NEWSLETTER

COLAC SOUTH WEST P. S.
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Respect Engage Achieve Care Honesty

Colac South West Primary School is a Child Safe School.

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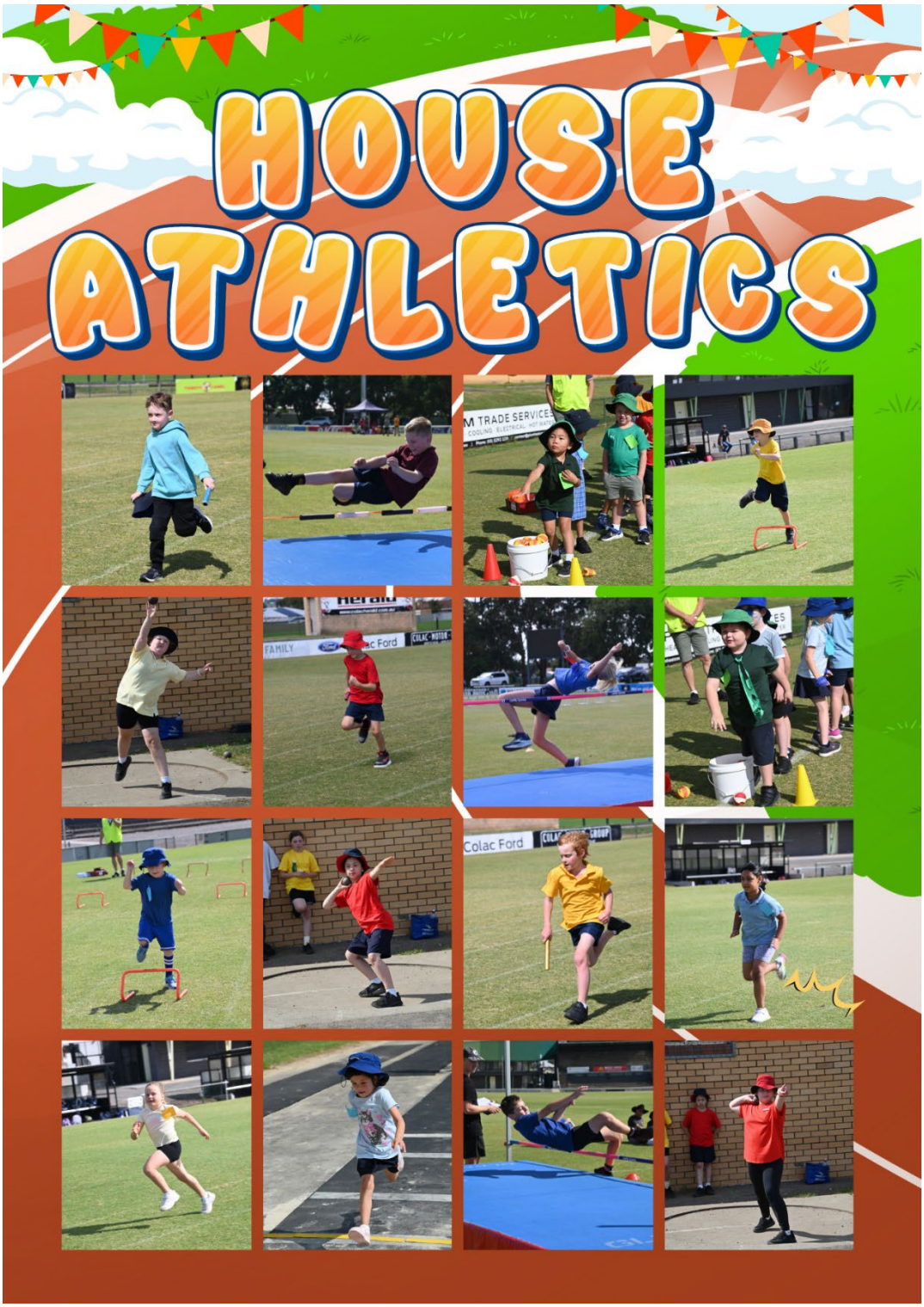
http://www.colac-sw-ps.vic.edu.au

