

Timbarra P-9 College Newsletter

Important Dates

December

Mon 19 - Secondary Gumbuya World Excursion

Tues 20 - Last Day Term 4, 2.30pm Finish

January 2023

Mon 30 - First Day Term 1

Message from the Principal

Dear Parents and Carers

Congratulations to all students on completing the 2022 school year. It has certainly been fantastic to return to a full year of on-site teaching and learning. Thank you for your continued support during the year and we look forward to continuing our strong home/school partnership in 2023.

The following is a summary of College organisation for 2023, recognition of our graduating students in Years 6 and Year 9, and recognition of awards/ excellent achievements by students during 2022. Also, a staffing update for 2023.

Primary Students:

Formal Awards and Year 6 Graduation took place on Tuesday December 6th, 2022. Congratulations to our Year 6 Graduates, we wish you all the very best as they begin their Secondary school journey.

Congratulations to the following students receiving awards for 2022:

Digi Tech:	Joshua Scott
You Can Do It:	Jaeda Taylo
Community Spirit and Leadership:	Ahora Davoodi Kia
Performing Arts:	Ava Threw
Visual Arts:	Shanae Whitehead
Sport:	Harry Johnson
Numeracy:	Ahiyaan Anaz
Literacy:	Sarah Mc Niece
ACE Citizenship Awards:	Daniel Jacob, Kurt Hodges, Mitchell Kight

DUX Award: Academic Excellence

Year 6: Hamish Langham

Gail Potts Award:

Congratulations to Aiden Percival (Citizenship Award: Year 6) and Brody Lang (Encouragement Award: Year 5) the worthy winners of the annual "Gail Potts, Memorial" awards for 2022. This annual presentation is of special significance to our school community. The honour board hangs proudly in our Reception area and has become a tradition at our College dating back to 2001.

Secondary Students:

Formal Awards and Year 9 Graduation took place on Friday December 9th, 2022. Congratulations to our Year 9 Graduates, we wish you all the very best for your Senior Years of Schooling.

Principal's Award:

Congratulations to Kaylee Wirski for receiving the 2022 Principal's Award for her outstanding contribution to the values of Timbarra P-9 College over the past three years. This annual presentation is of special significance to our school community. The honour board hangs proudly in our Reception area and has also become a tradition at our College dating back to 2011.

Congratulations to the following students on receiving the DUX and Student Citizenship 2020 awards:

DUX for Academic Excellence	Student Citizenship
Year 9: Elizabeth Goh	Year 9: Melanie Brewer
Year 8: Chloe Meddis	Year 8: Mitchell Rice
Year 7: Alexei Gunton	Year 7: Shenaya Mazezy

ACE Foundation Citizenship Award:

Year 9: Ruby Porter-Bankuti
Year 8: Ivy Cromie
Year 7: Tahnie Scheurer

Community Spirit and Leadership Award Year 9:

Alora Palfreyman

Student Leadership Team

Thank you to the Primary and Secondary Student Leadership Teams:

Primary School Captains: Hamish Langham and Ava Captan
Vice Captains: Archer Byers and Harleen Kaur

Secondary College Captains: Zylah Mooney and Mason Wheare
Vice Captains: Lily Whibley and Manni David

All of these students have represented our College with great pride this year. Together with the House Captains and Vice Captains, Academy Captains, SRC Captains, Art, Music, and Library Captains they have all been excellent role models and ambassadors for Timbarra College throughout the year.

Thank you

I would like to sincerely thank all members of our 2022 Senior Leadership Team, Cassandra Marinopoulos, Adele Walker, Assunta Mancini, Skye Blyth (Term 4) (Assistant Principals), Sue Marandawela (Business Manager) Debbie Westhead and Adele Murtagh (Learning Specialist) Kara Bell (Student Wellbeing/Youth Worker) for their commitment, hard work and dedication to our students, staff and community throughout 2022. Thank you also to the Administrative staff Maura Conroy, Kelsea Steel, Kathy Kouniakakis and Bernadette Gubbins who are always smiling and work tirelessly to ensure our College administration runs smoothly each day.

I would also like to sincerely thank all of our wonderful staff for their hard work and commitment to their classes and community during 2022. We are extremely fortunate to have a group of dedicated, caring professionals who are passionate about making a difference to the students in their care. Thank you also to our parent/guardian community and our students for your ongoing commitment to our College. It has been another very busy year; we have much to celebrate as the year draws to an end.

To all members of School Council, Timbarra Fundraising Group, students, and parents/guardians thank you all for your hard work during 2022. We strongly believe the education of your child/children is a team effort and the home/school partnership continues to be an integral and important part of our College culture and highly valued at our College. Thank you for your ongoing support during the year.

