



NEWSLETTER

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Dear Parents, Students and Staff

Tomorrow is a student free day – staff will be undertaking professional learning

Grade 5 & 6 Camp: Our grade 5 & 6 students will be heading off to camp at Lorne next week. Students will have an opportunity to participate in a variety of outdoors activities and work together to create some magical memories. I remind students that they are not permitted to take phones, iPods, iPads and the like. This is a technology free experience. We hope our students have a great time ☺

School Council: Our final parent category vacancy was filled by: Katie McDougall.

Thank you to all who will form our 2020 school council. An election of the 2020 School Council office bearers will take place on March 17th, 2020. DET employees are not permitted to hold the role of School Council President.

Peppercorn Tree: It has been a very sad sight to see – we have had to bid farewell to our Peppercorn tree. The tree that was within our school grounds outside rooms 9 & 10 was over 40 years old. Sadly the tree had died and had to be removed so it did not present safety concerns. We will determine how best to rehabilitate this area in the near future.

Student Council: Students from year 2 to 6 were elected recently as Student Councillors and they will receive their badges at the student leaders badge presentations on 13th March at 2.30pm. Students are:

Room 3: Summah & Jack

Room 4: Sam & Olivia

Room 5: Dakota & Angus

Room 7: CJ & Hannah

Room 8: Brock & Emily

Room 9: Xantha & Riley

Room 10: Summer & Lewis

Room 11: Jordan & William

They are very excited to put forward their ideas for raising money through various activities throughout the year. Selling lemonade icypoles at lunchtime on Wednesdays is one of their current initiatives.

Lawn Bowls: All of our grade 5 & 6 students attended a session of lawn bowls yesterday. This is a new addition to our local Colac sporting competition, offering students an opportunity to play a new sport and learn new skills. A



representative team will be selected from yesterday's session and will participate in an interschool competition on Thursday March 12th.

Evacuation Drill: last week we held an evacuation drill to ensure that students and staff knew what to expect if they heard our emergency siren. The drill went very well and students were able to follow the directions in a clear and orderly fashion. This type of drill is similar to what you might have at home in the way of a fire plan; it is a set of instructions that we rehearse to know what to do in the event of an emergency. We aim to hold one drill each term and these will include onsite evacuation, lockdown and offsite evacuation practices.

Dental Forms: Forms have been sent home today with students in grades 2 to 6 from Wide Smiles, who are associated with Barwon Health and Colac Area Health. Parents are encouraged to support this dental service and they will visit on a date yet to be confirmed.

Kind regards,
Shelby Papadopoulos
Principal

MONEY TO THE OFFICE

All money sent to school with your child must be put in an envelope or snap lock bag with their name and excursion note. School payment envelopes are available from the office or class teacher if preferred.

SCHOOL FUNDRAISER – FUN RUN

We have our big annual fundraiser coming up on **Friday 20th March** and this year it is a **Fun Run!** Please see the page which accompanied last week's newsletter for all the info.

[Sponsorship books were sent home with every student last week.](#) Prizes are given out for as little as \$10 raised. We also need helpers on the day, so if you are available, please contact the office as soon as possible. Volunteer numbers will decide how many events we have on during the day.

COMPASS

Please be reminded that all school communication occurs via Compass including a notification if your child required first aid throughout the day. Student absence notifications are being sent via SMS using the Compass portal, so please be sure to log in and make sure your contact details are up to date.

If you have any questions or access issues, please pop in to see us at the office.



BLAZE AID

Casual Day for Blaze Aid is on Friday March 6th. Students will be encouraged to wear casual on the day and bring along a gold coin donation that will go towards our collective fundraising efforts to support those impacted by the bushfires this summer.

CALENDAR

Term 1

Feb 28 th	Curriculum Day-no students
Mar 2 nd	Geelong Cats visit P/2 at school
Mar 2 nd	Geelong Cats excursion-yrs 5/6
Mar 2 nd	Colac PS netball club AGM-5.15pm In the stadium
Mar 3-4 th	Yr 5/6 Lorne Camp
Mar 5 th	School Athletics
Mar 6 th	Blaze Aid Casual day-gold coin
Mar 6 th	Assembly
Mar 11 th	Senior tennis-selected students
Mar 12 th	State Schools Spectacular-8.30am For selected students
Mar 12 th	Lawn Bowls-selected students
Mar 13 th	Ride2School Day
Mar 13 th	Student Leadership Badge presentations-2.30pm in stadium
Mar 17 th	School Council elections
Mar 20 th	Fun Run
Mar 20 th	Bullying-No Way! Day
Mar 20 th	Assembly
Mar 21 st	Kana parade-'Not all heroes wear capes' theme
Mar 24 th	School photo day
Mar 26 th	Colac Division Athletics
Mar 27 th	End of term-2.30pm dismissal
	Term 2
Apr 14 th	Term 2 commences
Apr 23 rd	School Cross Country