2nd April 2026

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 **R**espect, **E**ngage, **A**chieve, **C**are and **H**onesty in order to equip them with the necessary skills and values to prepare them for the future.*



CHILD SAFE STANDARDS

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 – Xavier Davis on 5232 1170
- DFFH Child protection on 131278
- Colac Police on 5232 8200 or call 000

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF COUNTRY

Colac South West Primary School is located in Gulidjan Country of the Maar Nation.
We pay our respects to the Gulidjan 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 and 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 8:15am and 8:45am in the BER. All staff have a Briefing from 8:30am - to 8:45am each Friday.

April	
Monday 20th April	Term 2 Starts
Tuesday 21st April	Cross Country
Friday 24th April	Combined Schools ANZAC Service

STUDENT FREE DAYS

Friday 1st May	Student Free Day Curriculum Day
Monday 2nd November	Student Free Day
Thursday 17th December	Students Last day of School - 3.30pm finish

As we finish up Term 1, it's been a really strong start to the year at Colac South West Primary School. It's been a busy term with plenty happening—Welcome BBQ, Swimming Sports, Athletics, NAPLAN, Kana, Somers Camp and lots of great learning happening in classrooms every day. What's been most pleasing is the way our students have approached everything—getting involved, having a go and supporting each other.

This morning's Easter Hat Parade and Celebration Assembly were a great way to wrap things up. A huge turnout, plenty of creativity and a nice chance to come together as a school community to recognise the term.

Looking ahead, we return on Monday 20th April, with our Prep–Year 6 House Cross Country taking place on the Tuesday afternoon at Western Oval. On Friday of Week 1, the whole school will attend the ANZAC Ceremony at Memorial Square at 11:00am. A further date for the diary is School Photos on Tuesday 19th May.

Thanks to our staff for their work across the term and to families for your ongoing support.
Have a great Easter break, take the chance to slow down a bit, and if you're travelling, please stay safe on the roads. We'll see everyone back ready to go for Term 2.

Xavier Davis
Principal
Colac South West Primary School

Cross Country – Term 2 Week 1

Our **school Cross Country** will be held on Tuesday, Term 2 Week 1 at Western Reserve. This year we are introducing a **new 1km course**, slightly different to previous years, featuring undulating sections, small hills, sharp turns and a fast finish in front of spectators.

- **Prep, Year 1 and 2** will complete a shorter course.
- **Years 3 and 4** will complete a **1.5km course**, starting in the north-east corner under the trees, passing the finish line after 500m before completing a full lap.
- **Years 5 and 6** will run **two full laps** of the course.

A map is attached for those keen to get in a practice run over the holidays. Our **District Cross Country** event will follow early in Term 2, with training to begin at lunchtimes once the team is selected.

Happy Birthday to all these students who celebrate a birthday in the holidays. We hope you all have a wonderful day!

Frankie Potter
Fabian Guterres
Chase Cornish
Kaylum Morrow
Bluebell Gorman
Lila Gutierrez
Jackson Ubaidillah

Easter Raffle Winners

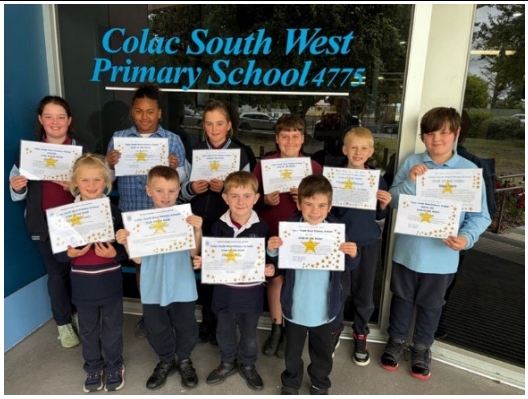
1st-Maverick Watts
2nd-Kobie Hughes
3rd-Onyx Morrow
4th-Kylie Rowe
5th-Butters family

THE RESILIENCE PROJECT™

Across the last two weeks all classrooms have been working on Lesson 4 from The Resilience Project. Our Prep students focused on empathetic listening and how it helps us show our school value of Care. Our Year 1 and 2 students explored viewing things from different points of view and treating others with kindness and compassion. Our Year 3 and 4s looked at ways we can show empathy and discussed social intelligence and social awareness. Lastly, our Year 5 and 6 students learnt how showing empathy and performing acts of kindness creates positive feelings and releases oxytocin.
https://theresilienceproject.com.au/family-hub-1/
This link provides you with some great resources to help you and your family discuss topics that students are learning about in The Resilience Project.

