

Newsletter

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PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

Thank you to all of the school community with the positive attitude that we have tackled this period of remote learning.

I know all of us – parents, students and teachers – are doing our best to make a positive out of a very difficult situation. While I know there will be some issues and challenges, we are all doing our best to keep the curriculum delivery progressing along. If your child needs some support, please let the school know and we will do our best to provide this.

It certainly has been an interesting start to the term. Back for four days away for two weeks, back for couple more and then an unexpected return. We are trying to keep most events progressing along in a Covid safe way.

We were very lucky to fit in our Year 3/4 camp. Well done to the 3/4 team, in particular Ms Moriarty for her leadership in organising the camp. I know all the staff and the kids had a great time and I must admit when I visited it was great to see the smiles on the kids' faces as they enjoyed the camp experience.

It has taken a while, but we have had architects appointed to the building works on our new netball courts and shade area, which will start soon. This relates to the \$475,000 that we have to upgrade the school grounds. We have also received another \$120,000 for maintenance and tree works and these will happen over the rest of the year.

Students in Years 4, 5 and 6 will shortly be receiving information about computer devices for 2022. I apologise that we could not present all of this information to you face to face as this would have been much easier. Please read through the document and if you have questions, please contact Gill Hampson or myself. I wanted to provide this information to parents early so they have time to plan. A key message is that in 2022 it is compulsory for students in Years 5, 6, and Year 7 to have their own laptop.

We have been unable to have our VCE subject selection nights due to the need to social distance. In light of this it is extremely important that parents are reading notes on Compass and any other information that comes home. If you do have questions, please contact the school and we will do our best to help over the phone.

I mentioned in an earlier Compass post that we would like to congratulate Ms Berry on being Appointed as Acting Principal at Simpson PS for Term 3 and 4. While we are sad to see her leave this is a great opportunity for her, and we wish her the best. We have also welcomed Ms Liana Brown who is replacing Ms Berry for the rest of the year. Ms Jenni Ryan has also started in her role in charge of Wellbeing.

Year 9 students recently spent the day visiting the Corangamite Trade Training centre venues to look at their VET options for 2022. This involves looking at courses in Music, Hospitality, Engineering and Building. Thanks to Ms Dyer, Mr Bell, Mr Mackieson and Mr Deppeler for organising all of this and presenting. Mr Mottram has had Year 8 students making their Camembert cheese last week and I am sure they are all hopeful they turn out well.

At this stage we have no update on the GAT for students in Year 11 and 12, we hope to have this information soon. I encourage parents to have a look on the Timboon P12 website and our new virtual tour of the school. It is a great way to showcase the amazing things that happen every day at Timboon P12.

DAVIN REID
PRINCIPAL

ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL REPORT

Last week, Miss Liana Brown was appointed as the classroom teacher of 5-6A, behind Mrs Melissa Berry, for the remainder of the year. Liana is a familiar face to many of the students at school, as she has been a relief teacher for most of this year, due to travel plans being disrupted.

Welcome to our new families this term. Chanika (Year 11) and Thanawat (Year 5) reside in Simpson and have lived in Australia for only the last month, coming from Thailand. Day one was remote learning, so what a way to start! Transferring to us from Allansford, we have two new Year 1-2 students, Alannah and Cheyenne, whose family are working on a local farm. Year 1 student Arky joined Miss Ludeman's class in the first week of term, also coming from Allansford PS. As we welcome new faces, we have farewelled Keevah O'Brien and her family who have moved out of the area.

THANKYOU for once again supporting your children in remote learning over lockdown 6. It is definitely a crazy time and we understand that the uncertainty of what lays ahead can be causing stress and anxiety for you and your family. Please reach out if you need support as our Wellbeing team can offer you and your children assistance. If we don't know you need the support, we cannot help.

Our School plan in the event of a lockdown is being reviewed by the Primary staff this week. It is evident that more 'short' term lockdowns may be announced, so we want to be as prepared as we can to support our students. If you have any feedback you would like to share with us, please call or email me. I appreciate hearing how we can make home learning the best we can, whilst working within the Department guidelines.

