Save the date!
Next Friday will be our Spring Working Bee! Starting straight after school, we need as many hands as possible to complete some small jobs around our yard, such as weeding, whipper snipping and poisoning so that our school grounds reflect how proud we are of our school! All parents/grandparents/uncles/aunts etc are encouraged to come along and provide as much or as little assistance as they can.

Social Media Policy
This is the last week for feedback on our Social Media Policy before it goes to School Council for formal ratification. A reminder that our ENTIRE SCHOOL COMMUNITY is affected by this policy and must adhere to it. Please ensure you read through it and understand the impact it has. Additional copies are available at the office, or via our Skoolbag App.

ICT purchase and sale
Part of the Gonski funding for next year will go towards the purchase of new computers to replace our XO units. The XOs have come to the end of their 2 year ‘viability timeframe’ in our school setting, and as such will be offered to our school community to purchase. The units will be sold for $35 each and will include some spare parts (subject to availability). They will be available for collection in the last week of this term, but orders can be placed any time from now on. The units will be serviced and checked by our technicians prior to sale to ensure they are fully operational. The funds collected from the sale of the XOs will go towards the cost of our new units. If you have any questions regarding the XOs, please contact myself.

Bully Surveys
This week we are completing the last of our ‘Bully Surveys’ for the year. These are conducted by Mrs Hulonce routinely in order to identify patterns of behaviour and ‘hot spots’ in our school grounds. It’s a great opportunity to discuss with your children what bullying is, and isn’t, and what acceptable and unacceptable behaviours are at school. The Department of Education and Training have great resources for both schools and parents around this issue and these are available at:

Bullying is defined as "repeated verbal, physical, social or psychological aggressive behaviour by a person that is intended to cause harm, distress or fear".
If there are students who are identified in a bully survey more than 3 times across our school, parents are contacted and the issues discussed. We take a restorative approach to incidents across our school where both parties discuss the incident, with the harm identified and acknowledged and a mutual agreement made about the way forward. This is a highly effective, evidence based approach, supported by the Victorian Government that fosters positive relationships between students.

Uniform
Of late A LOT of students have been wearing sneakers, or other non-uniform shoes to school. It is an expectation that ALL students and families adhere to our Uniform Policy as it is set down by School Council. Students are only permitted to wear their sneakers to school on PE/Sport days as follows: Thursday — Year 5, Prep S, 2G and 3/4R. Friday — Year 6, P/1C, 1T and 3/4T.
If you are having difficulty with the purchase of appropriate uniform please come and speak to either myself or Denise Hulonce regarding ways we can assist you. As we are approaching the end of the school year, we understand that shoes may be at the end of their ‘life’ however, correct uniform is still an expectation and an example of our school value of RESPECT.

Reminder
A reminder that this FRIDAY, the 6th of November is the Colac Show Day holiday. Our school will be closed on this day as it is the gazetted public holiday for our shire.
Another special event is occurring this weekend — our own Miss Roesler is going to morph into Mrs Slater! Nicole and Casey will be married this weekend and she will return to work on Tuesday. I’m sure our entire school community join me in wishing them both all the very best for this very special event in their lives!

Angela Hall
Principal
Canteen
NO SCHOOL
DUE TO COLAC
SHOW HOLIDAY

P - 2 Aussie Arts Picnic
As part of our study of Australia and the Arts
students in grades Prep, 1 and 2 are invited to
come to school on Tuesday 10th of November
dressed in an Aussie themed costume (such as
an Australian celebrity, animal or icon). After
school there will be an ‘Aussie Picnic’ and pa-
rade. Students do not need to bring any food
for the picnic, as it will be supplied.
We will also have some local performers giving
a concert of some famous Aussie tunes.
Students may be collected from the Outdoor
Classroom area at 5:30pm.
Thanks,
Jonathan, Hollie, Jarrod & Norma

Susan McLean - Cyber Safety

PARENT/CARER INFORMATION EVENING
MONDAY 9th NOVEMBER 7pm
at COLAC SECONDARY COLLEGE
Gold Coin donation – Light supper provided
Cyberbullying - Sexting - Problematic Internet Use - Common
Internet Acronyms - Internet Safety Tips for Teachers, Parents &
Carers - What can I do if my child is being cyber bullied?
Susan McLean is Australia’s foremost expert in the area of cyber safety
and young people and was a member of Victoria Police for 27 years.
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For more information please do not hesitate to contact Colac Secondary College on
(03) 52319800 or go to Susan’s Web page http://www.cybersafetysolutions.com.au/
index.shtml
EVERYONE WELCOME
STUDENT AWARDS

Prep  Charlie T for striving to achieve his personal best in all that he does.
P/1C  Tiffia H for being a model student and creating an amazing dot painting in Integrated Studies.
1T   Bailee R for writing an absolutely outstanding narrative. Keep up the terrific work!
2G   Toby S for his role model behaviour and willingness to have a go.
3/4R  Sarsha F for being an absolute all rounder giving all her learning 110% effort! Awesome effort!
3/4T  Keely B for having a red hot shot at all of her testing and for being a considerate class member.
6H   Emily R for an enthusiastic and energetic performance in Bike Ed in Week 1. Great stuff Robbo!
Sport Jacob K for his high level of traffic awareness, skills and teamwork in Bike Ed.

ICAS Awards

Well done to Hayden S, Zainab B, Eliza W and Lori P who all participated in the International Competitions and Assessments for Schools 2015 tests across the areas of Science, Maths, English and Spelling. All students were presented with Participation certificates this week at assembly in recognition of their respective achievements.
THANKYOU

1T would like to say a HUGE THANKYOU to Yvonne (Natalie & Annalise's Grandma) for coming in to our classroom and teaching us how to draw Heron waterbirds. We learnt so much and had a lot of fun using oil pastels and water colour paint. We appreciate you volunteering your time to help us learn!

Thanks again,
Miss Testa
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