NEWSLETTER

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Colac South West Primary School is a Child Safe School.

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5th June 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

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 – 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.

June	
Monday 8th June	King's Birthday Public Holiday
Wednesday 10th June	Colac Division Soccer – Selected Students
Monday 15th June	-Colac Division Girls AFL 9's Football -Colac Division Boys/Mixed Netball
Wednesday 17th June	Warrnambool Wildlife Excursion – P-2 School Council Meeting
Monday 22nd June – Wednesday 24th June	Kangaroobie Camp - Year 3 & 4
Thursday 25th June	Hot Dog Day – ran by JSC Celebration Assembly 2.15pm
Friday 26th June	Student Free Day – Parent Teacher Interviews

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Monday 2nd November	Student Free Day
Thursday 17th December	Students Last day of School - 3.15pm finish

Semester Reports & Parent Teacher Interviews

As we approach the end of Semester 1, families are advised that student reports will be released during the final week of term. Following advice received from the Department of Education's Regional Office, and as a result of industrial action undertaken by the Australian Education Union (AEU) during this reporting period, reports this semester will differ slightly from our usual format. Reports will continue to include student achievement against the Victorian Curriculum standards, attendance information and our effort and behaviour ratings. However, the written Personal and Social Development comment that families would normally receive will not be included in this semester's report. Instead, this information will be shared directly with families during our Parent Teacher Interviews on Friday 26th June. While our interviews traditionally focus primarily on Literacy and Numeracy progress, additional time will be set aside this semester for teachers to discuss each child's personal and social development, learning behaviours and overall progress at school. We understand that families value the insights provided through these comments and appreciate your understanding as we work within the requirements created by the industrial action while still ensuring parents receive meaningful feedback about their child's development. Parent Teacher Interview bookings will open early in the final week of term, most likely when reports are published on Monday. Further information regarding booking procedures and interview times will be communicated to families shortly.

Outstanding Success at the Year 5/6 Lightning Premiership

Last Friday, our Year 5/6 students represented Colac South West Primary School with pride at the AFL 9s and Netball Lightning Premiership. Unfortunately, I was unable to attend the day as I was in Melbourne attending the annual Victorian Government Schools Principals' Conference. However, I followed the results closely throughout the day and was incredibly proud of the efforts and achievements of our students. By all reports, our teams demonstrated excellent sportsmanship, teamwork, determination and resilience throughout the competition. These events provide a wonderful opportunity for students to challenge themselves, represent their school and build connections with students from across the region. Please see the detailed team reports below for a full recap of the day's action and achievements. Next up is Soccer on Wednesday (10th June) followed by Girls AFL & Mixed Netball on Monday 15th.

Regional Cross Country Success

Congratulations to the eight Colac South West Primary School students who recently represented our school at the Regional Cross Country Championships in Warrnambool. Accompanied by Mr Abeleven, our students competed against some of the strongest young runners from across South-Western Victoria.

Qualifying for a regional event is a significant achievement in itself, and our students should be extremely proud of the commitment and training they undertook to reach this level. The results were impressive, with all students demonstrating determination, perseverance and outstanding effort throughout their races.

Our results were:

- Sadie – 33rd, Maddie – 39th & Psalmody – 51st in 9/10yo Girls
- Sonny – 55th in 11yo Boys
- Zayli – 33rd, Lily – 39th & Eleesiah – 48th in 12/13 Girls
- Seth – 51st in 12/13 Boys

To finish amongst the top runners in the region is a fantastic achievement and reflects the hard work these students have put into their training over many weeks.

Best Wishes to Mr Balboni and Ms Baulch
Many students and families will be aware that **Mr Balboni** is currently away from school recovering from a serious knee injury sustained while playing soccer a few weeks ago. Room 10 have certainly missed having Mr Balboni in the classroom. With relief teacher shortages continuing across the region, there have been some unavoidable changes from day to day. I would like to acknowledge the fantastic way our students have adapted, showing flexibility, resilience and maturity throughout his absence. Meanwhile, **Ms Baulch** has escaped the winter weather and is currently competing at the Australian Open Bowls Championships in the Women's Singles competition. We wish her all the very best as she takes on some of the country's best bowlers in her quest to become Australian Champion. Good luck Ms Baulch!

