all things cheese with special thanks to our judges extraordinaire for giving real 'steet cred' to our curriculum offerings; Simon, Hila, Robyn and Fiona.



Just kidding!

Our Year 9/10 AgHort are investigating a variety of agribusiness models and were hosted by 3rd generation dairy farmers, Steph, Chris and Michael Vogels who welcomed them to their goat and cow facilities as part of the Cooriemungle Ag Unit Trust - Vogels Farms operation.

Beginning in the kidding shed, Steph outlined the goat dairy operation where 1,000 goats are milked in one dairy with goat milk produced year round and the collected twice weekly to supply an Infant Formula Company in Melbourne. The goat operation, now in it's 6th year, was established as a means to diversify the business and spread risk whilst utilizing existing resources, infrastructure and staff.

At the main dairy farm, Chris explained that the dairy farm had been running for 60+ years from one block of land and dairy started by Frank and Dorothy Vogels, (Chris Vogels' senior's parents) and now milked approximately 4,000 cows with 45 staff across 5 dairies in Cooriemungle, Princetown and Simpson. The 'Big Farm' site is the operational hub with a 100 cow rotary dairy, calving facilities and the feed station where cow / goat rations are mixed and stored in silos, feed bunkers and several large silage pits to ensure the best possible feeding regime for their stock. At the retro fitted goat dairy, Michael introduced students to the Saanen, Toggenburg and British Alpine milking does who produce approximately 3.5lt daily and are milked 3 times a day in a rapid exit herringbone dairy. Students jumped at the chance to interact with the kids and goats and were even fortunate to be a part of the milking process, with several students interested in working with the goats in the future.

Thank you to Steph, Chris and Michael for welcoming us into your family business and allowing students such an hands on insight into such a fascinating local agribusiness with diversified operations.

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Timboon Library

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Tuesday	1.30 - 5 pm
Wednesday	1.30 - 5 pm
Thursday	10 am - 2.30 pm
Friday	10 am - 2.30 pm
Saturday	10 am - 12 noon

Opening Hours (school holidays)

Monday	2 - 5 pm
Wednesday	2 - 5 pm
Friday	10 am - 2.30 pm
Saturday	10 am - 12 noon

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WEEK 2 12 th – 16 th October	TERM 4
Mon 12 th	
Tues 12 th	Liz Loving
Wed 13 th	Olga Caltino
Thurs 14 th	Anna Cunningham
Fri 15 th	Selina McConnell
WEEK 3 19 th – 23 rd October	
Mon 19 th	
Tues 20 th	Tony Bird
Wed 21 st	Camille Nicholls
Thurs 22 nd	Fabiola Travi Ponce
Fri 23 rd	Bonnie Doolan
WEEK 4 26 th – 30 th October	
Mon 26 th	
Tues 27 th	Kelly Knight
Wed 28 th	Amy Marshall
Thurs 29 th	Tanya McKenzie
Fri 30 th	Renee Whitehead
WEEK 5 2 nd – 6 th November	
Mon 2 nd	Bryan Ward Maryann Pender
Tues 3 rd	Melbourne Cup
Wed 4 th	Liz Loving
Thurs 5 th	Scott Munro
Fri 6 th	Jen Trigg
WEEK 6 9 th – 13 th November	
Mon 9 th	Linda Whiting
Tues 10 th	Erin Gardner
Wed 11 th	Sarah Ferrari
Thurs 12 th TAP DAY	Cassy Warner Sheryn Vogels
Fri 13 th	Tanya Delaney
WEEK 7 16 th – 20 th November	
Mon 16 th	
Tues 17 th	Tony Bird
Wed 18 th	Nicole Burvill
Thurs 19 th	Cassy Warner
Fri 20 th	Selina McConnell
WEEK 8 23 rd – 27 th November	
Mon 23 rd	Rachel Richardson
Tues 24 th	Maryann Pender
Wed 25 th	Jamie Barry
Thurs 26 th	Nichole Burvill
Fri 27 th	STUDENT FREE
WEEK 9 30 th Nov – 4 th December	
Mon 30 th	Amy Marshall
Tues 1 st	
Wed 2 nd	Olga Caltino
Thurs 3 rd	Olivia Tutungi
Fri 4 th	Jen Trigg

WEEK 10 7 th – 11 th December	
Mon 7 th	Crystal Johnson
Tues 8 th	Liz Loving
Wed 9 th	Camille Nicolls
Thurs 10 th	Anna Cunningham
Fri 11 th	Tanya McKenzie Sheryn Vogels
WEEK 11 14 th – 18 th December	
Mon 14 th	
Tues 15 th	
Wed 16 th	
Thurs 17 th	
Fri 18 th	

WARRNABOOL ROLLER DERBY LEAGUE PRESENTS...

HALLOWEEN DISCO

SAT OCT 31ST 6-8PM

Get ready for a fun filled spooky night with warnambool roller derby league! Dress in your spookiest costumes and BOO-gie on down! Entry is \$10 pp (including skate and protective gear hire).

AGES 5+

PLEASE FILL OUT AT VENUE

11 Hamilton Street, Timboon
(Timboon sporting centre)



warnamboolrollerderby@gmail.com



TIMBOON HALLOWEEN TRAIL

A fun trick-or-treat event for local families

Dress up and enjoy a **spooky afternoon** around Timboon visiting participating homes and businesses!

