

# NEWSLETTER

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## Dear Parents and Students

**Mrs Newcombe:** We are encouraged to hear that Mrs Jill Newcombe is recovering well after shoulder surgery and should be able to return to school in a few weeks time. Mrs Jade LoRicco is teaching Jill's class.

**Reading Recovery:** I wish to welcome Mrs Mardi Steven to our school. Mardi will be teaching Reading Recovery on three days each week. Generally Mardi will be here on Monday, Wednesday and Thursday.

**Disco:** Thankyou to all parents who assisted in the organisation or supervision of the disco on Friday evening. Students certainly enjoyed the evening.

**2010 Enrolments:** We are keen to have accurate prep numbers for 2010 and request that if any family is still to return enrolment forms that they do so this week. New enrolments at other year levels are welcome at any time.

**Building Work:** Yesterday I received plans for our prep outdoor learning area. This covered deck will have doors into rooms 3 and 4. This work will be completed prior to the start of school next year. I expect that work will begin next week to build shade structures over our new playgrounds.

**Prep Master Chef:** I wish to congratulate our prep students, Mrs Foley and the parents who assisted in the "Prep Master Chef" competition yesterday. The students all presented an interesting plate of food, paying particular attention to presentations! Activities such as this make school a fun place to be.

**Transition:** Ten of our year six students have been attending Colac Secondary College for one session per week to prepare them for transition to secondary school. Former Assistant Principal from the school, Wayne O'Dowd, has conducted these sessions. The students have made a boomerang and are currently constructing a rocket. We will arrange a demonstration of their work at the end of this unit.

**Allan Halliwell-Principal**

## WEBSITE AWARENESS

Last night one of our students was on a website called [www.spineworld.com](http://www.spineworld.com) and received some unsavoury questions. Please be aware of the wide range of internet sites your child can access. You can report computer crimes to the Crime Centre on 96118822.

## STAFF CARPARK

Due to students' safety we ask that parents park in Lyons Street when picking up their child or visiting the school. This will avoid students and siblings being nearby when cars are reversing. The only exception is the disabled parking space. Thankyou for your co-operation.

## ART ROOM

Mrs Lamanna needs donations of wool and material scraps for her art lessons. Please leave at the office, thankyou.

## SPARE CLOTHING

Please return spare clothes including socks that children are given at school if they've had an accident.

## SOCIAL SERVICE

**Jeans for Genes Day:** On Friday, 7<sup>th</sup> August we will be raising money for research into childhood genetic diseases. Students and staff can wear their jeans and bring along a gold coin donation to support this worthy cause.

**Daffodil Day:** Friday, 28<sup>th</sup> August.

## BE ACTIVE EAT WELL

Representatives from Deakin University visited school yesterday to survey students and their lunch boxes etc. They will return next Monday. for more monitoring.

OUR VALUE THIS FORTNIGHT IS

## HONESTY

A part of **HONESTY** is **TRUTHFULNESS**. Truthfulness means you don't tell lies, not even to save yourself from getting into trouble.



OUR VALUES WINNER IS  
**NADENE BROWN**

CONGRATULATIONS NADENE. YOU  
HAVE EARNT YOURSELF A FREE LUNCH  
AT THE CANTEEN

## PARENTS CLUB NEWS

**Bags Of Potatoes:** 10kg (\$12) and 5kg (\$6). We have a small supply on hand and order more in as the need arises. See Julie at the office to buy a bag.

**Next Meeting:** Wednesday, 19<sup>th</sup> August at 9am in the staffroom, all welcome.

## PLEASE MARK THESE DATES ON YOUR CALENDAR

### 2009 CALENDAR

Jul 31 <sup>st</sup>	Interschool sport-St Marys
Aug 3 <sup>rd</sup>	School Council 7.30pm
Aug 7 <sup>th</sup>	Jeans For Genes Day
Aug 7 <sup>th</sup>	EMA application due if Eligible
Aug 19 <sup>th</sup>	Parents Club Meeting
Aug 28 <sup>th</sup>	Daffodil Day

## EDUCATION MAINTENANCE ALLOWANCE – 2<sup>nd</sup> INSTALMENT

For parents whose circumstances have not changed, there is no need to reapply at this time. However if you:

- No longer have a Health Care Card or Pensioner Concession Card that was current as at 13<sup>th</sup> July **OR**
- Now hold a card current as at 13<sup>th</sup> July **OR**
- Are new to our school and have applied previously at your old school **OR**
- Are a new family to the school since the start of the year**

