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From the Principal’s desk.....

Dates, dates, dates!
It’s a busy term already and there are a number of dates parents need to note:

- **Athletics Carnival** next week—Friday 6th of March. If anyone is able to assist on the day, please let us know at the office.
- **Parent Teacher Interviews**—Tuesday 10th of March. Time preference sheets sent home today.
- **Year 3/4 Camp to Queenscliff**—Thursday and Friday 19th and 20th of March.

EPS Website
Thank you to those parents who alerted us to the problem with our website. We are currently addressing this issue and hope to have it up and running very soon. Wonderful to see how many of you access and use our website!

Working with Children Check
It is a requirement that any person fulfilling voluntary work, be it classroom assistance, camp/excursions, canteen etc, has a Working with Children Check. This is a quick, easy process that is free for volunteers. We encourage all our parents to complete this process so it is easy for you to be involved in your child’s education, and our school in general.

Head Lice
In order to continue with our vigilance around head lice we require some parent volunteers to assist with the termly checks. If you have the time (we can provide the training) please let us know at the office. The more people we have, the quicker and easier the process will be.

School Council Nominations
Nominations close at 5pm TODAY for our 5 Parent Category Member vacancies. If you are interested, please give us a call at school, or speak to Sallee Sell, School Council President.

School Photos
Thank you to everyone who made a special effort to look extra smart on photo day last week. Our students looked very swish in their uniform and we were fortunate enough to have our group shots outside in the beautiful weather so we’re hoping they turn out nicely.

Year 6 tops
Our Year 6s were incredibly fortunate to receive their new tops in time for the photos—don’t they look smart!

Many thanks to Megan for coordinating this for our kids.

Angela Hall
Principal
Prep  Rhys C for his outstanding organisation and willingness to assist others. Well done Rhys.
P/1H  Tahni-Lee C for being a confident organised student with a big smile and always trying to fill peoples’ buckets!
1T  Rebecca S for being an absolutely fantastic listener!!
2G  Isabella K for using her task time productively and challenging herself to learn more with each task!
3/4R  Joel F for always giving his personal best in all of his learning and for working super hard to learn new sounds in his reading and writing.
3/4T  Machrie I for always being a good sport and for displaying our school Value - ‘honesty’. Keep it up, Mach!
5H  Jai C for his effort in all areas of his schoolwork.
6H  Troy M for an attitude change like no other! Keep it up Troy.
Indonesian  Adriana S for enthusiasm and participation in Indonesian.
Art  Manaia B for her positive attitude, great work ethic and helpfulness.
Sport  Liam V for outstanding shot put and discus technique.

Attendance Award — This week goes to 3/4T for excellent attendance in Week 4 of Term 1! Congratulations 3/4T!

Principal’s Award

This week’s Principal’s Award goes to Jed Christian!

Jed is a very respectful and polite young man who has made an excellent transition to Elliminyt Primary School. We are very pleased to have you here Jed!

Keep up the great work!
Canteen

Friday 27th February, 2015

Morning Supervisor:
Nita Carson
9:00am: Rose Cole, Elizabeth Borsos, Ally Groves

Afternoon Supervisor:
Janet Walters
12:30pm: Karen Harrington, Kellie Bennett

WANTED—MENTORS

We are looking for grandparents who have an hour a week spare and would be willing to mentor one of our students. This may include supporting with reading, exchanging stories, supporting work on topics in class or other areas of interest. All that’s required is a ‘Working With Children Check’. If you are interested, or know of anyone who would be, please contact Denise Hulonce at school.

KANA 2015

The Kana theme this year is ‘How does your garden grow’ and the parade will be on Saturday 14th March at 1:00pm. Every year our entry in the Kana Parade is well received and popular with the students who love to participate in this whole school/community event. This year the children are encouraged to dress up as gardeners, farmers or any piece of fresh produce that can be grown in a paddock or garden – you can get some great ideas by googling fruit or vegetable costumes. There will be no time set aside for making costumes at school so these will need to be made at home. If you require any materials for costumes please get in touch with me and I will help out if I possibly can. Our entry in the parade will follow the paddock to plate theme and all classes are beginning to work on props in art this week. We will be using our two larger than life puppets again this year, which will require 6 willing parents to wear/support them. Further details regarding the parade will be published in the newsletter as they become available. I am looking forward to a successful joint venture with students, parents and teachers. Caroline McCallum.

My child/ren will/will not be participating in the Kana Parade on Saturday 14th March at 1:00 pm.

I am/am not available to assist on the day.

The EPS Art Gallery has reopened this week with a stunning display of assemblage artworks. Please call by and check it out when you can.

AusKICK

The 2015 Auskick season will be getting underway in late April. You can register online and packs will be mailed directly to you. Register and pay by April 20th, and you will receive 2 adults and 2 children’s tickets to a selected AFL game. Go to www.aflauskick.com.au

Remember to sign up under the correct Grade:
Grade 6: Colac Red
Grade 5: Colac Blue
Grade 4: Colac Gold
Grade 2: Colac Mini League—Central
Grade 1: Colac Mini League—South
Prep: Colac Yellow

TERM DATES

Term 1—29th Jan to 27th March
Term 2—13th April to 26 June
Term 3—13 July to 18 Sept
Term 4—5th Oct to 18th Dec
Term 1 2016—28th Jan to 24 March

ICAS Order form—last chance!

Please complete the below information and return to school with payment in an envelope clearly labelled with ICAS and student name.

Student Name: ___________________________ Year: ___________________________

Test name: & cost: (add more if required)
1. ___________________________
2. ___________________________
3. ___________________________

Money enclosed: ___________________________
**SRC NEWS**
The SRC are organising fundraiser to raise money to help research into Leukaemia. Students are invited to dress up on the last day of term. The theme will be "What I want to be". More information in next week's newsletter.

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**CLEAN UP AUSTRALIA DAY THIS SUNDAY**
2nd Colac Sea Scout Group invite you to our Clean Up Australia Day event this Sunday at the Lake Colac Foreshore. We will be meeting at the 2nd Colac Sea Scout Hall, down near the Yacht Club from 10:30am until midday this Sunday. Please wear suitable clothing and footwear, as well as a pair of gloves. More information can be found on the 2nd Colac Sea Scout Group Facebook page or contact Jonathan on 0439 329 713.

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**TOTALLY SPORT**
**LIVE. LOVE. SPORT.**
Totally Sport hits Colac this Easter!!
1 day total sport program for kids in Grades 3 - 6 based out of Colac Central Reserve.
Delivered by experienced, quality coaches he program suits kids of all abilities and includes AFL, Netball, Soccer, Lawn Bowls.
Don’t miss out as spaces are limited to 50 kids

**BOOK NOW!**
For more information contact Michael at Leisure Networks 5224 9140 or michael@leisurenetworks.org
(or a detailed schedule of the day please visit www.leisurenetworks.org)

**ALL YOU NEED TO KNOW**
**DATE** Wednesday April 1
**WHERE** Colac Central Reserve
**TIME** – 4.00pm—8.30
**BYO** lunch,
Morning and afternoon tea supplied

**BOOK ONLINE** www.trybooking.com/122991 **COST** $50
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