FREE tickets via Eventbrite

Registered families will receive the trail map

All families must register

Registrations close **Tuesday, 27th October**

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TRICK OR TREAT

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THURSDAYS 4PM-5PM

**4-week program
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For primary school-aged children.
Learn squash skills in a supportive
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COST: \$5.70 per child

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CORVA PILATES

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Timboon Stadium

Wednesdays

Time- 6:15-7:00pm

Cost- \$20 cash

What to bring?

Pilates Mat / Water Bottle/ Towel

JUNIOR PENNANT



Starting 7 November 2026

Held on Saturday mornings at the Warrnambool Lawn
Tennis Club for players aged between 9 and 17 years old.

Register now >



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CAMPERDOWN CYCLING CLUB INC



COME AND TRY NIGHT

29/10/2026

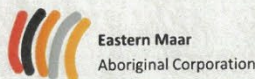
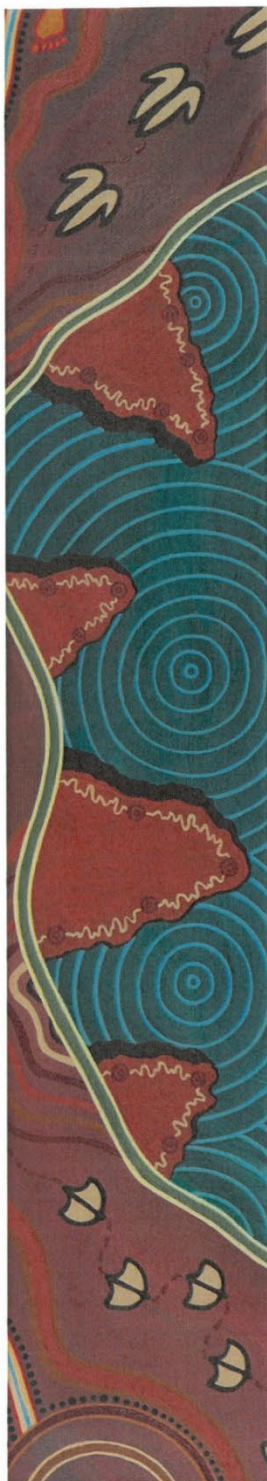
5:00 @ Camperdown Saleyards

WHAT TO BRING

- Mountain bike or road bike suitable for riders age. (If needing a bike please contact the club for options)
- Helmet
- Drink bottle
- Suitable exercise clothing. Covered in shoes.

Must be over 8 years old.
Free 4 week trial available.

More information can be found at
Camperdown Cycling facebook page
Email Camperdowncycling@gmail.com



WANT TO HELP CREATE AN EASTERN MAAR ARTWORK AT GRAZE THE DAY 2026?

THE OPPORTUNITY

Graze The Day will be held on Saturday 28 November 2026 in Timboon. It is an event that celebrates:

- local food and wine
- arts, culture and live music
- fun sports activities
- interactive workshops

This year, Eastern Maar Artist Sherry Johnstone, supported by emerging Artist Delilah Wilkinson, will create a new artwork live at the event – and you have the chance to be part of it. You'll work alongside the Artists and other students to help develop ideas and contribute to the final artwork.

Note: Students under 18 can attend the event for free. One parent or guardian will also receive a free ticket to accompany you.

THE THEME

Honouring Country as the source of all our food and sustenance. You'll explore this theme and help develop design ideas that reflect where you live, what matters to you, and your connection to place.

WHAT YOU'LL GAIN

- Learn about local culture from an experienced Eastern Maar Artist
- Create an original artwork and build new creative skills
- Connect with other students through a shared project
- Contribute to something meaningful that will be displayed at your school for years to come

SUBMIT YOUR INTEREST

Complete the permission form attached and return it to Mrs. Higgins, Secondary Arts Teacher, Timboon P-12 School.

Questions? Contact Mrs. Higgins on 5598 3381 or email gail.higgins@education.vic.gov.au

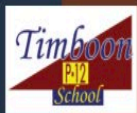
**GRAZE
THE DAY**

Artwork by Sherry Johnstone

Permission forms available from Mrs Higgins, Secondary Arts.

WHAT CAN YOU TAP INTO?.. Come and See!

TAP's On! 2026



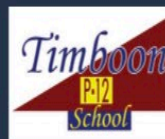
Timboon P-12 School

THURSDAY 12TH NOVEMBER 2026

Curriculum expo 10.00am - 2.20pm

Featuring Fissics Education

Visitors welcome to stay for Fissics Ed Showcase -
'Science That Explodes' 1.25 - 2.20pm



*Timboon P-12 School invites YOU to be a part of our
TAP curriculum community*

In STEM disciplines, Literacy, History, Geography, Commerce, The Arts and more, TAP is providing unique perspectives and applied learning opportunities to students from Years P-12. On farms, in agricultural businesses and across the P-12 campus, the TAP creates opportunities for students to underpin their learning with real-world experiences.

- The TAP is proudly supported by the Gall and Vedmore Foundations
- TAP's On! 2026 proudly sponsored by Westpac Bank