

VALUES

The values which are central to the life of our school, guiding our policies, programs and interactions are:

- Respect To be considerate, use good manners and take special care of our school and environment
- Kindness To show care and concern
- Personal Best To give your best to whatever you do
- Courage To do things even when they are difficult
- Honesty To be truthful and trustworthy
- Tolerance To accept other people's differences

Colac PS is located on Murray St East in the city of Colac. The school services the eastern residential area of Colac and rural areas of Yeo, Warncoort and Irrewarra.

Enrolment is 205 in 2009 and is expected to decline further in each of the next three years.

CURRICULUM

Our curriculum is guided by the Victorian Essential Learning Standards and comprises; The Arts, English, Mathematics, Studies of Society and Environment, Science, Health and Physical Education and Technology. It also includes aspects of personal and social learning such as our values program and peer mediation which previously were not acknowledged in curriculum standards.

Specialist teachers conduct Art and Physical Education classes.

Enrichment of the Key Learning Areas is provided through programs including:

Values Program, Reading Recovery, Perceptual Motor Program for Prep students, Religious Education, Human Development, Student Council, Choir, Concert, Musical Performance, Student Newspaper, Bike Ed, Swimming, Camping and Interschool Sport.

Curriculum programs are delivered primarily in classes organised on age/year levels or composite classes of adjacent year levels.

FACILITIES

The school's buildings were extensively refurbished in 2006 and we now have eight permanent classrooms with office and withdrawal spaces, library, art room and a large multipurpose room. All classrooms are air-conditioned. Our grounds have been upgraded to include a new basketball court, car-park and two new colored steel playgrounds.

Computers are provided in classrooms at a ratio of one computer to four students. All computers have internet access and are well used in a variety of curriculum programs. Interactive whiteboards are sited in all classrooms.