

Timbarra P-9 College Newsletter

Important Dates

May

Mon 23- Wed 25 - Year 5 Camp
- Year 7 & 8 Camp
Tues 31 - Year 7 & 8 Girls Soccer

June

Thurs 2 - Year 6 MCG Excursion
Wed 8 - Winter Lightning Premiership
Fri 10 - STEAM Excursion Year 8G

School Update

We are looking for Parents/Guardians who may be interested in volunteering their time to help raise funds for our College.

The Timbarra Fundraising Committee organise fundraising events throughout the year including our annual Easter, Mother's Day and Father's Day stalls and raffle.

If you are interested in joining the Fundraising Committee please email timbarra.p9@education.vic.gov.au

Message from the Principal

It has been another busy fortnight across the College. Our special whole school assembly last Friday was a highlight as we presented our Student Leaders with their badges. It was a very proud moment for all of us, as they recited the Leadership Oath in front of their peers, staff, and parents/carers. The assembly was followed by a delicious afternoon tea for the students and their parents. We look forward to our Student Leaders facilitating assemblies and fulfilling many other important responsibilities throughout the year. Thank you to the staff involved in preparing for this special event.

The 2022 NAPLAN testing has been taking place over the past two weeks for students in Years 3, 5, 7 and 9. As you can imagine as we cover all year levels for this National testing program it takes a lot of organisations over many months, especially this year as it was the first time the tests were conducted on-line. Thank you to Adele Walker for her excellent coordination of the program across the College for 2022 and to Lauren Griffith (Secondary), Richard Mc Laughlin, Emily Cosgriff and all staff for their cooperation and flexibility during this testing.

There is great excitement as we have two camps taking place next week. Students in Years 5 will be going to Arrabri Lodge in East Warbuton and students in Years 7&8 are going to Phillip Island Adventure Camp. There will be twenty staff attending across the two camps, we are very grateful to our staff for giving up their family time to attend camp. As you are aware there is a state-wide extreme teacher shortage at the moment, we are keeping our fingers crossed that both staff and students remain healthy so everyone can enjoy the camp. Let's hope the weather is kind to us for both camps. A reminder for those attending camp to please carefully read the information regarding the Covid Safety plan during the camps.

Next week we also celebrate Education Week, an annual recognition and celebration of State Government Education and the terrific programs offered in our government schools. This year celebrates 150 years of state education a great milestone. We always look forward to this special week as the children and staff enjoy sharing our programs and learning experiences with family and friends. We encourage visitors to come along and have a look at classroom and specialist programs during learning time. A specific timetable has been posted on Compass and a hard copy in this newsletter. It is always interesting to hear comments from visitors on how different teaching and learning is now compared to when they attended school. These days the learning is differentiated to support the needs of all students. There are, however, some things that do not change. All children still need to know their tables and spell correctly!!!! The methods of teaching these concepts have changed over the years but the importance of student connectedness, student engagement in learning and providing a strong grounding in Literacy and Numeracy remain our primary focus.

Our Prep 2023 Information Session and Tour will be held on Wednesday May 25th, 2022. Please join us in Reception at 10am.

Thank you to everyone for supporting our new "Nude Food" initiative. We are into our second week but already students are becoming aware of minimising food wrappers, Keep up the great effort.

All staff are in the process of preparing midyear reports. They have been moderating assessment data and assessing students in preparation for the formal report. Reports will be live on Compass at 4.00pm on Thursday June 23rd, 2022, followed by Parent/Teacher interviews in the first week of Term 3, due to this term being only nine weeks. More information in the coming weeks.

Thank you to PM for sharing their very special "Half Day" in this newsletter, it was certainly a fun day for both students and staff.

Congratulations to the students who participated in our recent Primary and Secondary Cross-Country events. It was a fantastic effort as most students completed the 3-kilometre course with students under 10 years of age (Year 3/4/) participating in the 2-kilometre course. There is a recount in the newsletter. Good luck to those students who qualified for the next level of competition at the District Cross Country next week.

We are looking forward to participating in college wide activities during National Reconciliation Week:- 27 May to 3 June. The theme for this year is "Be Brave Make Change" - is a time for Australians to learn about our shared histories, cultures, and achievements, and to explore how each of us can contribute to achieving reconciliation in Australia. More details next week from our Marrung Team who are still finalising events.

Thank you to the Timbarra Fundraising Group who continue to work so hard for our college. Another outstanding Mother's Day Stall and raffle with the sum of \$1,529 raised! A fantastic effort. We are very grateful for the support from local businesses for our raffle prizes, their generosity is greatly appreciated. A list of raffle winners and sponsors is attached to this newsletter.

