**Message from the Office**

**Athletics**
Mr Larry Condon will again be offering his time to train the students of Collins Creek in athletics and hopefully will be starting before the end of term.

**COLOURSS Swimming Carnival**
Thank-you to the hardworking, dedicated P&C and all the parents that provided cooking to sell on the day. All collaboration lead to a very successful day. The students all outdid themselves in giving things a go and a big congratulation goes to those that swam, with many getting places. Congratulations to Elle’s hard work in training this year, she set herself a goal last year and she deserved her senior girl’s runner-up.

**Year 6 camp**
COLOURSS Year 6 is having their annual overnight camp at Collins Creek School on the 7th and 8th April (Week 11). This usually costs $40 (although this has yet to be confirmed). The camp is used as a bonding experience for all Year 6 students across the COLOURSS network. Students do a range of activities and students from the high school normally host a session or two. More information as the camp draws closer.

**Excursion to Brisbane**
The school is looking at going to Brisbane this term to attend the Gallery of Modern Art to see an exhibition by Cai Gou Quiang- Falling back to Earth, time allowing we may go to the e science centre as well. We seek interest from parents so that we can plan this trip. After feedback from some parents it would seem that some are in favour of an overnight excursion. Please indicate if you are interested in attending with your student, and if you would prefer separate accommodation or shared accommodation. Originally we planned for Year 3 and up, but we may consider students under Year 3 if parents were to accompany the students. If we stay overnight parents will be charged for the cost of accommodation.

**Student Assistance Scheme**
Due to a change in DET’s policies and funding, the school no longer receives funding for the student assistance scheme and as a consequence the school can no longer subsidise programs. If this causes concerns or financial hardship please discuss with Miss Carter.
School Contribution Fees
The voluntary school contribution fee is set at $40 or $70 for families. 2014 has seen a change in the funding system of the department and the school has a very limited budget and all contributions will greatly assist the operation costs of the school.

COLOURSS performance art
This Friday the school will be attending ‘Rhythms of Africa’, an African drumming performance, as part of the COLOURSS arts program. This will be on at 10.00 and the school is looking for volunteers to drive to Wiangaree Hall. We will need to leave the school at 9.20 so all drivers need to be at the school before this time.

P&C (Parent & Citizen Association)
Friday lunches were well received by students and teachers last year. We would love to offer the same again this year, but need everyone to pick a day and either come to school and serve up lunch (roughly 11-1pm - lunch is at 11.30am), or send something in to school (that can be easily heated up by Lyn, that can be served in a paper bag or napkin (to avoid washing up duties if possible!) If Fridays are no good for you, please elect an alternative day in one of the "empty" weeks and return your preference to school asap.

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Just let Lyn know which day suits you and what you would like to provide.

Kyogle Soccer Club
All interested soccer players can now register to play at the ‘myfootballclub’ website, just click on the player registration tab and follow the links. Registration is open to all boys and girls turning 5 this year up through to age 16.
We ask that registrations are completed by the end of February as teams need to be nominated in March to Football Far North Coast.
We will also be holding two information mornings on the 8th and 15th of February for interested parents and players in the vacant shop at the front of the memorial hall from 9.00am to 12.00pm.
If you are unable to attend on these dates or have difficulties registering your son/daughter, please call our registrar Glenn Rose on 0418264968.

Choosing the right lunch box is important
• Make sure children can open all containers and lunch boxes easily. Practise this at home first
• Check that containers can fit inside the insulated lunch box bag
• Ensure children can easily take off any food wrappings
• Make markings on the food wrapping to show children where to start
• Check that all bottles of water can be opened
• Small, easy to open containers are excellent for cut up or canned fruit, cut up vegie sticks or salad, homemade muffins
Expression of Interest for an Excursion to Brisbane

I would like my child/ren to attend Gallery of Modern Art to see an exhibition by Cai Gou Quiang

Yes ☐ No ☐

I would like

Overnight ☐ Daytrip ☐

I would also like to attend

Yes ☐ No ☐

Name  ........................................................................

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