KANA 2020

Kana Parade: The theme for The Colac Kana Festival 2020 is **Heroes and Villains** and will be held on **Saturday 21st March**. Given the devastation of the recent and ongoing bushfire crisis we would like our float to reflect Heroes who do not wear capes - with a focus on celebrating our first responders – fire fighters, police officers, ambulance, volunteers, animal

rescuers, medical staff etc. Students will be encouraged to dress up with this theme in mind

– **Not all Heroes Wear Capes!**

Volunteers: This date always comes around very fast and we would love to have some volunteers this year to help with decorating our school float. If you are able to assist please contact Jane McGuane to discuss.

VALUE FOR THIS WEEK IS RESPECT



We show **respect** by being *thankful*. We are grateful for what we have and appreciate the little things in life

THE VALUES WINNER FOR LAST WEEK
WAS MIA O FROM ROOM 7
CONGRATULATIONS
RECEIVES A SPECIAL PEN FOR
DISPLAYING OUR SCHOOL VALUE OF
TOLERANCE

STUDENT OF THE WEEK

RM 1	HARRISON & BLAKE
RM 2	JIMI & LEXIE T
RM 3	JASMINE & JACK
RM 4	SAM & OLIVIA
RM 5	MALAKI & TAMA
RM 7	LIAM & INGRID
RM 8	MAX & ARLIE
RM 9	WIKI & HUGH
RM 10	JAYCE & SUMMER
RM 11	JESSE & BELLA
PE	RM 11, LIAM E & ZAVIER
ART	ALEC & CALEB O
LIBRARY	SAM A & DALLAS

KILTS

Secondhand Kilts:

1 x size 10/12 - \$20, 2 x size 8 - \$40 each
If you have a second hand kilt at home, bring to the office to sell and we will advertise it here. These kilts are sold at various prices according to their condition.

New Kilts: Box pleat tunics are available in sizes 4G to 10G (\$42) and the bib is detachable to become a kilt if preferred. Smaller children

prefer this style as it helps to hold the kilt in place. Kilts are available in sizes 12G to 10L (\$45). All sizes have an adjustable waist and side button, zip pocket, 2 inverted box pleats front and back, and have a left hand side zip opening. We have most sizes in stock and can order in any sizes as required.

ICY POLES

Lemonade icy poles are selling at the canteen window at Wednesday lunchtimes for \$1 during the warmer months.

GARDEN NEWS WITH MRS ROSEVEAR

Worms

Some willing helpers assembled yet another worm farm. The first three have increasing numbers of worms in them.



Garlic

The hot weather meant we worked indoors on Monday. We talked about GARLIC and its many uses. We

used a mortar and pestle to crush some cloves. The children decorated a paper bag (not as strong as plastic bags but after use can be fed to the worms or put in the compost). The children estimated the weight of their garlic bulbs before weighing them. This was then recorded on the bag.

Green tip

Soft plastic can be put into a bag and dropped off at Safeway or Coles. Soft plastics returned to these stores are recycled by their partners REDcycle and Replas into benches, bollards and other items that can be used in our stores and car parks. This is much better than putting them into landfill.

SPORTS WRITE UP WITH MR T

Grade 5/6 Lawn Bowls Excursion



COLAC PRIMARY SCHOOL NETBALL CLUB

Its that time of year again that we are looking for players (girls and boys) to play netball on Friday nights at the Eastern Reserve during terms 2 and 3. Our AGM will be on Monday 2nd March at 5.15pm in stadium. Notices were handed out earlier this week to interested students in years 2 to 6. If your child didn't receive one please come to the office. Looking forward to another wonderful year. Enquiries to Natasha Williamson

COMMUNITY NEWS

**Colac Braves
Baseball Club**

2020 Junior come and try days

Sunday 15 th of March	&	Saturday 21 st of March
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Come down to Eastern Reserve in Colac at 10:00am on either day to give baseball a go!

Boys and girls aged 7 to 16 are all welcome.

For more information scan this QR code to access our Facebook page and send us a message.



Geelong Cats Training Session

As well as the year 5/6 excursion to the Central Reserve, Cats players will also be visiting Colac PS on Monday 2nd March from 2pm-3pm to meet children in grades prep to 2. Children are encouraged to bring along their Cats footy jumpers to get signed.

CPS Athletics Day

Next Thursday (5th March) we have our House Athletics Sports that will be held here at school and it is a 'whole school' event. All students are encouraged to wear shorts, runners and a T-shirt *in their house colours* on the day (**Kangaroos – Red, Koalas – Blue, Dingos – Yellow**). See attached flyer for the timetable.