There has been a lot of talk in the media over the past few weeks about the lack of Casual Relief Teachers to cover staff absences in schools. This is a concern for all school systems this term. Fortunately, we have been able to cover most classes and thank our teaching staff and Senior Leadership staff for taking extra classes often at short notice. Thank you also to students, parents and carers for your support and understanding.

Jan Adamson
Principal

OSHC Updates

OSHC Phone Number: 9 705 7400

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OSHC Hours: Before: 7am – 9am After: 3pm – 6:30pm
Vacation Care Hours: 7am – 6pm Curriculum Day: 7am – 6pm

*If our phone is unattended, please leave your booking or cancellation on the answering machine.

NOTE: We will only call you back if we are unable to take your child due to ratios, otherwise if you do not hear from us, everything is fine.

CHILD CARE SUBSIDY BALANCING

Please remember to confirm your family income for the 2020-2021 financial year before Thursday, 30th June 2022, so that you continue to receive the correct amount of CCS (Child Care Subsidy).

To find out more about balancing your Child Care Subsidy go to; www.servicessaustralia.gov.au/ccsbalancing

UDATING YOUR CONTACT OR BOOKING DETAILS:

If any of your contact details have changed, please let us know and we can update them on the system for you. **This includes, but not limited to;** Address, Phone Numbers, Emails, Authorisations, Court Orders, Immunisation Records, etc.

It is most important that we have the correct details for you, as if we need to contact you in an emergency or anyone you have authorised to pick up your child/ren, these details must be correct.

BOOKINGS:

If your child/ren's permanent bookings change at any time, it is your responsibility to let us know, otherwise the bookings you already have will still be charged to you, even if your child/ren do not show up.

So now would be a good time to let us know if any booking details have or will be changing due to parent job or hour changes, changed address, phone numbers, etc.

Please contact us ASAP on the phone number above.

INVOICES:

The next OSHC Invoice will be sent via Email to you on;
Tuesday, 24th May 2022 and Fees are due the week you receive your Invoice.

As our 'Payment of Fees Policy' states;

A child's position will be suspended if payment has not been received within three weeks of receiving their invoice. The suspended place will be re-activated once the invoice has been paid in full.

Please make sure you are checking your Emails. Also, if you have not received an invoice, please first check your 'Junk Mail' box. If it is not there, please contact us to make sure we have the correct Email address for you.

You can check all your details on your 'Parent Portal' at any time.

To check your Invoices, update any personal details and make sure we have the correct information at all times, this is the site you will need;

Parent Portal site: <https://www.smartcentral.net/v2/home>

Username: is your Email

Password: is your Mobile Number

POLICIES UP FOR REVIEW IN MAY:

Administration of First Aid Policy, Excursions/Incursions Policy, Nutrition and Food Safety Policy, Behaviour Guidance Policy, Interaction with Children, Family and Staff Policy, Payment of Fees Policy & Professional Development Policy.

NOTE: All Policies are available at the OSHC Service for parents to view and add input before the end of the review month.

Lisa, Elisabeth, Hailey, Isla & Ashlee - (OSHC Staff)

Timbarra Fundraising Group
Second Hand Uniform Stall

Our second hand uniform shop is open fortnightly at 2.30pm-
3.10pm in the Learning Common.

Tuesday 31st May

PREP P 'HALF DAY' PARTY



Each day, the Prep cohort come together to count and record how many days we have been at school. This week on the 11th of May, we achieved our half way milestone to the highly anticipated 100 DAYS OF SCHOOL.



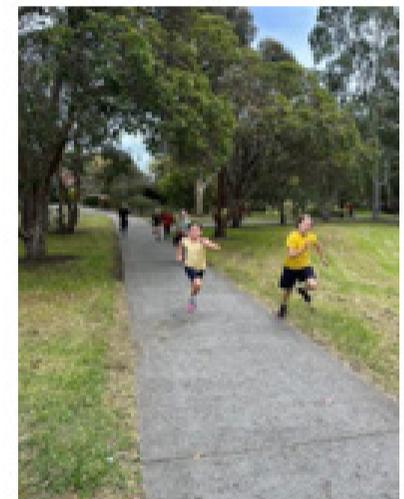
"My favourite part was decorating the cupcakes in halves." Isabelle

"I think this is the best day of my life!" Harry



PRIMARY CROSS COUNTRY

On Thursday 12th May, the students in Year 3-6 participated in the Primary Cross Country. The new track that took them outside the school was an exciting and enjoyable challenge. Our fantastic students showed their persistence and determination to finish the race and earn points for their house. Congratulations to all of our place getters. Thank you to all of the staff who helped around the track and back at school and to Jordan and Mitchell, our Year 8 students who guided the students. Good luck to all of the students who are moving onto the District competition.