Staffing Update

The following staff members will be leaving Timbarra

•Ms Kim Orchard:

On behalf of our community I would like to thank Kim for her fourteen years of dedicated teaching to our students. Kim has taught across many year levels and she has made a considerable contribution in the lives of many students. We wish you all the very best at your new school Kim.

•Bernadette Gubbins:

We thank Bernadette for her five years of hard work and always caring for our students when they required assistance in sick bay, we will miss her kind smile every day. We wish Bernadette all the very best in her well-deserved retirement.

•Nina Marucchi:

Thank you, Nina, for your dedication to your students and our College over the past two years. We wish you all the very best at your new school.

•Ben Closter:

Thank you, Ben, for your dedication to teaching Humanities this year. We wish you all the very best at your new school.

•Chelsey Kitchen:

Thank you, Chelsey, for your contribution to our Education Support program over the past four years. We wish you all the very best as you pursue your passion in the area of speech therapy.

•Skye Blyth

Thank you, Skye, for all your hard work and support as Acting Assistant Principal during Term 4. We wish you all the very best as you return to your Regional position.

- We welcome Ms Rebekah Nicholas as a Leading Teacher (Teaching & Learning P-9) to our Leadership Team and English faculty in 2023.
- We welcome Ms Kealeigh Brown to our PE/ Health faculty. Kealeigh is a past pupil of Timbarra it is wonderful to have her join our teaching team.

A reminder that school finishes for all students at 2.30pm on Tuesday December 20th, 2022. We look forward to seeing students in Years 1-9 back at school on Monday January 30th, 2023. Prep students will have received their individual letters with interview times on Monday January 30th, 2023.

As you are aware from my update last week, I am retiring in the new year. Thank you to all those who have called, emailed, dropped in and those who caught up with me at the Timbarra Community Carnival, your well wishes are both humbling and greatly appreciated. I will come back for a more formal farewell towards the end of February when my official retirement begins. As I said last week my time at Timbarra has been so rewarding and gone in the blink of an eye.

I wish everyone a wonderful festive season and a very safe and happy holiday.

Jan Adamson
Principal

OSHC Updates

OSHC Phone Number: 9 705 7400

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.

INVOICES – ALL FEES TO BE PAID UP BEFORE THE END OF TERM 4 2022

The next OSHC Invoice will be sent via Email to you on;

Monday, 19th December 2022 – Please remember that Fees are due the week you receive your Invoice.

IMPORTANT: - 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 DECEMBER

Out of Hours Babysitting Policy, Road Safety Policy, Code of Conduct Policy, Behaviour Guidance Bullying Policy, Record Keeping Policy, Management Committee Policy, Relief Staff Policy & Writing Review and Maintaining Policies Policy.

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

WE HOPE YOU ALL HAVE A SAFE AND WONDERFUL CHRISTMAS AND NEW YEAR WITH YOUR FAMILY AND FRIENDS AND WE LOOK FORWARD TO A FUN AND JOY FILLED 2023!

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

2022 Secondary School Awards

Congratulations to our 2022 award winners.

DUX

Year 7 - Alexei Gunton

Year 8 - Chloe Meddis

Year 9 - Elizabeth Goh

CITIZENSHIP

Year 7 - Shenaya Mazey

Year 8 - Mitchell Rice

Year 9 - Melanie Brewer

ACE AWARD

Year 7 - Tahnje Scheurer

Year 8 - Ivy Cromie

Year 9 - Ruby Porter-Bankuti

COMMUNITY SPIRIT AWARD

Alora Palfreyman

SCHOOL CAPTAINS

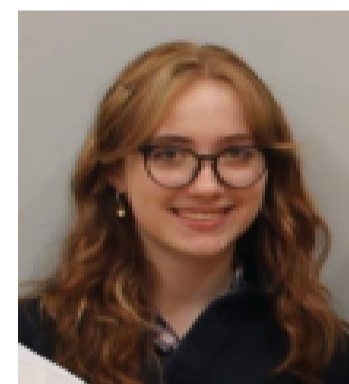
Zylah Mooney

Mason Wheare

PRINCIPAL'S AWARD

Kaylee Wirski

Today the students, staff and members of the school community gathered to celebrate the outstanding achievements of our secondary school students. Term 4 subject awards for Academic Excellence and Effort and Achievement were presented, along with our 2022 Perpetual Awards. We also farewelled our Class of 2022 Year 9 students and wish them all the best for their upcoming senior years of schooling.