Stars of the Week

Room 11 **Miss Mills**	**Ravi Slater**
Room 5 **Mrs Ellis**	**Hector Hay**
Room 4 **Mrs Coles**	**Pippa Reimers**
Room 6 **Miss Rodgers**	**Phoenix O'Connell**
Room 7 **Miss Watts**	**Riley Vera**
Room 9 **Mr Coop**	**Ace Beasley**
Room 8 **Mrs Boyle**	**Zayli Reimers**
Room 10 **Mr Balboni**	**Aweng Atem**
Library **Mrs Allan**	**Ahliah Ross**
Music **Ms. Trewavas**	**Hudson Butters**
Art **Mrs Allan**	**Riley Vera**



2026 House Athletics Year Level Champions

Prep Champions

Girl	Martha Kleindienst
Boy	Jim Jeffs

Year 1 Champions

Girl	Pippa Reimers
Boy	Phoenix O'Connell

Year 2 Champions

Girl	Myra Williams
	Ruby Tosch
Boy	Josh Kirkman
	Peter Williamson
	Bodhi Gass

Year 3 Champions

Girl	Harper Baker
Boy	Foster Elliot

Year 4 Champions

Girl	Psalmody Twemlow
Boy	Amos Martin
	Ryder Saddington

Year 5 Champions

Girl	Rylee Campbell
Boy	Rhylan Hay

Year 6 Champions

Girl	Lily Higgins
Boy	Seth Currer

COLAC SOUTH WEST PRIMARY SCHOOL

PREP 2027
SCHOOL TOURS

Visit the Prep room, take a tour of the school and see firsthand the vibrant learning community we have.

JOIN US FOR A TOUR

TUESDAY 17TH MAR 2026 - 9.00AM
THURSDAY 19TH MAR 2026 - 9.00AM
THURSDAY 26TH MAR 2026 - 9.00AM
THURSDAY 30TH APR 2026 - 9.00AM

Individual tours welcome.
Call to make a personal appointment with the Principal - Mr Xavier Davis.

(03) 5232 1170

www.colac-sw-ps.vic.edu.au

SCHOOL HOLIDAY FUN

ILLUMINATE YOUR IMAGINATION. FUN FOR ALL AGES!

GLOW IN THE DARK GAMES AND CRAFT

OPEN TIMES

10AM TO 12:00PM FOR 6 TO 10 YEARS

1:00 TO 3:00PM FOR 11 TO 16 YEARS

ENTRY $5 PER CHILD

(FREE ENTRY FOR PARENTS SUPERVISING).

FRIDAY 17TH OF APRIL
COLAC LOG CABIN SCOUT HALL

CANTEEN AVAILABLE WITH SNACKS AND DRINKS FOR SALE

WEAR WHITE FOR EXTRA GLOW EXPERIENCE!

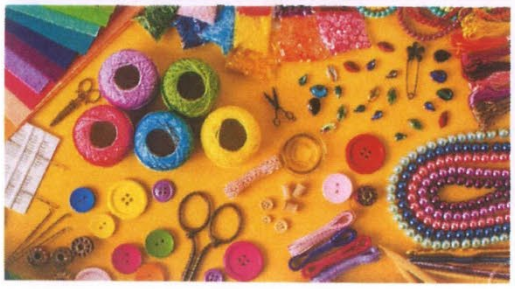
FUNDS RAISED SUPPORT 2ND COLAC SEA SCOUT GROUP AND THE COLAC LOG CABIN SCOUT HALL RESTORATION PROJECT.

