Principal’s Report

Thanks to all the parents who attended the secondary Parent/Teacher Interview Evening on Monday. It makes our role much easier if communication between school and parent is open and productive for the benefit of our students and your children.

Student Recommendation Scheme

Congratulations to Louella Cadorin, Chloe Lafsky, Alicia Hudson, Annie Mader and Rosalie McKersie who have received confirmation from Charles Sturt University and Emma Lamont from the University of Wollongong regarding conditional and unconditional University course placement for 2016. The girls have some difficult choices to make in the future regarding which offer they will accept. Well done!

Assessment Schedules 2015/2016

Assessment Schedules for Stage 5 and 6 were distributed last week. Please ensure the Assessment Schedule Acknowledgement Slip is returned to the appropriate Year Advisor as a record that you have received and read the information in the schedule. The Year 8 Assessment Schedule will be distributed this week.

Year 5/6 Excursion to Canberra

Year 5/6 headed off to on Tuesday 24th for the much anticipated Stage 3 excursion to Canberra. I’m sure these students and their accompanying parents will have a fantastic time in our nation’s capital. Thanks to Mr Watts for the organisation of this outstanding learning experience.

Swimming K-6 begins this week

Just a reminder that K-4 will begin their intensive swimming stint commencing this Thursday, concluding Friday next week. Year 5/6 will begin their swimming instruction on Monday after their return from Canberra.

Advent Pageant

Last Friday our Primary students participated in the annual Advent Pageant. I was amazed at the amount of wonderful decorations and accessories to make the day even more festive. Well done Primary students on your excellent behaviour and enthusiastic participation in this special event.

Have a wonderful week.

Meagan Crelley
Principal

Primary News

Assembly awards

Kinder
Riley Boag Always giving 100% effort in all his learning
Jessie Pound Displaying more confidence during class discussions

Year 1
Lucy Bolton Creating a beautiful hand sewn puppet
Joe Rossato Producing well planned and structured pieces of writing
Declan McKinnon Consistent application in reading and writing
Yasmin Inggs  Excellent effort in all literacy activities

**Year 2**  
Piper DeMamiel  Consistently conscientious in all areas of learning  
Elise Munro  Achieving very pleasing results in all KLAs  
Beau Griffiths  Applying a positive attitude and improving his reading skills

**Year 3**  
Logan Smith  Making an effort to focus and listen during reading group activities  
Braidy Davis  Participating in all fitness activities and demonstrating great fundamental movement skills  
Zoe Rowan  Continuing to astound me with her great imagination during creative writing. Well Done

**Year 4**  
Sam Davie  Pleasing results in spelling  
Wyatt Anstice  Concentrated efforts in all areas of learning  
Eloise Jay  Making wise choices to avoid disruptions

### Secondary News

#### Stage 6 Excursion 2016

A Stage 6 educational and cultural excursion is being planned for 1st of March to the 5th of March 2016. The excursion is to Sydney and the purpose of the excursion is to engage students across the wide range of subjects they will be studying for their HSC. A letter has been sent home with further details and a slip to return as an expression of interest.

If you have any questions, Please contact the school.

Mrs K. Taylor, Mr C. Apted  
(Organising Teachers)

### Career News

A reminder to Year 12 2015 students who were mailed home a destination survey. Please complete it and return to school as soon as possible.

A scholarship for those passionate about agriculture:  
The Horizon Scholarship is an initiative of the Rural Industries Research and Development Corporation that, in partnership with industry sponsors, supports undergraduates studying agriculture at university by providing:  
A bursary of $5,000 per year for the duration of their degree  
Professional development workshops and mentoring  
Annual industry work placements that give students first-hand exposure to modern agricultural practices, and:  
Opportunities to network and gain knowledge at a range of industry events.

Eligibility:  
To be eligible for the Horizon Scholarship students must be an Australian citizen or permanent resident entering their first year at an Australian University (with a maximum two year gap between high school and tertiary study), studying a degree related to agriculture, such as:  

Scholarship recipients will be selected on the basis of their commitment to a career in agriculture, as well as their leadership potential and high school academic record.

Ema Munro  
Careers Adviser / HSIE teacher

### Community Announcements

#### Bendigo Bank School Banking

Don’t forget Coleambally Community Bank is once again doing school banking. The Bendigo Staff will pick up the students banking every Wednesday at 11am from the school office and return the bank books to school once the transaction has been completed. Every time a student sends in school banking they will go into the monthly draw to win a football or netball. If your child does not currently have a Bendigo Bank account don’t hesitate to drop into the Coleambally Community Bank and speak to one of our friendly staff to open an account. If you have any questions regarding school banking please don’t hesitate to contact the bank on 6954 4192.

#### Light Up Coly/Coly Festival of Lights

Town residents should string their Xmas lights around their home from Friday 27th until Xmas to be in the running to collect over $2,600 cash prize money.

A stage full of music, singing, dancing, activities, displays, stalls and heaps more all in Brolga Place from 6pm.

#### Swimming Club

The Coleambally swimming Pool will be closed to the public on Friday afternoons from 5.30 – 7.30 pm due to an increase in members for the Coleambally Swimming Club. This will be for the next 4 Fridays up until and including the 18th December 2015. Sorry for any inconvenience.

#### Hay Mobile Children’s Service

HMCS offer venue care in Coleambally and Yamma on a fortnightly basis. They also provide Farm Based Care to eligible families. HMCS is currently taking enrolments for 2016, for more information visit www.hmcs.org.au or phone 6993 3059.

HMCS is taking expressions of interests for part time or casual work, Certificate 3 in Children’s Services is a requirement. Please contact the service for further details on 6993 3059.