

NEWSLETTER

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Respect Engage Achieve Care Honesty

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Vision Statement: *At Colac South West Primary School we will provide opportunities for all students to achieve to a high standard in a supportive, challenging and engaging environment where all members proudly display the values of **Respect, Engage, Achieve, Care and Honesty** in order to equip them with the necessary skills and values to prepare them for the future.*

CHILD SAFE STANDARDS

PROTECT



Colac South West Primary School is committed to the **child safe standards**.

These standards are in place at our school to prevent and respond to allegations of child abuse.

Should you need further advice or wish to report a concern regarding child abuse you can contact:

- Colac South West Primary School Principal - Mr. Stephen Barry on 5232 1170
- DHHS Child protection on 131278
- Colac Police on 5232 8200 or call 000

ACKNOWLEDGMENT OF COUNTRY



Colac South West Primary School is located in Gulinidjan Country of the Maar Nation.

We pay our respects to the Gulinidjan people - past, present and emerging, as the traditional custodians of the land and waters on which we live, work and play.

STUDENT PLAYGROUND SUPERVISION

The school offers yard supervision from 8.45am & after school until 3.30pm. Parents are reminded that there is no teacher supervision outside of these times. Children are invited to attend Breakfast Club on Tuesday and Wednesday between 8:20am and 8:50am.

All staff have a Briefing from 8.30- to 8.45am each Friday.



T E R M 1	
Thursday 6 th April	Last day of Term 1 NO LUNCH ORDERS Easter hat parade – 9.00am Lunch – 1.00pm Assembly – 1.45pm Dismissal – 2.30pm
Friday 7 th April	Good Friday
Monday 24 th April	First day Term 2
Tuesday 25 th April	ANZAC Day Public Holiday
Thursday 27 th April	Colac Schools ANZAC Service



Dear Families,
 What a very busy term it has been! It is hard to fathom that we are at the end of Term One already! A big thank you to all of our staff and parents for the effort that they have put in to make sure the children of Colac South West PS have had a great first term. Our new preps, along with all of our new students that have started with us have settled in very well, as have all of our students into their new year level, many with a new teacher and a new classroom.

There has been plenty to keep us busy this term including wheelchair basketball sessions, basketball clinics, House Captain and Junior School Council elections, lawn bowls, Meet and Greet interviews, Headspace visit, Welcome BBQ, Student Leadership Conference, swimming, NAPLAN, Donut Day, KANA parade, Science Incursion, Ride 2 School Day, District Athletics, Walk for Autism Day and a local excursion around Colac.

This morning we held our Easter Hat Parade on the tennis court. The whole school paraded their wonderful creations and we also drew the winners of our Easter Raffle. Thank you to all our families who made donations to make our Easter Raffle happen, it is greatly appreciated. Have a look in this edition of the newsletter for pictures from our parade. We also had Assembly at 1:45pm, a little earlier than usual to allow for our 2:30pm dismissal.











Earlier this week I had the pleasure of having morning tea with last week's stars as Mr. Barry has been away. I asked what their favourite thing this term has been and it was a pretty diverse list: coding using Scratch (a computer program), swimming, going to Art, District Athletics and just coming to school. We had a lovely morning tea together in the Autumn sunshine at the bus shelter. Congratulations to our stars of the week, well done!




I wish each and every one of you a safe and happy Easter. May the Easter bunny (or bilby!) be kind to you and you have a restful break. See you in Term Two!

