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From the Principal’s desk.....

Athletics Carnival!
This FRIDAY is our annual Athletics Carnival. This year it’s to be held at the South Colac Recreation Reserve due to the redevelopment of our oval. We are still calling for any parent helpers who can lend a hand with our BBQ lunch—if you’re available please let us know at the office.
We also welcome as many parents, grandparents, neighbours, aunts and uncles to come and cheer on our kids—the more, the merrier!
On this day children need to wear their house colours and appropriate footwear—uniform is not required. Attached to the newsletter you will find a program for the day which will give you an idea of the times of events—remember they are just an indication. A BBQ will also be available on the day—no pre orders are required, just purchase on the day for both students and families alike!
Looking forward to seeing every one there—participating and having a great day!

Parent Teacher Introductory Meetings
The first meetings for the year are being held next week on Tuesday, between 2pm and 6pm. This is an opportunity for parents/carers to share what they know about their child with our teachers. Teachers will also be able to provide some feedback as to how children have settled into the routine of the new academic year. It is too early at this stage to have a meaningful discussion about student’s academic progress, this will come at the mid year meetings. These meetings are limited to 10 minutes—please be aware of this time allocation to allow the smooth running of teacher’s schedules in order to minimise inconvenience to families. If you require more time, please make an alternative arrangement with the teacher involved.
Thank you to those families that returned the preference sheet—confirmation of your times will be sent home tomorrow. If you were unable to return your preference sheet, please contact your child’s classroom teacher for any available times.

Policies
Our school policies are reviewed on a 3 year cycle and at the moment we are working on the Homework, Student Leadership and Parent Payments policies. These are available for your perusal on our school app, or you can obtain a copy from the school office. We value our school community feedback in this process so please feel free to speak to me regarding any concerns.

Camps
Our Year 3/4 camp is coming up very quickly, and our Year 5/6 camp will follow in no time! We recognise that financial implications of camps for families can be difficult to manage and we are more than happy to support families with payment plans in order to maximise attendance for our students. If you are experiencing difficulty, don’t hesitate to contact either myself, or Lorraine Cole, Business Manager.

Grounds Development
No doubt you are aware of our current oval development which is progressing nicely. As part of further beautification of our school grounds more work will continue over the coming weeks, and particularly so in the March/April school holidays. We are asking families if you have any plants that you think would be suitable for our grounds and you’re happy to donate them, we would very much appreciate it!

Angela Hall
Principal
Student Awards!

Prep  Libby M for being focussed during independent task time. Keep up the good work!
P/1H  Koby O for being a caring and thoughtful team member!
1T    Reegan W for settling in so well and ALWAYS trying his personal best!
2G    Ella M for fantastic focus and detail making her gingerbread man.
3/4R  Kiara S for producing high quality work and always striving for her personal best. Keep it up!
3/4T  Annalise L for all of her fabulous learning behaviours and for her great work in understanding ‘author’s purpose’ this week.
5H    Charlotte D-V for her amazing resilience and ability to bounce back.
6H    Alana J for being a thoughtful and caring person to her classmates as well as being an extremely hard working team member.
Indonesian Ella W for enthusiasm and high achievement in ‘Indonesian”.
Art   Richie G for his great positive attitude and never ending support for his team mates.
Sport Ella M for showing leadership and being a role model to others.
Values Award Tinnel D for showing responsibility towards her tasks, her buddy and for showing confidence when speaking to groups of people.
Canteen

Friday 6th March, 2015

NO CANTEEN SAUSAGE SIZZLE AT ATHLETICS DAY.

$2.00 PER SAUSAGE
$1.50 PER PRIMA

Parents & Friends

It’s time again for our Easter Raffle we would appreciate if families could donate an item for our hampers. Donations of eggs, baskets, chocolate, stuffed bunnies or anything related to Easter can be dropped off to the office. Raffle books were sent home with today’s newsletter.

Hot Cross Bun Fundraiser

Order forms were sent home last week. If any family can donate eggs for the making of our Hot Cross Buns could they please be left at the office.

We will be baking our buns on Sunday 22nd March at Colac Secondary College. If you are able to help for an hour or two please leave your name and number at the office.

Science Fun

Kana 2015

The Kana theme this year is ‘How does your garden grow’ and the parade will be on Saturday 14th March at 1:00 pm. 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.

Freak Night Kids Disco

Don’t let the name put you off. Freak Night is a spooky themed dress-up disco run by 2nd Colac Cub Scouts for kids aged 6 to 11. Come and have some fun on Friday 13th of March at the Otway Plains District Scout Hall (Log Cabin, down behind the Police Station).

For more information contact Kathy on 52 348 376.
ELLIMINYT PRIMARY SCHOOL ATHLETICS DAY!
FRIDAY 6th MARCH

The school house sports will be held on Friday 6th March at South Colac Recreation Reserve commencing at 9:45am for Years 3-6 and 12noon for Years Prep to 2.

The program for the day is as follows:

### Years 3-6

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Parents are welcome to take their child home from the Athletics Carnival – please advise your child’s classroom teacher before leaving.
Thank you to our sponsors....