

Timbarra P-9 College Newsletter

Important Dates

February

Tues 21 - Year 8 Casey Tech Excursion
- Year 7 Immunisations
Thurs 23 - Year 9 Volleyball

March

Fri 3 - Year 7-8 Volleyball
Tues 7 - Secondary Division Swimming
Wed 8 - Parent Helper Information Session
Thurs 9 - School Photo Day
Mon 13 - Labour Day Public Holiday
Tues 14 - Year 6 Scienceworks Excursion

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

Dear parents and carers,

We have had a great start to the school year. Our Preps and new students have settled in very well and their enthusiasm is very contagious! Our new members of staff have also settled in well and have embraced our learning community.

2023 TIMBARRA P-9 SCHOOL CAPTAINS

I am happy to announce our 2023 School Captains – Mitchell Rice and Chloe Meddis as well as our Vice Captains – Oscar Turner and Leia Ricci. I would like to congratulate those students who wrote and delivered captaincy speeches in front of their peers. It was a courageous undertaking! The next step will be determining our House Captains and members of the Student Representative Council. Good luck to all applicants.

COUNCIL ELECTIONS

Council Election information has been sent to our school community. I am grateful for the membership and service of all the council members. Together with the staff, parents and students, they play a significant part in building this wonderful school and its culture. I look forward to inducting our new members at our AGM on Wednesday, 22nd of March.

CURRICULUM DAY

Please be aware that we have a Curriculum (student free) Day scheduled for Friday, 31st of March. Staff will be undertaking Berry Street Educational Model professional learning over the course of the day. This will be the third of four modules that make up the suite. If you would like to learn more about the Berry Street Educational Model, please follow this link: [Berry Street Education Model \(BSEM\) | Berry Street](#)

FUNDRAISING

On Wednesday, I met with two representatives of the College's Fundraising committee to discuss funds raised in 2022 and upcoming events. We also discussed ways that funds may be used to purchase resources for our students, develop facilities and improve the school grounds. In order to successfully run events, the committee would like to invite members of the community to volunteer. Please contact the office on 9704 2744, if you would like to provide your assistance!

COMMUNICATION

At Timbarra, we have a number of ways that we communicate with our community. These include: our regularly published newsletter, Compass, and Facebook. This is in addition to targeted communication from members of the leadership team. We encourage you to check Compass regularly and read the school newsletter as both modes of communication contain important information.

To ensure that you are aware of upcoming school events, a special post will be made each Friday outlining the following week's events. This will commence on Friday, 24th of February.

The College has engaged a publicity and marketing company to develop a new website for the College. We are currently working on the 'shell' of the website with the aim of having the completed website go 'live' at the beginning of Term 2. A key feature of the website will be a Virtual 360 tour of the College that was filmed towards the end of last year. Please follow the link to have an inside look of our wonderful College: [Timbarra P-9 College - Virtual Tour \(venue3d.com.au\)](https://venue3d.com.au)

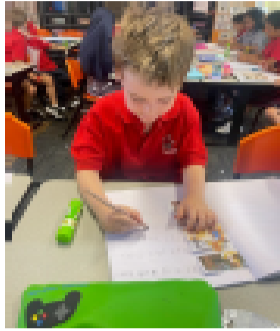
CHANGE OF DETAILS

As we embark on the new school year, it is important that any changes to personal details, including any medical updates, change of address and phone numbers and emergency contacts are communicated to our office staff.

Kind regards,
Cassandra

This week in Year 1...

Reading and Writing



I liked writing about the holidays. Zarleah
We read The Gingerbread Man, I liked putting the pictures in order. Mason
The hippopotamus was getting sunburnt because he didn't put sunscreen on. I liked that book. Brodie