Miss Baulch
 Assistant Principal

STARS OF THE WEEK

<p>Year Prep Mrs Ellis</p>	<p>London Lofts Great week of learning London! A pleasure to have you in our year prep room.</p>	
<p>Room 3 Miss Gappa</p>	<p>Pypah Spokes  Has demonstrated: RESPECT, ENGAGE, ACHIEVE, CARE and HONESTY Pypah has consistently displayed all our REACH values during our Maths groups over the past two weeks. Pypah always enters Room 3 with a friendly smile on her face and demonstrates Respect and Engagement by actively listening to the teacher and her peers. She is organised and always ready to give anything a go. Pypah is a hard worker; she remains on task during all sessions and consistently produces her personal best. Pypah, we love having you in Room 3! Well done. You have been a star!</p>	

<p>Room 4</p> <p>Miss Watts</p>	<p>Lily Crosbie Has demonstrated: Engage and Achieve  What a term this young lady has had! She has worked hard and challenged herself throughout the term! I have been very impressed with the way that she puts her head down and gets to work straight away! Lily has blown me away with her writing and her willingness to try new words. After some troubling words, Lily set herself the goal to sound out every word that she is unsure of and is not worried if she doesn't always spell a word correctly. Well done on a super term Lily! Keep up your super hard work next term!</p>
<p>Room 6</p> <p>Miss Rodgers</p>	<p>Prezlee Musgrove Respect Engage, Achieve and Care  Prezlee has had a wonderful week. He should be proud of the way he has focused on his work and tried his best at every available opportunity. Prezlee has listened exceptionally well in class discussions and it has been fantastic to hear him give creative answers during our adjectives brainstorming sessions. Prezlee has also liked ordering numbers and counting to and from 20 where he takes on feedback to ensure he doesn't skip numbers. It was superb to hear Prezlee read with confidence during guided reading where he self-corrected when needed. Keep up the outstanding work Prezlee and every day you are in Room 6 is a fantastic day!</p>
<p>Room 5</p> <p>Miss Harris</p>	<p>Shelby Kent Has demonstrated: Respect, Engage and Achieve It has been such a pleasure having Shelby in my math group over the past few weeks. She has demonstrated Respect this week by being an active listener when instructions are delivered. She made sure to have her eyes on the speaker and nothing in hands so she can understand what is expected from her. Shelby has been an Engaged learner this week by always raising her hand to share her answers. It has been great to see her confidence grow with a new group of students.  Shelby has worked very hard on our measurement learning; she has shown that she can use informal methods to measure different items and can compare them. Shelby also demonstrated her ability to convert between centimetres and metres. Well done on an excellent week Shelby! Keep it up!</p>
<p>Room 8</p> <p>Mrs Boyle and Miss Morris</p>	<p>Alec Crosbie  Has demonstrated: RESPECT, ENGAGE, ACHIEVE, CARE and HONESTY Alec has made a fantastic start to Year 6! Alec continually demonstrates that he is ready to Achieve goals by the way he has made huge improvements this year in every area of our REACH values. During our inquiry task natural disasters, I was very proud of the way Alec helped a peer to edit and improve their PowerPoint with so much positive feedback and effort that he put in. It has been great to see Alec taking ownership of his learning by asking for help when he needs it. Alec has worked hard on staying focused and completing every task that is handed to him with a positive attitude and understanding of the task. He is a kind and caring class member who is considerate of others working around him. Well done on a great start Alec.....you are a star!! 😊</p>
<p>ART</p>  <p>Mrs Allan</p>	<p>Piper Keast For approaching her artwork with enthusiasm and creativity. Piper has been listening carefully to classroom instructions and trying her best with all art making activities. This week she was a wonderful helper! Congratulations, Piper! </p>

Music Catherine Trewavas 	Jay Newell  Jay is our musical Star of the Week in recognition of the effort he is showing when participating in music classes and the way he is striving to Achieve personal goals to the best of his ability. In our lesson this week, it was wonderful to see Jay demonstrate such enthusiasm when working on his song choice and to be willing to share his learning with his peers. As well as working on his own goals, he was happy to help others when asked, showing Care and Respect for his classmates. Keep up the good work Jay and congratulations on being our musical Star this Week!
Physical Education Mrs Turner	Raphael Murch Jorja Kelly 

EASTER RAFFLE

Our Easter Raffle was drawn at our Easter Hat Parade today with prizes from First to Eleventh. The total raised was \$791 and is the most we have raised in an Easter raffle for a long time! Thank you so much to all who donated and to those who bought tickets. Our prize winners were as follows:

1 st – Jacob Haslem	7 th – Woods Family
2 nd – Sylvia Paton	8 th – Rainer Day
3 rd – Mrs. Jeffreys	9 th – Kate Aurisch
4 th – Miss Garner	10 th – Mitchell Anderson
5 th – Hayley Bishop	11 th – J. Freer
6 th – Oscar Harrowfield	

CORAG DONATION



A very special thank you to Colac Otways Residents Action Group who have donated 100 reversible bucket hats that will go to our new Preps commencing 2024 and each year after that. We thank them for their very generous donation which will help to keep our Prep students sunsmart into the future.

HAPPY RETIREMENT TO PAULINE HANSON



Well, in case you missed it in last week’s newsletter, it’s really happening: Pauline Hanson is really leaving us! Today is her last day and it certainly is with mixed emotions that we farewell her. Pauline officially started in the office in 2006 but worked in the school on a casual basis the previous year. She has been a friendly face in the office, greeting parents and carers on their arrival and looking after our children with everything from showing her nursing skills in the sick bay to providing lunches. She is also excellent at making sure notes have gone home and been returned in time for camps and excursions. She has been an invaluable member of our school community and will be missed, although hopefully she pops in for a visit from time to time, in between golf games! The final school assembly for Term 1 will be an opportunity for our community to recognise and celebrate Pauline’s involvement in our school. I’m sure that there will be many students and other family members who would like to wish Pauline the best for the future.



END OF TERM REMINDERS

- Term 2 commences on Monday 24th April
- ANZAC Day Public Holiday Tuesday 25th April
- Colac Schools ANZAC Day Service Thursday 27th April
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COLAC SCHOOLS ANZAC SERVICE

The Colac Schools ANZAC Service will take place on Thursday 27th April this year. All students from our school will attend this service and will travel to and from the Memorial Square by bus. They will join students from other schools within the Colac district to pay homage to those men and women who made the ultimate sacrifice in all theatres of war. The service will be held on Thursday 27th April commencing at 11.00am. Our School Captains will present a wreath on behalf of our school community. We all look forward to being a part of this significant event in our school's calendar.



On Tuesday 25th April the Colac RSL will be conducting a 'Dawn Service' which will commence at 6.00am, then at 10.30am the wreath laying service and march will commence near the Apollo Seafoods shop in Gellibrand Street. Those assembled will march to St Mary's church for a service before returning to the Memorial Square later in the morning. Our school will lay a wreath on behalf of our community at this service. I invite our students to attend either service however it would be wonderful if we had a

number of our students participate in the 10.30am march. Mr. Barry and/or Miss Rodgers will accompany any students attending the wreath laying service and students are asked to wear their school uniform if attending. Thank you for your support and cooperation with this important event.

Happy Birthday to these three students who we hope got to eat lots of cake.



Ryder Davis
Jorja Kelly
Noah Goulter

A poster for the Good Friday Appeal. The background is white with purple and green wavy borders. At the top, there is a logo of a stick figure holding a heart, with the text "goodFriday appeal" and "THE ROYAL CHILDREN'S HOSPITAL" below it. Below the logo, there are three lines of text: "THURSDAY 6TH OF APRIL" with a location pin icon, "COLAC BOTANIC GARDENS" with a calendar icon, and "THURSDAY 6TH OF APRIL" with a clock icon. At the bottom, it says "BULLA VAN, LIONS CLUB, JUMPING CASTLE, EASTER EGG HUNT AND BLUEY!". In the bottom left corner, there is a logo for "1134 BCS" and in the bottom right corner, there is a logo for "MIXX FM".



Our Easter Hat Parade was a great start to the final day of term one.



STARTING IN TERM 2



FRIDAY NIGHT **U/10 & U/12 FOOTBALL**

Colac Imperials FNC are seeking interested players for the 2023 season. Please contact Carl Winchcomb on 0409 510 943 for further information or register your interest via PlayHQ
<https://www.playhq.com/afl/register/fbf4f0>

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