Well, weren't we very lucky with getting the Year 3-4 Camp in? Thanks again to parents and families for their understanding and quick actions to make it all happen. I hear today's newsletter is packed with Camp highlights, so enjoy the read.

The Department's Covid restrictions state that visitors to all school premises should be limited to essential school services and operations. If visiting to pick-up your child/ren for an appointment, please wear a mask. There are to be no incursions, whole school assemblies or transition activities. We hope to bring you a P-6 Assembly in the very near future, but our focus at the moment is on providing stability and routine for our teachers and students. We are trying our best to limit disruptions to the normal timetabled program.

Interschool sport is permitted, however this Friday's 5-6 Hooptime Rookies has been postponed to Wednesday 25th August. At this stage the other Hooptime events for Year 3-6 are as scheduled and permission notes will be sent home closer to the event. Please look at the Compass calendar for confirmed dates. There will be a \$12 cost involved for each participant.

Coming up next week on Friday 20th August, is Year 5-6 Hooptime – Allstars. The Earth Ed planned for year 3-4 will be postponed.

GILL HAMPTON
P-6 ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL

Kangaroobie Kids

After a year punctuated by lockdowns and Covid restrictions, our Year 3/4 students and their teachers escaped to Camp Kangaroobie with only 14 hours' notice the night before!! Kangaroobie is an adventure camp on the Great Ocean Road and allowed the students to partake in daily farming routines and promoted many of the features of our South West region. The students really relished getting 'down and dirty', literally, and experienced activities including running an obstacle course, feeding animals, hut building, riding in a trailer on a farm track and just 'kids being kids!' Facilitators from the Worn Gundidj Cooperative provided an Aboriginal interpretation session to give the students a greater understanding and appreciation of the traditional owners of the land on which Kangaroobie stands and included a lesson about bush tucker, throwing spears and boomerangs. Thanks Matt, Sophie and team for letting our students rebound out of lockdown with such engaging, team building exercises.



Some camp inspired poetry from Year 3-4

Feeding animals
Animals
Running
My friends loved it
Incredible
Nice cows
Great

By Emily

Life or Death
Looking around
It was deadly
Fight to the death
Enemy
Omnivore
R.I.P.
Deadly predators
Exhausted from jumping over logs
Apex predator
Tired from running
Hiding from predators
By Kaspar

Life or Death
Freezing, difficult
Hunting, running, hiding
Leaves, teachers, mud, water
Shivering, slipping, sliding
Muddy, soaked
Obstacle Course
By Lyla

Cc for camp; we all loved camp.
Aa for amazing, no worries about that.
Mm for magical; so, so, magical.
Pp for proud; we were proud to be at Camp Kangaroobie.
By Gypsy

Kangaroobie Camp

Not long ago on the 28th July, the 3 / 4s went to camp. My cabin was quite comfy and scary and also funny. The biggest challenge was the obstacle course and building huts. Later on, I laughed when Mr Cook slipped in the dirt next to the big waterslide, it was so funny. I liked sitting around the fire and watching the movie, finally we went to bed. *By Kiera*

At camp I was in cabin Schomberg and I think we were the loudest group by far! But it was a funny group. I was so cold after the obstacle course, I was filthy. I liked the hut building too. I loved Death and Glory and then we went Home Sweet Home.
By Hunter

A few days ago I went to Kangaroobie from Wednesday 28th to Friday 30th of July. I was placed in cabin nine-Black Witch. The first activity I did was Life or Death in the woods. I was a herbivore and it was extremely stressful! We also did some farm activities, we fed some huge cows and a few of us kissed a colossal pig! We also did a long mud course and I got so dirty, I slipped over once too. WHOOPS! Out of all the things, my favourite thing surprisingly was sleeping! The cabin was quite small but it was filled with a lot of beds in it. We also had an Aboriginal talk and practised throwing spears and boomerangs. I wasn't very good at it. We got to taste some plants and they were delicious! My favourite food I ate at camp was definitely breakfast but I did also like the apples. The warm, hot milo and cake for supper were lovely. *By Niah*