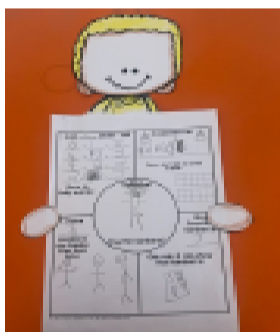
Reading books is fun. Maximus



I like writing a recount about how to brush my teeth. Quinn



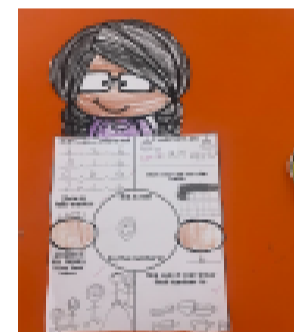
Maths



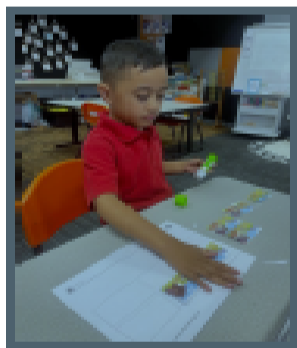
We played a game called Collecting Gold. I liked it because I won. Isabelle

I liked building towers in our maths game Willow

We made a Numbers About Me poster. Jackson



We played a maths game. We had to take turns rolling the dice. I liked playing with my friends. Sayumi



IBL Being Sun Smart

Being Sun Smart is good. You put a hat on, and sunscreen, so you don't get burnt. Eli

I made a poster about being Sun Smart. Prisha



WELCOME BACK TO ANOTHER EXCITING YEAR OF LEARNING AT TIMBARRA.

Let's Talk Literacy

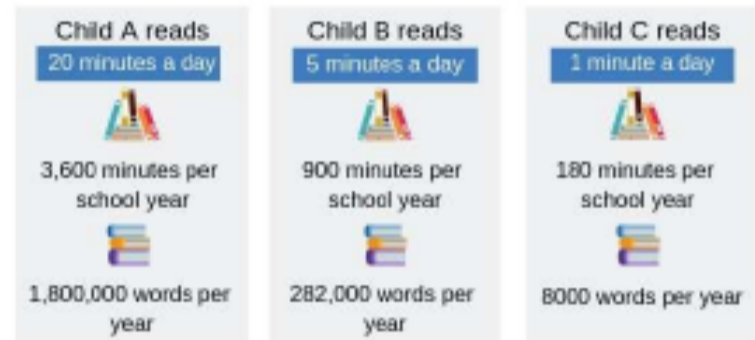
20 Minutes a Day. Why This So Important?

Reading is an amazing pass-time activity or can be a great tool for self-development. Whether you're reading for entertainment purposes or studying to acquire a new skill or to gather information about a certain topic, your time is very well-spent when reading.

7 Benefits of 20 Minutes of Daily Reading

- By reading 20 minutes a day, you expose yourself to 1.8 million words in a year.
- Reading can relieve stress by 68% in a lot less than 20 minutes.
- Taking 20 minutes to read every day can boost mental health.
- Reading slows down mental decline in late stages of life.
- Reading 20 minutes before bed can alleviate insomnia.
- Both children and adults who read have higher levels of empathy and emotional intelligence.
- Children who read 20 minutes a day score in the 90th percentile.

Why read 20-mins at home?



Math Matters

Research shows that parents have the most significant impact on their child's learning and development. Research tells us that children have an innate capacity for number sense. Having a growth mindset attitude toward math at home, can help reduce any anxiety they may have toward math. Developing mathematical skills is a key to preparing your child for everyday life, including financial management, cooking capabilities and problem solving!

SOLVE PROBLEMS
ANALYZE DATA
EXPLAIN THEIR THINKING
CHECK THEIR WORK
PERSEVERE
MAKE MODELS
USE APPROPRIATE TOOLS
THINK ABSTRACTLY
MAKE CONNECTIONS
ATTEND TO PRECISION
THINK CRITICALLY
FIND PATTERNS
APPLY PRIOR KNOWLEDGE
ESTIMATE

How you can help your child to be a mathematician at home

- Cook with them, allowing them to measure out ingredients
- Play board games like Monopoly, Connect Four, Guess Who and Cleudo
- Find shapes in the environment
- Play games like Eye Spy, Paddocks, the number plate game and Charades
- Ask HOW and WHY questions
- Allow them to help with the weekly shopping
- Provide puzzles and brainteasers to explore and complete
- Count everything!
- Let them help work out the daily schedule
- Allow them to make simple choices and explain their reasoning
- Allow time to complete Mathletics and Matific tasks

Literacy and Numeracy Parent Information Session 2023

The session provides a general understanding of how children learn to read and write and the importance of speaking and listening in their literacy skills acquisition. It will describe the differences between mathematics and numeracy and the importance of each. The session also provides ideas for how to assist your child in their acquisition of numeracy skills at home. At the completion of the session, attendees will have a strong understanding of how to be an effective, positive and supportive participant in their child's learning journey.