Xavier Davis
Principal
Colac South West Primary School

Netball Lightning Premiership

On Friday 29 May, 18 Year 5/6 girls travelled to Eastern Reserve to compete in the Lightning Premiership. We had two teams playing, one in Division 2 and one in Division 3.
Both teams played really well throughout the day. They showed excellent sportsmanship, worked together as a team and always supported each other on and off the court.
Our Division 2 team had an amazing day, going undefeated in all five of our games. Our results were:
CSW 13 defeated Elliminyt 9
CSW 14 defeated Alvie 3
CSW 18 defeated Sacred Heart P.S. 4
CSW 21 defeated St Mary's 3
CSW 13 defeated Colac P.S. 9
After five games, our legs were feeling pretty tired, but we were excited to make it through to the Grand Final! The final was very close, with the scores tied at the end of regular time. After an intense overtime period, we came away with the win!
We are so proud of the way everyone played and represented our school. A big thank you to all the family members and supporters who came along to cheer us on throughout the day.
By Lily Higgins, Zayli Reimers and Eleesiah Gass

Colac Division AFL 9's Football

We entered a football team in the AFL 9's competition. We worked so hard and supported each other all day which produced 4 wins out of 5 games.
The game results-
CSW 79 def Polwarth 3
CSW 41 def Colac West 13
CSW 49 def St Mary's 2
CSW 9 lost to Sacred Heart 93
CSW 83 def Elliminyt 16.
Unfortunately, we missed out on finals by 0.4%.
Our 10 boys and 2 girls played sensationally all day and were excellent representatives of our school. We rotated roles and positions which meant we all had opportunities to kick goals and defend.
Thank you to Mrs Boyle for coaching and to Max for scoring and helping on the day.
We are extremely proud of our performances as it is the best we have done in many years.
By 5/6 Footballers

Room 11 **Miss Mills**	**Alita Barber**
Room 5 **Mrs Ellis**	**Jim Jeffs**
Room 4 **Mrs Coles**	**Ariana Everden**

Room 6 **Miss Rodgers**	**Fabian Guterres**
Room 7 **Miss Watts**	**Everyone in Room 7**
Room 10 **Mr Balboni**	**Emily Clark**
Library **Mrs Allan**	**Donald Graham**
Art **Mrs Allan**	**Chelxane Llubit**

Happy Birthday to these students. We hope you both have a wonderful day today!

Charlie Hill
Rhylan Hay

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BORN 2013, 2014 (U13)

OCR FM presents

The July Journal

A short story project open to all ages and abilities

Submit a short story (max 1000 words) for your chance to have it read out on air on OCR FM as part of our 5pm Stories program throughout the month of July.

Selected authors may choose to read their own story or have an OCR FM presenter read it for them.

There is no set theme or categories, but writing must be suitable for airplay between 6am and 6pm for a general listening audience.

Stories may also be made available as podcasts after broadcast.

*Entries must be submitted by **25th of June** to*

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We're excited to be back for a fun-filled School Holiday program including lots of sports, awesome games **& MUCH MORE!**

SPECIAL EVENT DAYS

NERF WARS - WED 1st July

NINJA WARRIOR - THU 2nd July
An additional **$23 incursion fee** applies for this day.

FUTSAL COMP - WED 8th July

RACQUET SPORT EXCURSION - THU 9th July
An additional **$10 excursion fee** applies for this day.

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SUNDAY 21 JUNE – U12/U14 1–2.30PM AND U16/U18 2.30–4PM
TUESDAY 23 JUNE – U12/U14 4–5.30PM AND U16/U18 5.30–7PM
$5 PER SESSION – REGISTRATIONS CLOSE FRIDAY 19 JUNE, 2026 AT 5.30PM
VENUE: BLUEWATER LEISURE CENTRE
ENQUIRIES: JRP@COLACBASKETBALL.COM.AU

The Colac Kookas Junior RepReady Basketball Sessions are designed to give every athlete an opportunity to put in some work before Colac Kookas Junior Representative tryouts begin.

Sessions will include both parent information and on-court training sessions.

Whether you're stepping into representative basketball for the first time or preparing for another season, these sessions are designed to help athletes feel prepared, confident, and ready to compete.

As part of the Colac Kookas Junior Representative pathway, sessions will focus on skill development, game-ready drills, and high-energy coaching to help players sharpen their game before tryouts. Athletes will build confidence, improve their basketball IQ, and give themselves the best chance to perform at their best when it matters most. Don't miss the opportunity to put in the work now and stand out later.

This program is suited to domestic U12, U14, U16 and U18 players who haven't previously been part of the representative program and are interested in trying out for rep basketball this season.