2016!
I’m delighted to be able to announce our staffing profile for 2016 following the appointment of Ms Hailey Griffiths to our staff team. The grade structure and teacher allocation is as follows:

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<td>Physical Education—Mr Heath Hackett</td>
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As a result of the Gonski equity funding for next year, we will also be running a Literacy and Numeracy Intervention program for students right across Prep to Year 6 who require additional support to meet benchmarks. This is a huge plus for our school and is set to benefit many of our students. Ms Sarah Handscomb and Mrs Caroline McCallum will provide this specialised teaching for our students.

In 2016 we will welcome 40 new Prep students! Due to our increased student numbers we are running a 5th junior classroom which will operate out of the current Library space.

Head Checks
As the spring weather peaks, so do the Head Lice! There have been a few reports lately of active lice, so please ensure you check and treat your child regularly as required to stay on top of the little critters! We will be conducting head checks at school next week.

Remember—as per our policy, if live lice are sighted at school, we require parents to collect their child (and check other family members) straight away.

Music Lessons
Unfortunately, due to the cessation of funding, Music Stars is no longer able to offer music lessons in 2016. At this stage, we are in discussions with the current teacher to continue on, providing private lessons. In order to proceed further with these discussions, we need an indication of how many students may be interested in pursuing music lessons for 2016. If this is appropriate for you, please complete the slip in this newsletter and return it to school. This is by no means a commitment, but purely an indication of interest. Piano lessons will continue with Mrs Pam Radcliffe—please contact her on 52314194 if interested.

Early arrivals
Of late there have been a number of children arriving well before the required time of 8:45am. Children are NOT supervised in the yard prior to 8:45am and the school holds no official duty of care for students (with the exemption of bus travellers) prior to this time.

XOs
Thank you to those families who have contacted us about purchasing an XO—these will be available for collection in the last week of school this year. If you are interested in purchasing but have not been in touch yet, please let us know at the office so we can ensure a unit is allocated for you. Units are $35 each, including a charger.

School Captaincy
I was delighted this week to find we have 9 applicants for our 2016 School Captain positions. The role of School Captain is a highly coveted and valued role in our community. Those 9 young aspiring leaders will present themselves at our assembly next week. I encourage everyone to come along and support them.

Angela Hall
Principal
Canteen
Friday 27th November, 2015
Morning Supervisor: Sallee Sell
9:00am: Elizabeth Borsos, Karly Shaw, Ally Groves
Afternoon Supervisor: Kerrin Irvine
12:30pm: Emma/Dave, Kellie Bennett

PARENTS AND FRIENDS NEWS
Christmas Raffle— We are now looking for volunteers to help sell the raffle tickets outside Woolworths in December. Please let us know if you have a few hours spare. The prizes are fantastic; Bimbi parks luxury cabin and rock climbing, Otway fly zip line experience, Supertramp tickets, $500 Big4 Camping Voucher, a Wonkey Donkey Meal voucher and lots more. Keep the Christmas items coming for our hampers too!

Thank you.
Kerrin Irvine,
President

ART ROOM INFORMATION
Any children who have a piece of artwork at home that they wish to enter into the Colac Secondary College Art Exhibition will need to bring it to school this week. Please make sure your name and school are on the back. The exhibition is on display during orientation week in December.

Thanks,
Caroline McCallum

THANK YOU FROM 1T
1T would like to say a massive THANK YOU to Kate and Bonnie Shepherd (Rebecca’s mum and sister) for volunteering their time to come in and teach us about photography. We had an awesome time taking photos around the school of patterns, plants, portraits, colours and things that make us happy. We will share photos soon to show you the fantastic things we were able to photograph.

Thanks again,
Miss Testa and 1T

LAST UNIFORM ORDER FOR 2015
The last uniform order for the year was sent home with last week’s newsletter. If you wish to place an order please send the order form and money to the school office by this Friday 27th November.

Thanks,
Megan

2016 MUSIC LESSONS EXPRESSION OF INTEREST

Name: .................................................................
Instrument: .............................................................
STUDENT AWARDS

Prep  Tyler F for his positive and enthusiastic approach to learning. Keep up the great effort!
P/1C  Kayden P for using the 5L’s, doing his personal best and showing respect towards others throughout the week!
1T  Charlie G for writing a terrific recount about the ‘Aussie Picnic’!! Keep up the terrific work.
2G  Austin D for detailed illustrations just like Graeme Base.
3/4S  Tahlia S for adopting and demonstrating our school values with pride on your smooth transition to EPS.
5H  Ebony H for being on time to carry out her classroom job.
6H  Makayla B for making good choices and being a great role model of all our school values.
Science  Tiffia H for always demonstrating all the school values; Respect, responsibility, honesty and personal best.
Sport  Angus Z for leadership and helping others in the Sporting Schools program.
Art  Tiffia H for always being fantastic and the best that she can be.
School Value  Riley G for showing responsibility, asking and answering questions in class. Well done.

BIKE ED CHALLENGE TEAM 2015

Mr Cliff McAliece attended assembly on Monday to present our 2015 Bike Ed Challenge team with their participation medals and shield.
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