This information session will run Wednesday the 8th of March 2023, 6.00pm – 7.00pm, at the front office.

Literacy and Numeracy Parent Helpers Session 2023

If you would like to assist in the classroom during the Literacy and/or Numeracy block, this session needs to be completed.

It is essential to attend the above information session first and stay for the additional 30 minutes to complete the Parent Helpers Session. It is also a requirement that those people wishing to help in the classroom have a current Working with Children Check.

This helpers session therefore will run on Wednesday the 8th of March 2023, 7.00pm – 7.30pm, at the front office

We are excited to be able to welcome parent helpers back into our classrooms again this year. This term there is an opportunity for parents/guardians to participate in our Literacy and Numeracy Classroom Helpers Session. This is a great way for you to be involved in your child's education at school in addition to the information you will receive in the Parent Information Session to help your child at home. If you have time during the week on a regular basis and wish to support your child's class in their Literacy and Numeracy program or you just want to increase your own personal knowledge on how to help your child at home, then you are invited to join us on Wednesday 8th March to gain your Literacy and Numeracy Classroom Helpers certificate.

Please choose one of the following methods to book a place and choose a session preference.

1. Print and complete this form and return it to your child's classroom teacher.
2. Phone the office on 9704 2744 and leave your details and preference.
3. Email the school at Timbarra.p9@education.vic.gov.au and leave your details and preference.

Kind Regards,

Adel Murtagh (Numeracy Learning Specialist) and Debbie Westhead (Literacy Learning Specialist)

Literacy and Numeracy Information and Helpers Sessions
Please return by Wednesday 1st March

Child's Name: _____ Child's Class: _____

Parent's Name: _____

Date: Wednesday 8th March 2023

Location: Front Office

- Option 1:** I would like to attend the Parent Information Session 6.00-7.00pm
- Option 2:** I would like to become a Parent Helper 6.00-7.30pm

We are the difference

Our school collects, uses, discloses and stores student and parent personal information for standard school functions or where permitted by law, as stated in the Schools' Privacy Policy.

Please take time to remind yourself of the school's collection statement, found on our website www.timbarrap9.vic.edu.au/policies

For more information about privacy, refer to: Schools' Privacy Policy — information for parents. This information is also available in nine community languages:

- Amharic
- Arabic
- Dari
- Mandarin
- Somali
- Sudanese
- Turkish
- Urdu
- Vietnamese.

PRIMARY SCHOOL PRIVACY INFORMATION for parents and carers

During the ordinary course of your child's attendance at our school, school staff will collect your child's personal and health information when necessary to educate your child, or to support your child's social and emotional wellbeing or health in the school context. Such information will also be collected when required to fulfil a legal obligation, including duty of care, anti-discrimination law and occupational health and safety law. If that information is not collected, the school may be unable to provide optimal education or support to your child, or fulfil those legal obligations.

For example, health information may be collected through the school nurse, primary welfare officer or wellbeing staff member. If your child is referred to a specific health service at school, such as a Student Support Services officer, the required consent will be obtained. Our school also collects information provided by parents and carers through the School Entrance Health Questionnaire (SEHQ) and the Early Childhood Intervention Service (ECIS) Transition Form.

Our school may use online tools, such as apps and other software, to effectively collect and manage information about your child for teaching and learning purposes, parent communication and engagement; student administration; and school management purposes. When our school uses these online tools, we take steps to ensure that your child's information is secure. If you have any concerns about the use of these online tools, please contact us. School staff will only share your child's personal or health information with other staff who need to know to enable the school to educate or support your child, or fulfil a legal obligation.

When our students transfer to another Victorian government school, personal and health information about that student will be transferred to that next school. Transferring this information is in the best interests of our students and assists that next school to provide optimal education and support to students.

