Dear Parents, Students and Staff:

Mother’s Day: The last chance for students to purchase raffle tickets in classrooms for our Mother’s Day Raffle is tomorrow morning. Prizes will be drawn over the school P.A at 2.15pm.

Mother’s Day BBQ: Thank you to those of you who have RSVP’d for our Mother’s Day BBQ – we look forward to sharing lunch with you at 1.30pm tomorrow. Students will need to bring their lunch or lunch order.

Mother’s Day Stall: Will be held tomorrow morning. Each class will get a chance to browse and choose their gifts which will be set up in the library. Please ensure children bring along a plastic supermarket bag to take home their special gift in. Thank you to families for the many donations that have been received. Gifts are $5.00 each. Please note that we are unable to do I.O.U’s for any student.

Illness: We have had reported cases of Gastroenteritis at school. The condition can be highly contagious and hygiene and washing of hands regularly is essential. If your child presents with symptoms please keep them at home until at least 24 hours since the last episode. Thank you for your co-operation.

Donation: Thank you to Beryl Tucker who donated a set of four puzzles to our school. Beryl has been a valued mentor in our school.

School Disco: Thank you to all of our helpers who supported the disco last Friday night. The students had a great time dancing to our D.J’s tunes and really enjoyed the evening.

Professional Learning: Over the next two weeks we will welcome Mr Rob Vingerhoets, a Mathematics Specialist Teacher into our school to work in our classrooms. Staff have undertaken some professional development with Rob in Term 1 and these classroom visits will provide an opportunity for staff to discuss what they have implemented and continue their learning with Rob on how to engage children in this important area of their learning. I trust that the children will also have some great maths fun during this time. Staff from
Birregurra Primary School will also be joining in with us for this important opportunity.

NAPLAN: Tests will be held next week on 10th -12th May. NAPLAN is a valuable assessment tool for governments, schools and parents to understand and improve the literacy and numeracy outcomes of Australian students. NAPLAN provides parents of students in Years 3/5/7/9 with a report on their child’s performance in literacy and numeracy against the national average. Schools and teachers use NAPLAN data to improve teaching and learning programs in the classroom. Please ensure students are present for NAPLAN testing.

Swimming: Grade Prep to 2 will undertake their swimming program in Term 3. Sessions will be weekly and held at Heather’s Swim School. Cost of this program is $70.00 per student. I have included with this weeks newsletter a survey to families in regards to swimming for Grades 3-6. A program has not been run for the past few years due to the lack of a suitable venue for the senior students, but with Bluewater now in operation the opportunity is available. To run a successful program for these year levels the majority of students need to participate. Families are asked to return their response by May 13th. Costs will be approximately $70 per student.

Breakfast Club: As part of the Education State initiative we have been very fortunate to be funded to establish a breakfast club here at school beginning in Term 3. The program will provide students breakfast free of charge and will run between 8.20am-8.40am. Our program will run on Monday and Thursday mornings. To begin ordering we need an indication of the number of children that may be interested in having breakfast as part of the Breakfast Club. Breakfast items will include weetbix, porridge, fruit in natural juice and baked beans. Please return the survey by May 13th.

Kind Regards,
Shelby Papadopoulos
Principal

Notes sent home with today’s newsletter
✓ Before & After School Care – eldest in the family – online survey
✓ Swimming Survey – all students in years 3-6 – due 13th May
✓ Breakfast Club Survey – eldest in the family - due 13th May
✓ NAPLAN information – all students in year 3 and 5
✓ Asthma Care Plan – selected students – please return as soon as possible
✓ Permission notes for Cross Country – selected students

CALENDAR
May 6th Mothers Day stall
May 6th Mothers Day BBQ-1.30pm
May 9th Senior Golf-selected students
May 10-12th NAPLAN
May 13th Swimming & Breakfast Club surveys due back
May 13th Interschool Cross Country-selected students
May 16th Geelong Cats visit
May 16th School Council meeting-6pm
May 17th 2017 Preps information morning-9-10am for prospective families
May 18th Education Week Open Morning for current families 9-11am
May 18th State Schools Spec rehearsal
May 20th Bike Education begins–yr 3/4

CANTEEN DUTY TOMORROW
Friday 6th May 2016
11AM-12.30PM 12.30PM-2PM
Gary Wright Helper required
Andrea Ivermee Jane Russell
UNIFORM NEWS
Spare Uniform: We are in need of spare polo tops and shorts for our second hand uniform. Students need a change of clothes if they have a blood nose or an accident etc.

New Uniform:
School Coats $32: Coats are bottle green, waterproof and fully lined with warm polar fleece and a concealed hood. Sizes 4-14
New Track pants $24: With double knee padding, sizes 4-16 including size 7
Polar fleece vests: $14
Gaberdine Trousers $31.50: Grey or green, various sizes in stock, can order any size in
Rugby Tops $33.50: Sizes 4-16
Beanies $5, Scarves $2, gloves $2.
Long Sleeve Polos $23: White or green, various sizes in stock, can order any size in.
See Carolyn in the office on Tuesdays and Thursdays for uniform purchases.

Kilts:
For Sale: 1 x size 8 kilt - $45
Wanted To Buy: We have 2 requests for a size 12 kilt, please bring to the office. Bring your 2nd hand kilts to the office, they sell quickly.

SCHOOL BANKING
Students in any year level are welcome to come to the office and collect a school banking pack if they wish to start an account. Students are also encouraged to come to the office and ask Mrs McCarthy how many tokens they have earnt, what prizes they are eligible for or collect another prizes sheet.

VALUE OF THE WEEK
TOLERANCE
Tolerance is accepting things that you can’t change.

STUDENTS OF THE WEEK
END OF TERM 1

ROOM 1 SUMMER
ROOM 2 WILLIAM
ROOM 2 JESSICA
ROOM 3 KAYNE
ROOM 4 DAKOTA
ROOM 5 DAKOTA
ROOM 6 JESSE
ROOM 7 TE AMO
ROOM 7 ASHTON
ROOM 8 TYLER
ROOM 9 RACHAEL
ROOM 9 CHLOE
ROOM 9 BROCK
ROOM 10 TRENT
ART LARA
PE TYSON
EMILY
LIBRARY RILEY H
FRIENDSHIP MORGAN
MATARIKI
ASSEMBLY CIARA, NOAH, ETHAN & CAIDEN B

CANTEEN DUTY NEXT WEEK
Friday 13th May 2016
11AM-12.30PM
12.30PM-2PM
Cassie Monagan
Janelle Oates
Kerrin Coutts
Karen Wade

SPORTS AWARD
The sports award goes to ‘ROOM 10’
CONGRATULATIONS & Well Done

COLAC AUSKICK 2016
Go to www.aflauskick.com.au to register Rd 1 for grades prep to 3’s start on Sun 15th May. Rd 1 for U12’s starts on Fri 13th May All enq: via email colacauskick@gmail.com
Chris Riches (Colac Area Manager)