Dear Parents, Students and Staff,

Move Up day/State Wide Transition: What a big day it was on Tuesday! We had 44 new Prep students join us for the day along with our other new students Connor, Bailey, Hunter, Remi, Sienna, Jara, Chloe and Jake. We look forward to all of our new students joining us next year and hope they had a great day with us on Tuesday. Our Year 6 students also had their Orientation Day at Secondary School and by all accounts they are very much looking forward to next year and had a great time at their various schools. We will celebrate their Grade 6 graduation this evening with dinner and a presentation ceremony at Colac Secondary College.

Staffing Update: Welcome to provisional appointees Jennifer Colbrion who will be joining us in grades 3/4, Sharyn Newton who will be joining our Integration team, Louise Vaughan who has been appointed to run our canteen, kitchen and garden programs. We know they will be an asset to our school.

Thanks to our Volunteers: Many of our hardworking volunteers joined us for morning tea this morning as we thanked them for their work this year. Many of our programs including Kids Hope, The Stephanie Alexander Kitchen Garden Program, Canteen, Literacy blocks and others would not be possible without this dedicated band of supporters.

2015 school start date: All families are advised that students will commence school on Monday February 2nd, 2015. This delayed start is to allow staff an opportunity to furnish and set up our portable classrooms which will not be arriving until after the conclusion of the 2014 school year. Staff will commence this work in the week prior so we can be up and running with all classrooms on February 2nd.

School Concert: our concert will be next Wednesday December 17th at 7.00pm in the stadium. All students are involved in the event and will need to report to their classrooms by 6.45pm in costume. Parents and families are invited to the concert with the cost being a gold coin donation. Raffle tickets will also be on sale. It looks certain to be a great event with classes practising a variety of items to showcase on the night. We hope to see you there!

School Council: Thank you to outgoing School Council member Mr Stephen Lawrence. Steve and his family have been
huge supporters of Colac Primary School and Steve has served 11 terms on School Council assisting the school community. We are sure to maintain contact, but on behalf of the school community I would like to extend our thanks to Steve on all of the support has given to the school over the past 11 years. I would also like to thank all School Council members, for their contribution this year. We celebrated with a School Council dinner on Monday night, which was great and I look forward to seeing our School Councillors back in action in 2015.

Volunteers Needed: We require a small group of volunteers from 6-8am to help set up marquees, tables, pick up BBQ’s etc for our Custom Car Show fundraiser on Saturday 17th January. Please leave your name at the office.

Shelby Papadopoulos
Principal

Upcoming dates: Please mark in your diary

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CHRISTMAS RAFFLE
We still require donations for the Christmas raffle which will be drawn at the school concert next Wednesday night. Please bring to the office.

LICE
There has been a number of cases of headlice throughout classes recently. Please check your child’s hair as often as you can. Ask to speak to Mrs Rodger for straightforward information on how to treat lice if found.

YEAR 5/6 CAMP INSTALMENTS
$27.50 payments are due on the following dates for families paying camp via instalments: 27th Nov, 4th Dec, 11th Dec, 18th Dec, 29th Jan, 4th Feb, 11th Feb and 16th Feb.

YEAR 6 MEMENTO TOPS
Just a reminder to year 5 students that they need to come to the office to try on a year 6 memento top. Orders need to be placed as soon as possible ready for delivery early next year.

STEPHANIE ALEXANDER COOKBOOKS
Cookbooks are still available to order at $3 each. Cookbooks contain all recipes that year 3/4 students have made throughout the program this year. Great idea for Christmas.

THE VALUES WINNER FOR THIS WEEK IS
BRODY H FROM ROOM 2
CONGRATULATIONS
BRODY RECEIVES A FREE LUNCH FROM OUR SCHOOL CANTEEN FOR DISPLAYING OUR SCHOOL VALUES

VALUE OF THE WEEK

TOLERANCE
Tolerance is accepting things you can’t change or things that you wish were different.

LIBRARY NEWS

Overdues: All library books should be returned this week. If your child gets an overdue note and he/she doesn’t have the book, write this on the note and return it to Mrs Rosevear or Mrs Newcombe.

Library Bags: If you don’t have anybody to make your child a library bag they are available on ebay for under $10.

Cowlick Bookshop: Don’t forget to mention Colac PS if you purchase a book from Cowlick Bookshop as a percentage of sales comes back to our school.
STUDENTS OF THE WEEK

ROOM 1  CHAYTON
ROOM 2  AXLE
ROOM 3  ZAKE
ROOM 4  ZARA
ROOM 5  MELANIE
ROOM 6  KIERA
ROOM 7  JOHANNA
ROOM 7  SARAH
ROOM 7  LAURA
ROOM 8  HEIDI

CHAPLAINS FRIENDSHIP AWARD
JOSH R

COMMUNITY NEWS

SUMMER READING CLUB
At the Colac Community Library & Learning Centre Summer Reading Club activities will run from 15th December 2014 until 23rd January 2015 and registration is FREE!
When participants register at our library they will receive a Summer Reading Club pack and will be able to earn small prizes for reading over the school holidays.
For more info the Summer Reading Club, feel free to contact the library 52314613 or go to www.summerreadingclub.org.au

TOTALLY SPORT
Want to play on Simonds Stadium?
Totally sport is back this January 14th-16th. 3 day total sport program for kids Yrs 3-6 at the home of Geelong Cats. Enq: Michael 52249140 or Michael@leisurenetworks.org or visit www.leisurenetworks.org
Book before 19th Dec for early price

REBELS BASKETBALL NEWS
Game times for tonight are as follows:
TONIGHT Thursday 11th December – U11 boys:
Rebel Crocs – 4pm Colac Primary
Rebel Geckos – 5.20pm Trinity
Friday 12th December – U11 girls
Rebel Emeralds – 4pm Colac Primary
Rebel Garnets – 5.20pm Trinity

MALES VS FEMALES BASKETBALL GAME
On Tuesday at 2:30pm the teachers/students end of year basketball game will be played in the stadium.
This year the new ‘Males Vs Females’ concept sees Mr McInness and Mr Tillack teaming up with the Grade 6 boys, aiming to beat Miss Hillman, Miss Vickers and a number of other female teachers and Grade 6 girls.
All parents, carers and other family members most welcome.