In some limited circumstances, information may be disclosed outside of the school (and outside of the Department of Education and Training). The school will seek your consent for such disclosures unless the disclosure is allowed or mandated by law.

Our school values the privacy of every person. When collecting and managing personal and health information, all school staff must comply with Victorian privacy law. For more information about privacy including about how to access personal and health information held by the school about you or your child, see our school's privacy policy: <https://www.education.vic.gov.au/Pages/schoolsprivacypolicy.aspx>

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SECONDARY SCHOOL ENROLMENT PRIVACY COLLECTION STATEMENT

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JOIN THE CHOIR



- **JUNIOR CHOIR (P - GRADE 3)**
- **INTERMEDIATE CHOIR (GRADES 4 - 6)**
- **SENIOR CHOIR (YEARS 7 - 9)**

Students have the opportunity of participating in one of three choirs in 2023:

Junior Choir (P – Grade 3)
Intermediate Choir (Grade 4 – Grade 6)
Senior Choir (Years 7 – 9).

Junior Choir (P – Grade 3)
Who with? Mrs. Sullivan
Where? Primary Music Classroom
When? Thursdays during recess

Intermediate Choir (Grade 4 – Grade 6)
Who with? Ms. Assetta
Where? Secondary Music Classroom
When? Fridays during recess

Senior Choir (Years 7 – 9)
Who with? Ms. Assetta
Where? Secondary Music Classroom
When? Fridays during lunchtime

TIMBARRA P-9 COLLEGE DIARY DATES TERM 1, 2023

	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
Week 1	<u>30th January</u> First Day Term 1	<u>31st February</u>	<u>1st</u>	<u>2nd</u>	<u>3rd</u>
Week 2	<u>6th</u>	<u>7th</u> Second Hand Uniform Shop 2.15-3.00pm	<u>8th</u>	<u>9th</u>	<u>10th</u>
Week 3	<u>13th</u>	<u>14th</u> Getting to Know You Interviews	<u>15th</u>	<u>16th</u>	<u>17th</u> <small>NEWSLETTER</small>
Week 4	<u>20th</u> Primary District Swimming	<u>21st</u> Year 8 Casey Tech Year 7 Immunisations Second Hand Uniform Shop 2.15-3.00pm	<u>22nd</u>	<u>23rd</u> SSV Year 9 & Girls Volleyball	<u>24th</u>
Week 5	<u>27th</u>	<u>28th</u>	<u>1st March</u>	<u>2nd</u>	<u>3rd</u> Year 7-8 Boys & Girls Volleyball
Week 6	<u>6th</u>	<u>7th</u> Secondary Division Swimming Second Hand Uniform Shop 2.15-3.00pm	<u>8th</u> Parent Helper Course Parent Helper Information Session Primary Division Swimming	<u>9th</u> School Photos	<u>10th</u>
Week 7	<u>13th</u> Labour Day Public Holiday	<u>14th</u> Year 6 Spiralworks Excursion	<u>15th</u>	<u>16th</u>	<u>17th</u> <small>NEWSLETTER</small>
Week 8	<u>20th</u>	<u>21st</u> World Math Day Second Hand Uniform Shop 2.15.-3.00pm	<u>22nd</u>	<u>23rd</u>	<u>24th</u> Secondary Athletics Day
Week 9	<u>27th</u> Outdoor Ed Camp	<u>28th</u> Outdoor Ed Camp	<u>29th</u> Outdoor Ed Camp Primary Lightning Premiership	<u>30th</u>	<u>31st</u> CURRICULUM DAY – NO STUDENT'S REQUIRED AT SCHOOL
Week 10	<u>3rd April</u> Primary Athletics Day	<u>4th</u> Second Hand Uniform Shop 2.15-3.00pm	<u>5th</u> Prep 2024 Parent Information Session 2:15pm – 3:0pm	<u>6th</u> LAST DAY TERM 1, 2.50PM FINISH	<u>7th</u> GOOD FRIDAY

*Please note the Diary Dates are subject to change

BELLBROOK CATERING



Timbarra P-9 College

Open Wednesday and Friday

Lunches must be ordered online through Qkr!

