Dear Parents, Students and Staff,

State Schools Spectacular TV Broadcast: Don't miss the Channel Seven broadcast of this year's Victorian State Schools Spectacular highlights on Saturday 3 December from 7:00pm -- 9:00pm. The show will also be simulcast via livestreaming on the PLUS7 app and be available on the PLUS7 catch-up website for 30 days. The Spectacular contributes to a number of the Government Education State targets, including more students reaching the highest level of achievement in the arts, ensuring our kids are happy, healthy and resilient, and increasing pride and confidence in our schools. The advertisement for this Saturday's broadcast is available at this link: https://vimeo.com/193292985

BREAKING NEWS: Colac Primary has been selected to perform in the 2017 State Schools Spectacular! We will host the regional rehearsals here in our stadium which is very exciting news. Auditions for dancers from Grdes 5 & 6 will be held early next year.

State Wide Orientation Day and Colac Primary School ‘Move up’ day: On Tuesday our Grade 6 students will be spending the day at their respective secondary schools for the State Wide Orientation Day. Here at Colac Primary our 2017 Grade Preps will join us and all current students in Grade Prep to Grade 5 will be moving up for the day spending the day with their classmates for 2017 and their teachers. We will welcome new teachers to the school for the day including Ms Karisa Walker, Mrs Kate Chudoschnik, Miss Abbey Watt & Mr Matthew Messinger. These staff will be joining our school in 2017 and it is great that they are able to join us for the day on December 6th to meet their classes. The staff leaving at the end of 2016 will be farewelled in next week’s newsletter.

School Council: Previous School Council agenda items will be carried over to the meeting on December 8th which will commence at 6pm at the school. Following the meeting a dinner will be held which all School Councillors are invited to attend to acknowledge their contribution throughout the year.

Art Expo: Next Tuesday on Orientation Day Colac Secondary College are having an Art Expo commencing at 3pm. The Expo will feature year 6 artworks from district schools including our year 6’s. The display will be in the Performing Arts Foyer. All welcome

Kind Regards, Shelby Papadopoulos
2017 Prep Buddies Barbecue
Tonight

Our transition program will continue with our Prep Barbecue for 2017 Grade Prep students, their families and their buddies tonight beginning at 5.45pm. Grade 5 buddies will need to be here at 5.30pm so they are ready to greet their buddies at the Lyons Street entrance at 5.45pm. The barbecue will include a parent information session and will conclude at 7pm. Our Preps will then undertake their orientation visit on Tuesday December 6th. We really look forward to welcoming our Prep children and their families to Colac Primary School.

PARENTS CLUB NEWS

Raffle Tickets: Please return books and money by TOMORROW. Each full book sold will go into a draw for a book seller’s prize of a $25 Coles Myer Gift Card. Tickets/raffle books are also available at the office or at the concert where it will be drawn that night.

Christmas Raffle/Hamper: Don’t forget to donate to our Christmas Hamper. Thanks to families who have already brought their donations in. Suggestions include: Christmas themed items, decorations, non perishable foods, small toys etc. Items can be left at the office. Tickets are $1 each. 1st prize is a Television, 2nd prize is the Christmas hamper and 3rd prize a voucher for ACE airport parking.

Colac Custom Car & Bike Show: On Saturday 14th January 2017 Colac Primary School will be hosting a barbecue as part of our fundraising for the year. A flyer was sent home recently asking for parent helpers for various timeslots on the day. We still need at least a dozen more volunteers to fill timeslots. Please support our fundraiser by returning the reply slip by next Friday 9th December or call the office and leave your name.

CANTEEN DUTY TOMORROW
Friday 2nd December 2016

11AM-12.30PM 12.45PM-2PM
Janelle Oates Gina Larson
Andrea Ivermee Kerrie Coutts

MISSING

A student has lost her Furbies, one large and one small. If you have seen them please return to room 3.

CALENDAR

Dec 1st 2017 Prep/Buddy BBQ
5.45pm – 7pm

Dec 2nd Raffle Books/money
Due back

Dec 2nd Yr 5/6 Fishing Competition
For selected students

Dec 3rd State Schools Spectacular
Broadcast on channel 7

Dec 6th Transition Day & Move Up
day

Dec 8th Prep/2 Queenscliff excursion

Dec 8th School Council Meeting / Dinner – 6pm

Dec 9th Year 6 fishing excursion

Dec 12th Year 6 Graduation & reports
Sent home

Dec 13th Last day for school banking

Dec 14th Yrs 3/6 swimming activity

Dec 15th School Concert 7pm-raffle
drawn

Dec 16th X Factor – 9am
Class break ups – 11.30am
Final assembly 2.30pm

Dec 20th Clean & pack up. Students
Dismissal 1pm

Jan 14th Colac Custom Car &
Bike Show-12 more
Volunteers required

Jan 31st Term 1 begins
SCHOOL BANKING UPDATE

Redeeming Rewards: Any prizes redeemed from now on will be held over until term 1 next year. The only prizes left to redeem are:
- Outback Pat Bag Tag
- ET DVD,
- Outer Space Savers Money Box
- Wriggly Glow Worms

Out of Stock: Jump Skip Ropes and Bush Fly Fans are now out of stock. Wriggley Glow Worm supplies are getting low, so get your tokens in fast.

Last Day: 13th December – last day for school banking.

VALUE OF THE WEEK

TOLERANCE

Tolerance is accepting things about people that you don’t like.

STUDENTS OF THE WEEK

ROOM 1
RUBIE

ROOM 2
LEVI

ROOM 3
CHLOE

ROOM 4
DAKOTA

ROOM 5
BEAU

ROOM 6
LYNDON

ROOM 7
MADDOX

ROOM 8
ELLA J

ROOM 9
PAIGE

ROOM 10
JACOBY

PE
TRENT & RM 3

FRIENDSHIP
ADA

Thunderstorm Asthma

Thunderstorms have been linked to epidemics of asthma, especially at the end of Spring, when grasses are flowering.

Anyone with a known history of asthma is at risk of experiencing an exacerbation of their usual symptoms at this time.

In addition, people who do not usually experience symptoms of asthma but have a history of allergies may be at increased risk.

The common signs of asthma are difficulty in breathing, chest tightness and wheezing.

An asthma attack can be life threatening. If a child’s condition is deteriorating, parents or guardians should seek urgent care by calling 000. Signs of rapid deterioration include little or no relief from a reliever inhaler, inability to speak comfortably, gasping for air or lips turning blue.

People with asthma should continue to use their usual medications. Where possible, stay inside when the weather is windy with high pollen counts or dust. ALWAYS CARRY YOUR INHALER WITH YOU

Actions required

Follow the 4-step asthma first aid, which is:

1. Sit the person upright and give reassurance – do not leave them alone.
2. Without delay, give the person four separate puffs of their blue/grey reliever medication. If using a puffer like Ventolin or Asmol, this should be taken one puff at a time through a spacer. Ask the person to take four breaths from the spacer after each puff of medication.
3. Wait four minutes. If there is little or no improvement, repeat steps 2 and 3.
4. If there is still no improvement, call 000 for an ambulance immediately. Repeat steps 2 and 3 continuously while waiting for the ambulance to arrive.

OUTSIDE NEWS

KIDS MOUNTAIN BIKE RACES

Hosted by Forrest PS & Early Years Centre at the Forrest Festival
Sun 4th Dec at Southern Trailhead Car Park, Grant St Forrest. Registration at 11am. Four races open to kids aged 15 and under
Mini Mauler, Dust Digger, Mud Muncher & Cliff Climber. Entry Fee:$10