Scouts AUSTRALIA

For further info contact gl.2ndcolac@scoutsvictoria.com.au or 2nd Colac Sea Scouts on Facebook

SCHOOL HOLIDAY PROGRAMS

GEELONG REGIONAL LIBRARIES



JOIN IN THE FUN AT COLAC COMMUNITY LIBRARY

We've got your kids covered these school holidays!

Explore our exciting range of events and activities covering literacy, STEM, social connections, and creative exploration. There is something to entertain children of all ages and interests.

Scan the QR code for the full details of all events on our website. Bookings open two weeks before school holidays start.

HOLIDAY TODDLER TIME
WED 8 Apr, 10:30am - 11:00am

REAL OR RIDICULOUS STORIES Preschool Story-time
WED 8 Apr, 2:30pm - 3:30pm

FACT OR FICTION: LOCH NESS MONSTER Ages 8-12
THU 9 Apr, 2:30pm - 3:30pm

TRASHION NEWSPAPER FASHION Ages 8:12
FRI 10 Apr, 2;30pm - 3:30pm

ROLL A STORY Ages 5+
MON 13 Apr, 10:30am - 11:30am

MIND BODY CIRCUS - presented by RICH ROYALE
TUE 14 Apr, 10:30am - 12:00pm Ages 5+

HOLIDAY TODDLER TIME
WED 15 Apr. 10:30am- 11:00am

www.grlc.vic.gov.au

TURN OVER

Western Eagles FNC NetSetGo Registrations are now open

Term 2
Thursdays 4.15-5pm
Irrewillipe Rec Reserve

Woolworths NETSETGO!

Make friends, have fun and grow with netball!

Registration Link

EASTER HOLIDAY PROGRAM

KELLY SPORTS 30 YEARS

THE BARWON VALLEY ACTIVITY CENTRE (BELMONT)

07 APR - 17 APR

KINDER - GRADE 6

$65 PER CHILD

8:00AM - 5:00PM

WHAT'S ON

- EASTER CHALLENGE DAY - THU 18th
- NERF WARS - FRI 11TH
- THE KELLY SPORTS GAMES - FRI 11TH

WHAT TO BRING

- A big packed lunch
- Large refillable drink bottle
- Hat & sunscreen.
- Dress in comfortable sports clothing!

NO PROGRAM ON THESE DATES

No sessions FRI 18th April (Good Friday), MON 21st April (Easter Monday), FRI 25th April (ANZAC Day)

WWW.KELLYSPORTS.COM.AU/GEELONG

CONTACT COACH NICK - 0497 770 909

JOIN US FOR A FUN-FILLED FREE EVENT AT LAKE COLAC FORESHORE

- Family friendly fishing comp with lots of prizes
- Kids fishing clinics
- Market stalls and food trucks
- Cooking demos and tastings
- Fish anatomy dissections
- Commercial carp fishing demo catching carp in Lake Colac
- Knot tying demos, fishing and outdoor swap meet, free giveaways and lots more!

SCAN ME!

nab AFL Auskick

4-7 YEAR OLDS*

Your introduction into Australian football centred around game-based activities kids love.

AFL Superkick

7-12 YEAR OLDS

Designed for any child to give it a go, with a focus on skill development and learning how to play the game.

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CENTRAL RESERVE

WEDNESDAY ALL GIRLS, 4-5PM, STARTS 22 APRIL

SUNDAY MIXED, 9-10AM, STARTS 26 APRIL

AUSKICK

AGES 4-7

ALL GIRLS GROUPS AVAILABLE

SUPERKICK

AGES 7-12

*Kids can join NAB AFL Auskick if they are turning 5 in the calendar year (before 31 December)

COLAC OTWAY
ROVERS
A.F.C.
GIRL
POWER!
Looking for girls in the following
age groups...
Under 13s (born 2013/14)
Under 15s (born 2011/12)
U13 - Sunday games
U15 - Saturday games
Find us on Facebook and stay up-to-
date with everything Rovers!
Contact the club for info or
to sign up!