HEARTY HOT FOOD

Lasagne 97% fat free	\$5.80	⊕⊕⊕
Macaroni Cheese 97% fat free	\$5.80	⊕⊕⊕
Vegetarian Fried Rice 97% fat free	\$5.80	⊕⊕⊕V
Dim Sims Steamed	\$1.50	⊕⊕⊕
Chicken crumbed tender	\$2.50	⊕⊕GF
Hot Dog	\$4.20	⊕⊕
Hot Noodles Beef or Chicken	\$3.50	⊕⊕
Beef Cheese Burger with Lettuce and Sauce	\$6.00	⊕⊕⊕
Chicken and Cheese Burger with Lettuce & Mayo	\$6.00	⊕⊕⊕
Gluten Free Hot Dog (no roll)	\$3.50	⊕⊕GF
Chicken Breast Nugget - Bag of 3	\$4.00	⊕⊕
Chicken Breast Nugget - Bag of 6	\$7.00	⊕⊕
Corn Cobbette	\$1.50	⊕⊕⊕
Lite N Up Beef Pie	\$5.80	⊕⊕
Lite N Up Sausage Roll	\$5.20	⊕⊕
Lite N Up Snack Party Pie	\$1.40	⊕⊕
Potato Wedges (Sour Cream 0.50c)	\$5.00	⊕⊕ V
Oven Baked Potato Cake (recess only)	\$1.50	⊕⊕

Ordering on-line is available through QKR
Download the App through the App store or Google Play

TASTY JAFFLES

Baked Bean and Cheese	\$4.50	⊕⊕⊕ V
Spaghetti	\$4.00	⊕⊕⊕ V
Cheese	\$4.00	⊕⊕⊕ V
Ham and Cheese	\$5.00	⊕⊕⊕

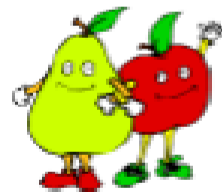
Preferred Payment Method



SPECIAL SNACKS

Popcorn, Butter, Cheese or Slightly Sweet	\$1.80	⊕⊕GF
Red Rock Chips Honey/Soy	\$1.80	⊕⊕
Choc Chip Cookies	\$2.80	⊕⊕
Gingerbread	\$2.00	⊕⊕
Ovalteenies	\$1.30	⊕⊕
Yoghurt Frogs (5 for \$1.00)	\$1.00	⊕⊕
Homemade Mini Muffin	\$1.20	⊕⊕
Fruit Salad Cup	\$2.30	⊕⊕⊕GF
Jelly Cup with Fruit	\$2.00	⊕⊕⊕GF

- ⊕⊕⊕ Every Day Foods
- ⊕⊕ Select Carefully foods
- V Denotes Vegetarian
- GF Denotes Gluten Free.



SUPER SANDWICHES AND SALADS

		Sandwich	
Vegemite	\$2.40	⊕⊕⊕ V	
Cheese	\$2.60	⊕⊕⊕ V	
Ham (97% fat free)	\$3.50	⊕⊕	
Ham (97% fat free) and Salad	\$5.00	⊕⊕	
Ham & Cheese	\$4.40	⊕⊕	
Roast Chicken	\$4.40	⊕⊕⊕	
Roast Chicken & Salad	\$5.20	⊕⊕⊕	
Fresh Salad (lettuce, cucumber, tomato, carrot)	\$4.40	⊕⊕⊕ V	
Egg & Lettuce	\$3.50	⊕⊕⊕ V	
Rolls or Wraps extra	\$0.80		
All sandwiches on wholemeal bread White bread available on request			
FRESH MADE SALAD BOXES			
Mixed Salad (lettuce, cucumber, tomato, cheese, carrot)	\$5.00 Regular	⊕⊕⊕GF	
Add beetroot	\$0.50		
Add egg	\$1.00		
Add Chicken or Ham	\$1.20		

EXTRAS

Salad Dressing Tub	\$0.50	⊕⊕
Tomato Sauce	\$0.40	⊕⊕
LUNCH BAGS	\$0.30	

This menu has been categorised by Nutrition Australia as a guide to encourage healthy choices

