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KANA 2015
SATURDAY 14TH MARCH
THEME:
‘HOW DOES YOUR GARDEN GROW?’
Kana is on this Saturday March 14th. Thanks to all who have returned permission forma and are coming. Children will represent things to do with the garden, with a scarecrow and pot plant theme. Dress up as what you want to be but please remember a sunsmart approach to costumes. We meet at school at 12.15 and the Parade starts at 1pm. Parents are welcome especially with decorating the truck on Saturday morning.

‘Student of the Week Award’
Principal’s Award
Tyler Parsons
PREP: Menzies
Archer Zappelli
1 / 2: Moore
Siobhan Hay
2/3 Gray/Ware
Emily Bailey
4 / 5: Jackson
Jack Blazely
Yr 5/6 Cole
Sarah Morrow
Arts
Regan Jacques
Library
Angela Hay

FREE PREMIERS’ READING CHALLENGE CALENDAR
Don’t miss your FREE giant calendar poster in the Herald Sun on Tuesday 17 March. Featuring key Challenge dates, literacy events, fun facts, popular authors’ birthdays and tips, it’s a great way for parents and children to track their reading progress, count down the days and stay motivated throughout the Challenge.
For more information on the Challenge visit: www.education.vic.gov.au/prc

WORKING BEE
We are having a garden and vegetable garden ‘clean up’ working bee this Sunday March 15th between 10:00am and 12:00pm. Any assistance from our school community would be greatly appreciated.

YEAR 3/4 CAMP
Year 3/4 will leave next Thursday morning at 9 am for Queenscliff and return Friday 3pm. Notes have gone home regarding clothes list, medical requirements etc. All money due tomorrow-please finalise if you haven’t already done so.
HOUSE ATHLETICS
Our House Athletics will be tomorrow Friday, March 13th, between 11:30 to 1:30. Parents are most welcome to attend. If there are any parents who could assist us at this time it would be most appreciated. Contact Mr Cole if you are able to help out on the day for a couple of hours. From this day, several students will be selected to go on to the Division Athletics at the Central Reserve on Monday March 23rd. Please wear appropriate clothing and footwear tomorrow.

AUTUMN FAIR
After a tremendous amount of preparation, Autumn Fair Day is nearly here. A dedicated group have produced a big effort to make this happen, so come along and support your school community at the Fair. There have been many contributors from within and outside our school community and we thank them for supporting us. Activities start from 4:30pm and conclude by 8:00pm so it would be tremendous to see as many as possible attend. The activities, performances, stalls, competitions and displays are many and varied. Good luck to all involved and we hope you get reward and support for your effort. Also that the weather is kind to us once again!

THE BIG WRITE –
Most students can succeed as writers far beyond levels usually expected for their age, this is more evident when they are taught the skills of writing scientifically... VCOP does exactly this. By providing a framework for students on the ways they can improve their writing, it encourages them to take the risks and do exactly that, improve! The improvement rate of who use the Big Write program is quick, continuous and inspiring.

SCHOOL COUNCIL
The Annual Meeting of School Council is to be held next Wednesday evening at 7:00pm. This will be followed by a General Meeting of the new School Council at 7:30pm. These meetings are in the staffroom at Colac West.

SCHOOL BUSES
Information regarding school contract buses (country runs) please call Kerrie O’Connor on 5231 9800 Colac Secondary College. Town buses call CHRISTIANS on 5231 2203. Bus Passes; please be aware the school contract buses are designed to transport approved students only. Students cannot be issued bus passes for sporting purposes (football/netball training or for going to a friend’s house).

STUDENT ACTIVITIES
At the Division swimming, Rupert qualified for the backstroke and freestyle at Regional level in Ballarat tomorrow. He has chosen to compete in the House Athletics instead, but very well done on your performance.

The School Nurse has been working with our Prep students this week and 4/5 and 5/6 had a golf clinic with Tony from Golf Victoria on Wednesday. This Friday all classes have first aid sessions with St John Ambulance staff. Tomorrow is also Ride2School Day and we have the House Athletics between 11:30 and 1:30. Please remember your House colours. Next week are the Division Tennis Trials on Tuesday and Harmony Day on Wednesday. Remember, something orange would be great. The 3/4 Camp is off to Queenscliff on Thursday and Friday, so there is no assembly next week. Friday, of course is the Autumn Fair after school from 4:30 and we hope to see everyone there to support our school and have some great fun. Thankyou.

BOOKCLUB
Orders are due back by FRIDAY 13th MARCH.

