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Principal’s Report

From the Principal’s desk.....

Sporting Schools Program
We have been fortunate enough to secure funding for the ‘Sporting Schools’ program (the old ‘Active After School’) for terms 3 and 4 this year. This term we are offering ‘Ultimate Frisbee’ at the Colac Indoor Sports Centre for Years 3-6 on Monday and Soccer at EPS for Years Prep-3 on Thursday—both starting next week, running from 3:30-4:45pm. If you would like your child to be involved please collect a permission form from the office.

Earn and Learn
The Earn and Learn program kicked off at Woolworths stores last week and our box is sitting in the local store waiting for all your stickers! You can either pop them straight in the box in store, or stick them onto the booklet and bring the completed m to school. Either way, this is a great opportunity for our community to band together to earn resources for our school. The more you spend at Woolworths stores, the more educational items we can then redeem.

Surveys
Today each eldest child was given a parent survey on reports. As of the beginning of this year, schools can design their own reports with the format/program no longer being mandated by the Education Department. This is a great opportunity for us to look at what parents actually value in reporting and what information they’d like to receive, and adjust our processes accordingly. Your feedback is much appreciated!

If there are any 3/4 parents who haven’t yet returned their ‘3/4 Learning Community’ survey—please do so as soon as you can so we can start analysing that information.

The official ‘Parent Opinion Survey’ timeframe begins next week. For this, 40 families will be randomly chosen and the package sent home. This is yet another important facet of the continuous improvement cycle that schools work within to ensure they are best meeting the needs of their students and families.

If you have any questions or concerns regarding any of this information collection, please don’t hesitate to contact me at school.

Lone Pine commemoration
On August 6th at 11am the Colac branch of the RSL is holding a commemorative service at the local cemetery that will involve both our school captains, Trent and Zara, as well as our Student Representative Council representatives from each Year 3-6 classroom. The RSL branch would also like to welcome any interested parents, particularly veterans and/or their families to come along.

Please let us know at school if you would like to attend.

National Teaching Excellence Nomination
I am thrilled to announce that our own Miss Testa was nominated by a member of our school community for an ASG National Teaching Excellence Award!

This is a credit to Miss Testa and the work that she does each and every day with our students. It’s acknowledgement of the time, effort, care and passion she devotes to her profession and it also reflects that our parent community are aware of, and appreciate what teachers do. Well done and congratulations Miss Testa!

Angela Hall
Principal
**Canteen**

Friday 24th July, 2015

Morning Supervisor:
Danica Testa
9:00am: Karly Shaw, Ally Groves, Elizabeth Borsos

Afternoon Supervisor:
Janet Walters
12:30pm: Julie Walters, Kellie Bennett

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**UNIFORM ORDER**

- An order form was attached to last week's newsletter. If you wish to place an order please make sure your order form and money are back at the school office by this Friday 24th July.
- Thanks,
- Megan Doolan

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**BOOKFAIR**

Our annual Book Fair is on next week 28th, 29th and 30th July. Children and parents will be able to purchase books before or after school in the Library.

Remember if you purchase books from the Cow Lick Bookshop, mention that your are from Elliminyt PS and we will receive 10% of the proceeds for our Library.

Thank you,
Jane Watts

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**CAMPS, SPORTS & EXCURSIONS FUNDS—EXTENDED**

The ‘Camps, Sports and Excursions Fund’ to assist families to cover the expenses associated with school. We are able to apply for support through this fund to assist families who hold a Centrelink Health Care Card, Pensioner Concession Card or Veterans Affairs Gold Card. Families must have a valid card. Payments will be made directly to the school and will be credited to the student’s account. If you hold one of the above cards, please collect an application form from the school office. All applications must be lodged before September 11th, 2015.

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**BOOKCLUB**

Book club order forms were sent home yesterday. Orders can be placed in the box in the office. If you are paying by cheque please make it payable to ‘Scholastic’.

If you wish to order books without your child’s knowledge please mark this request very clearly on the order form.

You will be personally contacted when the orders arrive so that you can collect the books from the office.

Orders for this issue are due back on Friday 31st July.

Jane Watts

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**REEL HEALTH**

International Short Film Festival

Featuring a selection of captivating short films from all over the world, reel health showcases stories of courage and inspiration, brimming with hope, strength, friendship and survival.

- **Date:** Thursday 13th August
- **Time:** 6.45pm for a 7pm screening start
- **Venue:** Colac Cinema
- **Cost:** Free

Bookings essential: http://trybooking.com/HYPP

Information: Erin McClusky: 52325347
Or emclusky@cah.vic.gov.au

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**OCR FM PRESENTS A CHRISTMAS IN JULY**

**WINTER WARMER**

**COMMUNITY DINNER**

5.30pm Saturday July 25th
At the Log Cabin Scout Hall

Featuring a Christmas in July raffle, Carol-Along and visit from Santa

Entry $10 per person or $30 per family

Please bring a casseroles dinner to share.

Bookings are essential—warm dessert provided.

For more information please phone 52321991 or visit www.ocrfm.org.au

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3/4’S RESEARCHING ABOUT THE SEASONS
STUDENT AWARDS

Prep Phoenix B for showing respect both inside and outside the classroom. Well done Phoenix!

P/1H Adam H-B for being a respectful student and friend. Fantastic.

1T Richie G for making a fantastic start to term 3! Keep it up!

2G Toby S for an excellent first week at EPS making friends, having a go and learning about our values.

5H Lori P for working hard on Literacy tasks and achieving excellent results!

6H Hayden C for always doing his personal best. Keep it up!

Art Jai W for always showing respect and striving to achieve his personal best.

Sport Hudson D for respect for others in the PE program.

Indonesian Monique F for great enthusiasm, knowledge and behaviour.

School Value Jayden P for working more independently, showing an excellent attitude towards his learning using all of the school values. Well done.

Uniform Award—Goes to 2G for the most days in full school uniform during Week 1 of Term 3!

Principal’s Award

This week the Principal’s Award goes to Leah P.

Leah is a respectful, polite young lady who demonstrates all of our school values—Respect, Responsibility, Honesty, Personal Best.

Well done Leah—keep up the good work!
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