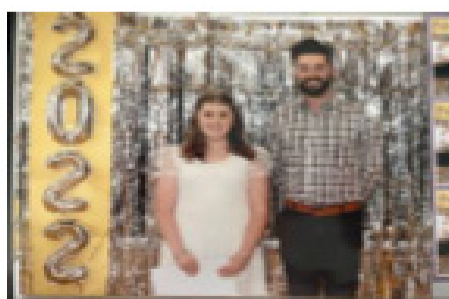
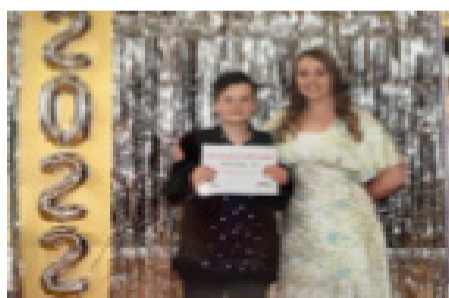
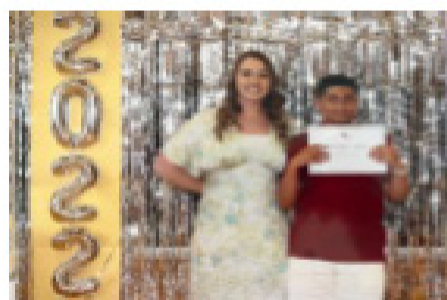
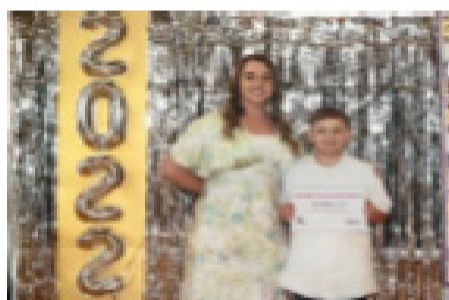




CLASS OF 2022

year 6 graduation

Congratulations to all of our Year 6 students on the completion of their primary school years. We hope it has been a year to remember! A special congratulations to Harry J, Ava T, Shanae, Josh, Jaeda, Daniel, Kurt, Mitchell, Ahiyaan, Sarah, Ahora and Hamish on receiving awards on the night.



COLOUR EXPLOSION DAY 2022



It was fun seeing everyone full of colour. I loved the sweat bands and the sunnies. Ava 6Y



The Secondary kids sprayed the colour all over us. We were all so colourful. Akshay 1M

It was a memorable experience. We loved the trampoline the most. Dylan 7R



I loved all the running and I got really dirty! The balancing was my favourite. Jaxon Prep P

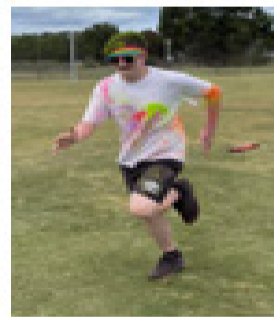
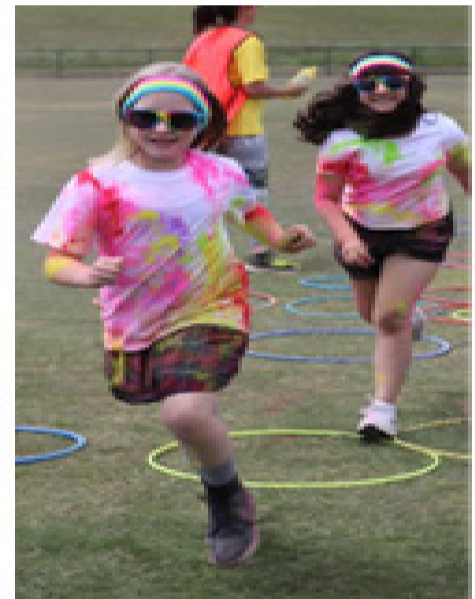


The crazy colours were everywhere! 3C

It was a great experience to do something so fun as a whole school. Wes 5A



It was crazy! We were all screaming with excitement. I loved the trampoline! Jovana 2A



Congratulations to the all students who raised money for the Colour Explosion Fun Run. Together you raised a total of \$8388.80!