At a camp called Kangaroobie there once was a girl called Grace. She was in a cabin called Joanna. Grace found out that she **HATED** cornflakes, liked the cold and loved getting dirty. On a warm sunny day Grace saw a muddy pig. She thought to herself that the pig was hairy and **FAT!** She did a **TREMENDOUS** obstacle course, she thought it was hard. After a hot shower her friends and her hid in a cold empty cabin. Grace went sliding down a muddy hill some time before dinner. By bedtime Grace thought in her head the sliding and obstacle course were her favourites. Lying in her warm bed she said quietly, "Wish I'd brought lollies, a heat pack, blanket and my two cats". Grace had a wonderful time at camp Kangaroobie. *By Grace*

On Wednesday 28th July, I did hut building. My group built a strong hut. I was getting mud that was wet and my foot got stuck in the mud. My group went back to our cabin, our room was big. The next day we got to use boomerangs but I couldn't. To finish we did farm activities. Not long after when we were going to feed the pigs the truck got bogged until now, we had to walk to the pig pen. Matt was feeding the pigs and soon he said we could ride a pig but we had to kiss the pigs bottom, **I didn't**. Then we went back to our camp rooms to talk about how much fun we had.

By Ruby

My favourite meal at camp was chocolate cake dessert because I like sweet food. My room name was Schomberg and I immediately claimed top bunk. My favourite activity was the obstacle course because we got wet and muddy. On the bus trip on the way back to school I sat next to Declan because we like talking about motor bikes. *By Jack*



From COVID to Camembert

There aren't many places where students can emerge from Victorian Covid lockdown number 5 to produce Camembert but our Year 8 science classes are doing so with master cheesemaker, Mr Mottram! In Term 3 the classes are studying the science of cheesemaking including chemistry, food science and scientific processes as they culture their own Camembert cheese. Students learnt about the various types of cultures required to make cheese, the time and precision it takes, the types of milk used and the importance of hygiene. The unit gave students the opportunity to be involved in a real-life, hands-on science project. Apostle Whey's Full Cream Milk will be used for two big cheese making days and students have produced cheeses that have been hooped, brined and turned. Can't wait to taste the cheese!

Remote learning Minecraft Garden Challenge!

Primary students (and parents): Following on from last year's successful TKR remote learning tasks

Welcome to our remote learning Minecraft Education challenge! If you would like to participate, your challenge is to build a magnificent garden in Minecraft Education. The garden can be as big as you like, it can be indoors, underwater, in the desert, on a mountain- you are only limited by your imagination! Remember, important things for any garden are water, sunlight and bees!

There are instructions on Compass to get you started and I have attached some instructions that tell you how to download Minecraft Education onto your device (free for all students) and steps for getting started on the challenge. I have also uploaded some screenshots of my own Minecraft Education garden to give you some inspiration.

Once you have completed the challenge, take a screenshot of your creation (if you know how), and send it to me in a Compass message.

Just a reminder that Minecraft Club is run by Ms Hawkins and I am at school every week.

Can't wait to see what you create! Good luck! Ms Bouchier



TERM 3

We are unable to have volunteer's onsite 16th – 27th August. We will contact you if things change.

WEEK 6 16 th – 20 th August	12:30 pm to 2:30pm	
Mon 16 th		
Tues 17 th		
Wed 18 th		
Thurs 19 th		
Fri 20 th ——— Midday		
WEEK 7 23 rd – 27 th August	12:30 pm to 2:30pm	
Mon 23 rd	Rebecca Morris	
Tues 24 th	Annette Godber	
Wed 25 th	Mira Westlake	
Thurs 26 th		
Fri 27 th ——— Midday	Corinne Beames ——— Nerida Baker	
WEEK 8 30 th Aug – 3 rd September	12:30 pm to 2:30pm	
Mon 30 th	Casey Latchem	
Tues 31 st	Alice Cooper	
Wed 1 st	Bryan Ward	
Thurs 2 nd		
Fri 3 rd ——— Midday	Joy Morden ——— Nicole Booley	

All volunteers must register their working with children card at the school office prior to starting.

2021 PHOTOGRAPHY COMPETITION

RECONNECTING & COVID NORMAL. WHAT DOES IT LOOK LIKE FOR YOU?

#TDHSPHOTOCOMP2021 ENTER NOW TO WIN \$150

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