**SCHOOL PHOTOS – Friday February 27**th

Please read the following information.

*CORRECT MONEY MUST BE PLACED INSIDE PHOTO-ORDER ENVELOPES* NO CHANGE WILL BE AVAILABLE AT THE SCHOOL OFFICE ON PHOTO DAY.

Please remember:
- each student must present their own envelope to Photographer on Photo Day – even if money is included in brother’s/sister’s envelope
- you can place the total payment in one envelope, just indicate that on the envelopes
- family concession – parents with 3 or more children attending school only pay for 2
- family envelopes can be collected at office for those parents interested in purchasing a family photograph. The eldest in the family should have the envelope and will collect other members of the family when required on day

**WE STRONGLY ENCOURAGE CHILDREN TO WEAR SCHOOL UNIFORM**

**PREPS FULL TIME**

As of next week all Preps come to school every day. Testing has finished and we thank Miss Menzies for her work in this important area. Thankyou to parents for your assistance with this process also.

**‘Student of the Week Award’**

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**KANA 2015**

SATURDAY 14TH MARCH

THEME: ‘HOW DOES YOUR GARDEN GROW?’

Kana is on Saturday March 14th. We again have a truck at our disposal thanks to the Wilson family. Parents are welcome especially with decorating the truck on Saturday morning. Permission forms will go home with students next week.

We will dress as flower –pot people and scarecrows. So start planning your costume now!

**CHAPLAINCY PERMISSION**

Our Chaplains at Colac West, Andrew and Jenny, are an integral part of our school community. Their work is invaluable in supporting students, teachers and families. Due to Government directives, we now need a permission slip, signed, for all students to access the program. It is of great benefit for ALL students to have this access. Please fill out and sign the Chaplaincy form that went home with all students last week and return to school as soon as possible. If you have misplaced it, there are more at the Office.

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PEANUT REMINDER
Please remember that we are asking everyone to leave peanuts and peanut butter sandwiches as home food options. Please leave them out of school lunches.

THE BIG WRITE – THURSDAY’S AT 11:30
V is for VOCABULARY
C is for CONNECTORS
O is for OPENERS
P is for PUNCTUATION

WORKING BEE
We are having a ‘clean up’ working bee on Sunday March 15th between 10:00am and 12:00pm. This is the weekend before the Autumn Harvest Fair so we are taking the opportunity to have a general grounds clean up, garden maintenance and of course, a major clean in the vegetable garden. Any help from our school community would be greatly appreciated.

SCHOOL INSURANCE
Colac West, as is the case with most schools does not have a whole-of-school insurance policy, so parents need to be reminded that: parents/guardians of students, who do not have student accident insurance, are responsible for paying the cost of medical treatment for injured students, including the cost of ambulance attendance/transport and any other transport costs; and parents/guardians can purchase insurance policies from commercial insurers. The Department does not hold insurance for personal property brought to schools and it has no capacity to pay for any loss or damage to such property.

SCHOOLS CLEAN UP DAY
National Schools Clean Up Day is coming up on Friday February 27th. All classes will be involved in cleaning up our school grounds (infants) and immediate surrounding streets (middle & upper). This will happen after School Photos are completed. Our 4/5 class was involved with Andrew Barber in a “Clean Up’ activity yesterday.

STUDENT ACTIVITIES
Miss Menzies and Miss Moore’s classes received their new Pendo Tablets this week. Students and teachers have been busy learning how to operate them. Hopefully Mrs Jackson’s class will also have a set next week. Our 4/5 class had a ‘Clean Up’ activity near the Lake with Andrew Barber on Wednesday. This is part of the Schools Clean Up Australia program that we all will help out with tomorrow. Parent Interviews are on this afternoon at school. School photos are happening in the morning so please be on time and in full school uniform. The ‘Wiggles’ group from CSC are presenting a show to our Preps also, that delivers a safety message. Next week assembly is back to Friday and Rupert heads off to the swimming trials in Geelong. Thankyou.

SCHOOL CONTRACT BUS SAFETY RULES
Students will:
• Behave in an orderly fashion while waiting at the bus stop
• Behave in an orderly fashion while travelling on the bus
• Travel only on the allocated bus
• Obey the drivers’ instructions
• Remain seated for the whole journey

Students will not:
• Distract the attention of the driver at any stage of the journey
• Fight on the bus or at any bus stop or bus interchange
• Use foul language
• Vandalise the bus
• Use or take on the bus any illegal objects or substances
• Engage in any teasing or bullying of other bus travellers
• Approach the bus until it has completely stopped
• Attempt to board or leave the bus while it is still moving
• Play ball games in and around
• Ride bikes, scooters or skateboards in and around bus interchanges
• Run in and around interchanges

All enquiries(country runs) information please contact Colac Secondary College the bus coordinating school on 5231 9800.

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TOWN BUS ENQUIRIES
For all Town Bus please contact Christians Bus Lines on 5231 2203.

AUTUMN FAIR
The Autumn Fair is fast approaching - Friday March 20th between 4:30pm and 8:00pm. Please keep this date free to attend this activity which is presented by hard working members within our school community.

PARENT INTERVIEWS
Thanks to everyone who was able to attend the interviews today. The ‘interview’ is a chance to build understanding and communication between home and school. Now that it is over ...
• Talk with your child
• Stress the good things and be direct about any problems.
• Act on any teacher suggestions.
• Keep working with the teacher by staying in touch.

If you were unable to attend and would still like an interview, please contact the school. Children respond positively to knowing that the important adults in their life are working together.

YEAR 3/4 QUEENSCLIFF CAMP
This year the Year 3 and 4 children will be attending a camp at Queenscliff. This enhances our Humanities studies based on the Sea and Marine Life. The Camp will be on Thursday the 19th & Friday the 20th of March. Children will participate in different activities while at Queenscliff. The cost of the camp is $125. Please think about your child attending this camp.

As the camp is getting closer we need to have the payment finalised by 13th March. Note coming home today.

WANTED
OLD JARS WITH LIDS FOR MRS JACKSON FOR OUR AUTUMN FUN FAIR.
SCHOOL COUNCIL MEMBERS FOR 2015

PRINCIPAL:
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PRESIDENT:
Anthony McDonald

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Katrina Hammond
Craig Ware
Judy Jackson
Peter Nelson
Corey Beckett
Connie Wilson
Tony Benson
Rod Swayn
Yasna Russell
Adam Chambers
Andrew Barber

Finance
Buildings & Grounds
Curriculum / Policy

Date: Next Meeting
Wednesday 18th March, 2015 at 7.30pm

Community News

Junior Golf Clinic
@ Colac Golf Club
Saturday 1st March 9.00-10.00
Primary and Secondary School Students
For the cost of $10, participants will receive a 1-hour coaching session from
Thomas School of Golf, BBQ, a drink and a gift from Maurie Nielsen Foundation.
The first 50 to register at our Proshop will receive a one-year free membership.
Existing members are invited to attend at no charge.
[Proshop is open weekdays from 8.30-5.30pm, except for Thursday]
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