Community Carnival

2022

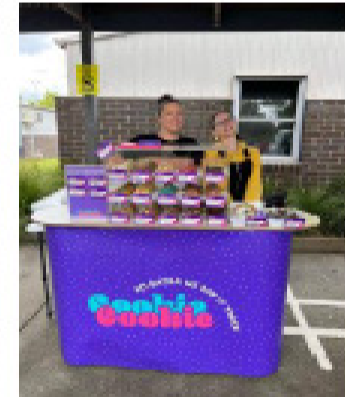
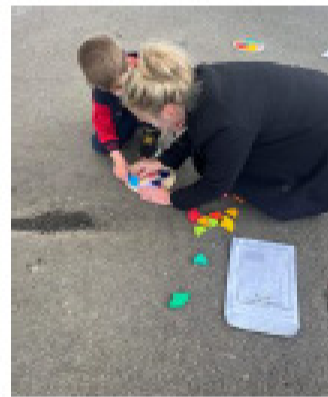
On the 14th of December, our College welcomed all members of our community to participate in our first inaugural Community Carnival! Students and their friends and families enjoyed sweet treats, wonderful market stalls, great hits by our College bands and even put their skills to the test in the Amazing Race!



Caitlyn 6W
Winner of the Amazing Race Timbarra



Ava 2M
Winner of Guess Who!



'Better Together'

College Organisation 2023

Leadership Team

<u>Acting Principal:</u>	Ms. Cassandra Marinopoulos
<u>Assistant Principal</u>	Ms. Adele Walker (Teaching & Learning P-9)
<u>Acting Assistant Principal</u>	Mr. Kyle Sleep (Daily Org/ICT/Facilities/Wellbeing)
<u>Business Manager</u>	Ms Sue Marandawela
<u>Leading Teacher</u>	Ms Rebekah Nicholas (Teaching & Learning P-9)
<u>Learning Specialist:</u>	Ms Assunta Mancini (Programs for Students with Disabilities and Support Programs Coordinator Manager) Ms. Debbie Westhead (Literacy Leader) Ms Adel Murtagh (Numeracy Leader)
<u>Student Wellbeing</u>	Ms Kara Bell (Youth Worker) Mr Tom Andrews

Specialist Programs: Primary School

• Visual Arts	Mr Peter Crowe
• Performing Arts	Ms Julie Sullivan, Mr Eric Stock and Mr Matt Di Nardo (Yr. 6)
• Physical Education	Mr. Stefan Ciccarelli and Ms Kealeigh Brown
• STEAM	Ms Aimee Maddocks, Ms Joanne Steiger (Science, Technology, Engineering, Arts, Maths)
• Tutoring Program (P-9)	Ms Arty Tzortzoglou, Mr John Chisswell, Ms Kate Mohan, Ms Sarah Kalpin

In line with Department of Education and Training Digital, class teachers will take technologies.

Teaching & Learning Team Years 7-9 2023

• English/ Humanities	Mr Daniel Mastrolembo (English only) Mr Guy Kerridge, Mr Jacob O'Riley, Ms Rebekah Nicholas, Mr Matt Di Nardo (Humanities only)
• Visual Arts/Design	Ms Rebecca Geddes,
• Music/Instrumental	Mr Eric Stock, Mr Matt Di Nardo
• Food Technology/Hospitality	Ms Natalie Hill
• Digital Technology	Mr. Michael Molinia
• STEAM	Mr Michael Molinia Mr Leigh Pace, Ms Annie Vo, Ms Lauren Griffith, Ms Joanne Steiger
• Physical Education/Outdoor Ed. /Health	Mr. Kyle Sleep, Mr. Tom Andrews, Ms. Morgan Yarwood, Ms Jacqui Williams
• Indonesian	Ms Samantha Irawan, Ms Astuti Harris
• Sports Science	Mr Tom Andrews
• Media/Photography/Textiles	Ms Tam Brown
• Forensic Science	Ms Lauren Griffith

Timbarra Academies:

Coordinator Sport: Mr Kyle Sleep

Coaches:

Soccer-:	Lou Kastner
Netball-:	Sara Duncan
Basketball:	Nick Mihai
AFL Football:	Dean Rice
Martial Arts:	Tom Andrews

Coordinator Music: Mr Eric Stock

Coordinator STEAM: Ms Lauren Griffith

Learning Neighbourhoods

2	Prep	Classes
2	Year 1	Classes
2	Year 2	Classes
2	Year 3	Classes
3	Year 4	Classes
2	Year 5	Classes
3	Year 6	Classes
3	Year 7	Homerooms
4	Year 8	Homerooms
2	Year 9	Homerooms

Education Support Staff:

Administration Support: Ms Maura Conroy Ms Kelsea Heddles Ms Kathy Kouniakis

College Nurse: TBC

College Grounds and Maintenance: Mr Peter Coleman

ICT Manager/Support: Mr Pramodh Ganeshan

Resource Centre Manager Mrs Margaret Waite

Food Technology Support: Ms Lynda Hand

Literacy Support: Ms Andrea Moring

Education Support: Mr Hayden Steel Ms Lisa Bradbury Ms Emily Fathers