DRINKS

250ml Water	\$1.60	⊕⊕⊕GF
600ml Water	\$3.00	
250ml Milk (Reduced Fat) Chocolate, Strawberry	\$3.00	⊕⊕⊕GF
100% Fruit Juice 250ml	\$3.00	⊕⊕⊕GF
Apple or Tropical		
Chill J 100% Sparkling Fruit Drink	\$3.00	⊕⊕GF
Raspberry, Grape, Watermelon, Lemonade		

FROZEN TREATS

Frozen 100% Juice Tubes	\$1.20	⊕⊕⊕GF
Frozen Skim Milk Tubes (Choc or Blue)	\$2.50	⊕⊕⊕GF
Icy Pole	\$1.50	⊕⊕GF
Frozen Pineapple and Watermelon	\$0.60	⊕⊕⊕GF
Twisted Frozen Yoghurt Choc/Van or Mango/WMelon/Strawberry	\$3.00	⊕⊕⊕GF
Streets Paddle Pop Rainbow	\$2.60	⊕⊕

Bring lunch bag back to canteen to pick up your frozen treat

PLEASE NOTE: SOME PRODUCTS MAY CONTAIN EGG
PRICES SUBJECT TO CHANGE

EFFECTIVE JANUARY 2023

IF YOUR CHILD HAS ANY FOOD ALLERGIES PLEASE CLEARLY MARK BAG



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Introducing Qkr! (pronounced 'quicker') by Mastercard, the secure and easy way to order and pay for school items from your phone at a time and place that suits you.

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- Order and pay for your child's lunches, reducing the need to bring cash to school;
- Pay for a variety of school items;
- See your receipts on the app and get them sent by email if required.



Getting started is easy - try it yourself today

Step 1 Download Qkr!

on your Android phone or iPhone. iPad users can download iPhone app



Step 2 Register

Select your Country of Residence as 'Australia' and follow the steps to register

Step 3 Find our school

Our school will appear in 'Nearby Locations' if you're within 10kms of the school, or search for our school by name.