You will need to come to the office to make the relevant changes **NO LATER THAN FRIDAY, 7<sup>TH</sup> AUGUST.**

**Remember if you are no longer eligible to receive EMA please contact Julie at the office.**

## STUDENT OF THE WEEK

ROOM 1	BROCK HUNT
ROOM 2	ELISE CARSON
ROOM 3	TINNEL DUMBLETON
ROOM 5	SETH SWANSON
ROOM 7	KAITLYN MISSEN
ROOM 7	PAIGE MAHONEY
ROOM 8	TIM KENNEDY
ROOM 9	NICK HARTY
ROOM 10	ZAK ANDERSON

## HEAD LICE

Keep checking each week for head lice and ensure that girls have their hair tied back.

## CANTEEN DUTY

Friday, 31<sup>st</sup> July

10am-12pm

12pm-2pm

Wendy Quarrell  
Danni Veitch  
Helper Required

Sue Quinney  
Katrina Seabright  
Michelle Warren

## UNIFORM NEWS

All items of our school uniform are available at the office

**School Coats:** Sizes 4-14 at \$25

**Beanies:** \$7

**Headbands:** \$5

**Second-hand Kilts:** 1 size 8 & 2 size 10 – both \$20 each

## HEALTHY MEALS - HAPPY FAMILIES

**This week's topic: Role Model Healthy Eating**

Be a positive role model by eating well yourself, as your child will copy you. Buy, prepare and offer the foods you would like your child to eat. Involve them in food preparation where possible and enjoy meal times and healthy eating together as a family.

## GMHBA

You could save \$100's off your health insurance and support Colac Primary School. GMHBA offers you simply great value health insurance and now Colac P.S. and GMHBA have created a partnership where new GMHBA members can donate 3.5% of their premium to the Colac P.S. this year and every year you are a member! For a family membership, that could be a donation of over \$100 to the school every year you remain a member with GMBHA. You could help raise \$1,000's for Colac P.S. to purchase much needed equipment.

With another health fund? Switching is easy. To get a quote, visit our Colac branch at 178 Murray St (across the road from Coles) or give us a call on 1300 446422. Be sure to mention that you want a donation to be made to the Colac P.S.

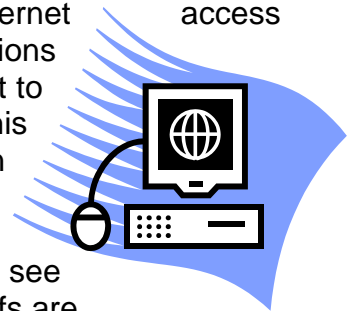
## SPORTS NEWS

**Interschool Sport:** On Friday, 24<sup>th</sup> July the year 5/6 boys went to play football at the Elliminyt P.S. and the scores were: Colac 9.6 – 60pts Elliminyt 11.9 – 75pts Goals kickers were: Rhys Barry, Liam McCarthy, Cody Downard, Brett Dennison, Shaun Jenkins, Dyllon Jennings. Everyone had fun playing football and thankyou to the helpers.

Tomorrow interschool sport will be against St Marys. Footballers and netballers will travel there and they need to return their permission slip and \$1.50 for the bus. Volleyball and soccer will be played here.

## DON'T FORGET TO CHECK OUT OUR NEW WEBSITE

We have updated our website so please have a look. In future all class newspapers will be stored under students and room numbers on the site. Progressively we would like all families with internet access to read school publications via the website. If you opt to receive information in this way we will save on printing costs. Check out the photos from last Friday's school disco or see who our prep master chefs are.



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## OUTSIDE NEWS

### U 12'S AUSKICK BBQ & BREAK UP

Sunday, 2<sup>nd</sup> Aug at 10am  
Bombers vs Cats at South Colac

### KATHY WALKER PRESENTS- SCHOOL PREPARATION & TRANSITION TO SCHOOL

Setting our children up for success. A very special opportunity for parents. An invitation to all parents, particularly those that have children moving into school. Wed 19<sup>th</sup> Aug at COPACC meeting room 1 & 2

6pm-7.30pm: Cost is free. Please arrive early to enjoy refreshments. Registration or enq. by 25<sup>th</sup> July to Kay Widdicombe 52314740 or email

[kwiddicombe@glastonbury.org.au](mailto:kwiddicombe@glastonbury.org.au)