PREMIERS ACTIVE APRIL 2015
The upcoming Premier’s Active April will run during the month of April. Registrations for Active April are now open. Families are encouraged to register with the aim of 30 minutes of physical activity each day of the month. Some classes at school may be registering but individuals and families are also encouraged to do so. There are posters with more information available at school or you can register by visiting: www.activeapril.vic.gov.au/schools

PLEASE REMEMBER
It would be appreciated if all parents picked their children up from outside the school building at 3:20. The corridors and classrooms are busy places at this time of day. Please arrange with your child to meet them outside their entry/exit door. There have been several instances of students sitting in the foyer for long periods after the dismissal bell recently that can become distressing for all involved. Please make sure you are on time. Thankyou.

NETBALL REGISTRATION
Netball is played on a Friday night and competition starts on Friday 17th April.
Under 11’s – Grade 4 & 5 – Cost $50 Game fee/VNA Ins.$47 Total $97
Unders 13’s – Grade 6 – Cost $50 Game fee $50/ VNA Ins. $47 Total $97
All costs paid to Netball Committee
Any enquiries please call:
Nadine- 0438321143
Liz – 0488697219
Forms can be collected from the office.

NET-SET-GO
Under 9’s (Grade 2 & 3) – cost of $50 for Game Fees to be paid to Netball Committee- Cost of $47 to be paid online (via families credit card).

THANKS
Mrs Jackson has enough jars now, thanks to those who sent jars in it was much appreciated.
SCHOOL COUNCIL MEMBERS FOR 2015

PRINCIPAL:
Peter Nelson: 52312479

PRESIDENT:
Anthony McDonald

Anthony McDonald
Katrina Hammond
Judy Jackson
Peter Nelson
Corey Beckett
Connie Wilson
Toury Benson
Rod Swayn
Yasna Russell
Adam Chambers
Andrew Barber

Finance

Buildings & Grounds

Curriculum / Policy

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

GOLF WITH TONY

Yesterday, after recess at school, we had golf with Tony. First, Tony asked us to get into pairs, I partnered with Jack because we were the same height. Then Tony taught us how to hold the golf club, I found it really hard to get the correct grip. After that we started. At first all I was doing was digging in the ground!! But after a few goes, it was getting easier! ‘Well, I suppose practice makes perfect!!’ By Toby Yr 4

COMMUNITY NEWS

COLAC GOLF CLUB

6 week MYGolf Junior Program
Starting Tuesday 24 March, 14th, 21st, 28th April 5th and 12th May
Time: 4pm-5pm Cost $27.00
Booking MYGOLF.ORG.AU

PARENTS’ CLUB

Committee for 2015

President: Libby Swayn
Vice President: Sharon Jacques
Secretary: Prue Borenstein
Assistant Secretary: Yasna Russell
Treasurer: Nadine Beckett
Canteen: Davida McDonald

NEXT PARENTS CLUB MEETING:

CACTEEN

MARCH 13TH
9.30am – 10.30am
DAVIDA MCDONALD
LIBBY SWAYN
12pm-2pm
MARY FLAHERTY
TONI EGAN

MARCH 20TH
NO CANTEEN
AUTUMN HARVEST FAIR
4.30

MARCH 20TH
NO CANTEEN
(LAST DAY OF TERM)

UPCOMING EVENTS

March 13th - First Aid Sessions P-6
March 13th - House Athletics
March 13th - Ride2School Day
March 14th - Kana Parade
March 15th - Working Bee
March 17th - Division Tennis Trials
March 18th - School Council Meeting
March 18th - Harmony Day
March 19th & 20th - Year 3/4 Camp
March 20th Autumn Harvest Fair
March 20th - Anti-Bullying Day
March 23rd - Division Athletics
March 25th - CSC OPEN NIGHT
March 26th - Mrs Smith’s Afternoon Tea
March 27th - Easter Hat Parade
March 27th - Division Football & Netball Trials
March 27th - Dental Prep visit 11:30
March 27th - Assembly 1:30
April 13th - Term 2 begins
April 17th - Assembly 9:00
April 17th - Division Basketball Tryouts
April 24th - Assembly 9:00
April 24th - Schools Anzac Service

2015 AUTUMN HARVEST FAIR

Friday March 20th
4.30pm to 8pm
Join us in a celebration of the Autumn Harvest at Colac West Primary School on Ligar St.
For more information please contact Sharon-5231 6730; Libby-5235 1273.

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