EDUCATION WEEK

Monday 23rd of May - Friday 27th of May

In celebration of education week, we invite parents and friends to come and join in your child's learning journey. Marking 150 years of public education in Victoria, students will engage in Literacy and Numeracy activities that will inspire the future of education.

	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
9.15 - 10.00		★		PERFORMING ARTS 30 Learning Areas Primary Music Room	LOTE 6Y Learning Area 25
10.00 - 10.45		YEAR 1 READING Learning Areas 1 & 2	YEAR 6 LITERACY Learning Area BER	YEAR 2 NUMERACY Learning Areas 5 & 6	★ PREP WRITING Learning Areas 3 & 4
11.45 - 12.40	YEAR 4 NUMERACY Learning Areas 7 & 8	★	YEAR 3 NUMERACY Learning Areas 11, 12 & 13	VISUAL ARTS PREP M Learning Area Primary Art Room	
12.40 - 1.30				YEAR 5 NUMERACY Learning Areas 9, 10 & 14	★ SPORT 5W Learning Area Stadium

Mother's Day Raffle - 2022					
Prize	Name	Home Group	Prize	Name	Home Group
1	Millicent	2M	23	Miller	1M
2	Declan	6Y	24	Quinten	2A
3	Karolina	6W	25	Lucas	5W
4	Colquhoun Family		26	Valerie	2A
5	Aryan	2A	27	Jayden	6W
6	Louisse	7R	28	Molly	3M
7	Amy	3C	29	Violet	3C
8	Darcie	5M	30	Brody	5M
9	Jensen	6Y	31	Lily	3C
10	Sahara	1S	32	Liliana	5A
11	Josh	3M	33	Zarleah	Prep P
12	Emraan	2A	34	Aston	5A
13	Sebastian	4R	35	Jett	6Y
14	Lucy	3C	36	Cruze	5M
15	Isabelle	Prep P	37	Jaxon	Prep P
16	Xavier	2A	38	Eloise	1S
17	Patrick	4R	39	Chloe	7R
18	Josh	4R	40	Zahra	1M
19	Ariane	1S	41	Zoe	7R
20	Cody	Prep P	42	Roger	2A
21	Gemma	5M	43	Chloe	5A
22	Andi	Prep P			



2022 schedule

eSafety's free webinars provide parents and carers with the knowledge, skills and tools to support children to have safe, positive online experiences.

Our live webinars for parents and carers attracted record attendance numbers in 2021. To meet the growing demand, our education and training team is expanding the program in 2022 to include more dates and topics to support school communities.

Each month, we will present either a new webinar topic or a video with simple tips to keep young people safe online.

2022 Parent and carer education topic schedule

<p>January</p> <p>Can't make it to a webinar? You can watch this short video on Cyberbullying and online drama. (Suitable for parents and carers of young people aged 11 to 18 years old).</p>	<p>February</p> <p>Webinar: Helping kids thrive online (Suitable for parents and carers of young people aged 5 to 12 years old).</p> <p>8th February – Safer Internet Day 2022 #SID22</p>	<p>March</p> <p>Webinar: Cyberbullying and online drama (Suitable for parents and carers of young people aged 11 to 18 years old).</p>
<p>April</p> <p>Can't make it to a webinar? You can watch this short video on Online sexual harassment and image-based abuse. (Suitable for parents and carers of young people aged 13 to 18 years old).</p>	<p>May</p> <p>Webinar: Parental controls (Suitable for parents and carers of young people aged 4 to 13 years old).</p>	<p>June</p> <p>Webinar: Online gaming (Suitable for parents and carers of young people aged 13 to 18 years old).</p>
<p>July</p> <p>Can't make it to a webinar? You can watch this short video on Parental controls. (Suitable for parents and carers of young people aged 4 to 13 years old).</p>	<p>August</p> <p>Webinar: Popular apps (Suitable for parents and carers of young people aged 13 to 18 years old).</p>	<p>September</p> <p>Webinar: Online sexual harassment and image-based abuse (Suitable for parents and carers of young people aged 13 to 18 years old).</p> <p>National Child Protection Week #NCPW22</p>
<p>October</p> <p>Webinar: Digital technologies and mental health (Suitable for parents and carers of young people aged 10 to 18 years old).</p>	<p>November</p> <p>Webinar: Guide to the holidays (Suitable for parents and carers of young people aged 8 to 13 years old).</p>	<p>December</p> <p>It's December! You can check out our annual Gift Guide here.</p>

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