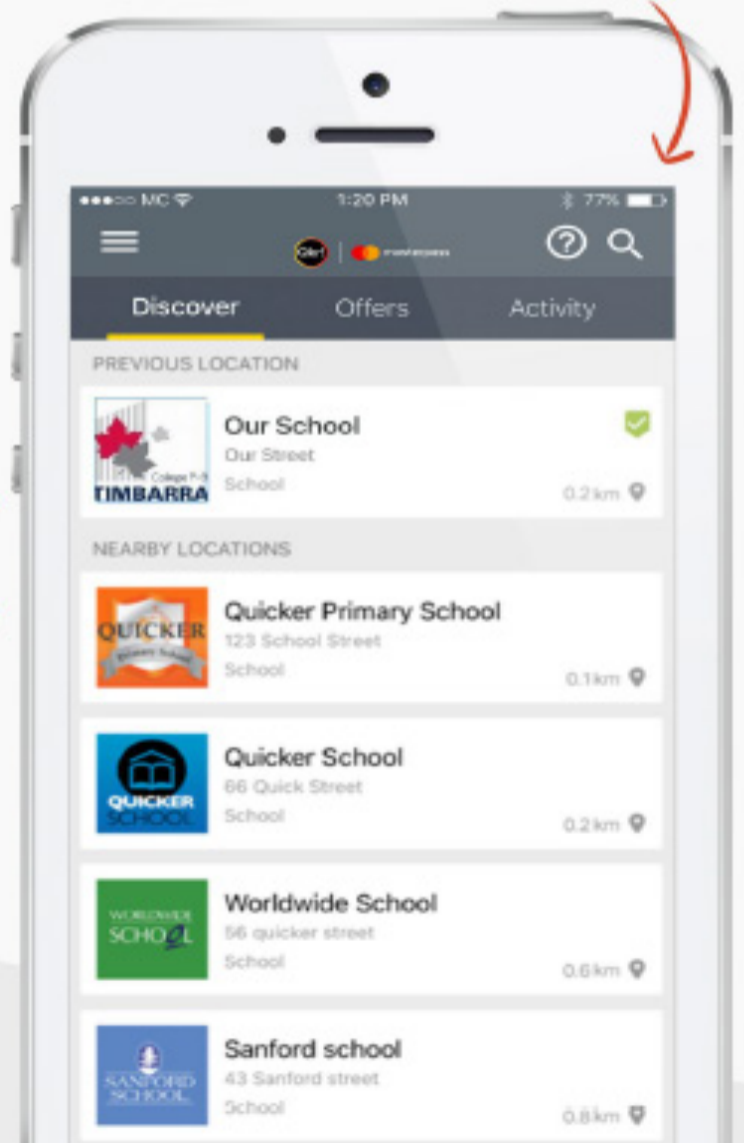
Step 4 Register your children

When first accessing our school you will be prompted to add a student profile for your child. This allows you to make orders and payments for them.

If you have made a purchase you can select our school from 'Previous Location'

If you're within 10 kms of the school, you can select our school from 'Nearby Locations'

Search for our school name





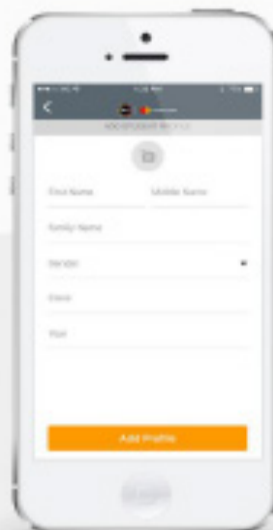
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Add your children's details in Student Profiles

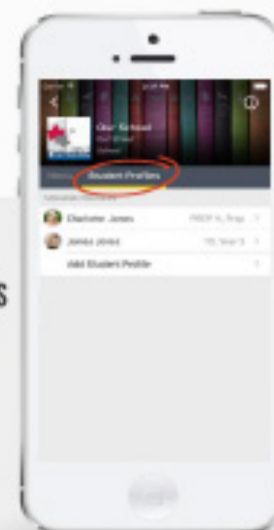
Select 'Add student profile'



Add each child's details

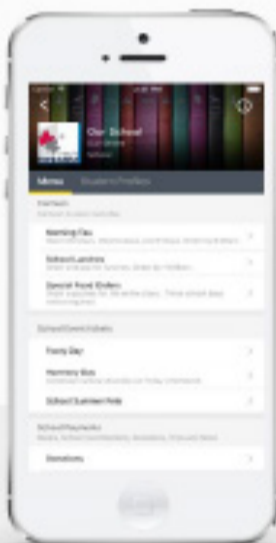


Manage each child's details in Student Profiles



Order meals

Select a menu from our canteen

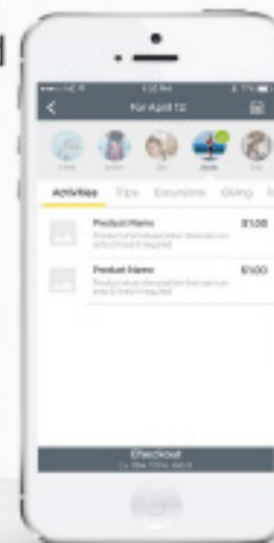


Tap the green box to view your receipt or to cancel an order



Select a date for a child and order a meal

Tap 'Repeat order' to copy all paid orders from one week to the next



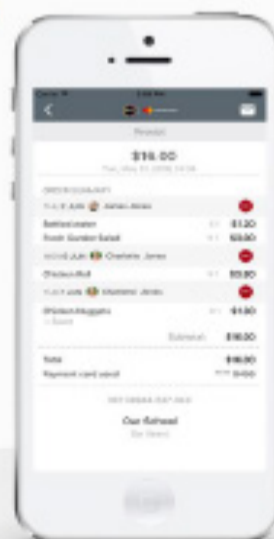
Tap to change the date you are ordering for

Tap to change the child you are ordering for

Tap 'Checkout' then confirm and pay

Making payments

Add up to 5 cards to your wallet



At checkout select which card to pay with.

Pay with any cards accepted by the school.

Once your payment is approved you can continue to the home page, or view your receipt.