Students have been actively involved in the **Cyber Safety Program** this week working with Apollo Bay students. I look forward to reporting too on the parent evening planned for Tuesday July 29. We will also offer a ‘**Parenting Program**’ that is a great support for families. These are a valuable chance to meet with parents and share thoughts and strategies.

**Planning for Computers and Digital Devices at the College.**

We are currently reviewing our digital resources and looking at a range of models for the future. We are looking at a range of laptops and tablets that can best support our students’ learning. We would love to hear from a community member with skills in this area. A team is currently meeting at the College and is looking forward to working in partnership with our community.

**Parent survey.**

Thank you to parents of the College for filling out the College Survey. **Please ensure the survey is returned to the Office by this Friday, August 1.** If you haven’t received the survey do call the Office.

**New Pedagogies for Deep Learning. (Recent Conference where Sarah Douglas and I won an Ipad)**

The College has been selected as one of 20 schools in our region to be part of a global network of 1,000 schools across 10 countries. This is a great opportunity for us to develop our learning programs and work with schools across the globe.

The Learning Bytes Conference was held on Monday 28 July at the MCG and was the first time that the 80 Victorian NPDL schools were able to meet together. The focus of the day was to continue to build our understanding of deep learning, share school stories, clarify program expectations and explore the how we can track and value ‘deep learning’. The Hon. Martin Dixon MP, Minister for Education opened the event, and there were presentations by Michael Fullan (via online link) and Professor John Hattie. In addition there were workshops led by schools on a wide range of deep learning and pedagogy themes. As well as winning a laptop it was a memorable and inspiring day.

If you google ‘New Pedagogies for Deep Learning’ there are some interesting articles at the bottom of the page.

**Website development**

We have begun developing a beautiful new College website that will be ready to ‘go live’ in the not too distant future. Work is underway to develop engaging content for a wide array of pages for the site.
**Dates to Dates to remember:**

Wednesday (am) 6\textsuperscript{th} August – Playgroup begins  
Friday 15\textsuperscript{th} August – Yr 10-12 Melbourne Herald Sun Trade Expo  
Monday 25\textsuperscript{th} of August at 1.15pm – Kinder to prep transition  
Monday 25\textsuperscript{th} to Friday 29\textsuperscript{th} August – Literacy & Numeracy week & ENVIRO week

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**New fruit trees for the garden**

At the end of last term, as part of a community house garden design course, there was a workshop at the school on “Food Forests” run by Andrew Lucas from Geelong. We all learnt a lot about food forests which are like orchards but with additional smaller plants among the fruit trees to help encourage beneficial insects and birds.

As part of the workshop we planted seven new fruit trees (thanks to the neighbourhood house for funding them!) near the veggie garden at the school. Come down to the school any time you want to see them. They are just starting to swell their buds ready for spring.

Remember this is your community garden and we would love you to share in it – including the fruit when the time comes.
Primary News

STAR OF THE WEEK (FOR LAST WEEK AND THE WEEK BEFORE)

Congratulations to the following students who were awarded ‘Star of the Week’

- TOM GILBERT – Tom was awarded the Star of the Week for his leadership in the playground. Well done Tom.

- ZEKE GAGE – Zeke received the Star of the Week for achieving full marks in his spelling test, working really hard to learn his words. Well done Zeke.

PREMIERS READING CHALLENGE

Congratulations to the following students who have handed in their reading lists and have now completed the Premiers Reading Challenge.

- Tom Gilbert
- Jasper Newton
- Xavier-Bubica Smith

ROYAL FLYING DOCTORS SIMULATOR VISIT

The Royal Flying Doctor Service visited our school last week. Students in years Prep through to years 7 & 8 were informed about this valuable emergency service. They discovered that it is not restricted to ‘the outback’ but operates in many parts of Australia, including Tasmania. Students heard ‘Tom’ speak about the service and were able to go aboard the fuselage to see first-hand the equipment and set up. John Cutajar is seen here examining the pedal powered radio that is used in remote areas when there is no electricity grid available.
SPIKE – THE SHADOW PUPPET PERFORMANCE

The laughter that you could hear coming from the library was fantastic, there was some kinder children who joined the primaries for this performance. Here is what some of the students had to say.

Chloe – There was a rat and it tried to eat the egg but the egg hit him. The rat was funny. This girl tried to help the baby echidna grow up, then the echidna stood up for himself.

Georgia – On Friday there was a puppet show. There was a shark, an echidna, a rat, a crocodile, an emu, a turtle and a lady. There was an egg and a rat that tried to eat it and the egg belted up the rat. It was cool and scary.

Jasper – On Friday there was a puppet show. There was lots of puppets. My favourite puppet was the shark. The show was about a baby echidna. It was a 10/10.

Xavier – My favourite puppet was the shark. I liked the music. The other characters were a rat, an echidna and a crocodile. Some people laughed really loud. The story was about an echidna getting born.

About the week

National Literacy and Numeracy Week aims to raise community awareness of the importance of literacy and numeracy skills for all Australian students.

Throughout this week we recognise and celebrate the achievements of parents, teachers, principals, and members of the wider community who are making a difference to the development of literacy and numeracy skills in our students.
Engaging in your children’s education

Parents can have a big impact on their children’s education. Over 40 years of research tells us that how well children do at school has a lot to do with what happens at home. Parents are the first and most important influence on a child’s attitudes and values toward school and learning. By creating a home environment that encourages a continuous love of learning from an early age, you can help your child to achieve positive outcomes throughout their schooling and beyond.

Being excited about National Literacy and Numeracy Week and engaging with your child as they take part in the week’s activities is one way to foster this love of learning.

How you can get involved

Through National Literacy and Numeracy Week parents can join with their children, other students, schools and teachers to participate in the fun literacy and numeracy activities

TIMETABLE

Please find a copy of the timetable below for the primary students

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Pre-school News

**PLAYGROUP**

We are excited to announce that we are running playgroup again. Everyone is welcome from babies to kinder students. More information and enrolment forms are available from the College office or the Pre-school. Playgroup will be on Wednesday morning’s beginning on the 6th of August. We hope to see you there!

**KINDER TO PREP TRANSITION**

We are in the process of finalizing the dates for the Kinder to Prep Transition. We will be holding an information session for parents of Preps in 2015 at the Lavers Hill College on **Monday the 25th of August at 1.15pm**. We hope to see you there. If the time does not suit please contact the office and I will arrange another time to meet with you. Miss Ferrari

**SRC focus on ... Senior Prom fundraiser**

The SRC has decided to run a monster hamper raffle to support this year’s attendees for the Senior Prom. The Prom is run in conjunction with students from Apollo Bay and Lorne P-12 Colleges and provides a fitting celebration to mark the emerging young adults coming out of our schools. There is a cost to be met, shared between the three schools.

The SRC hopes that everybody gets behind the raffle with a chance to win some fabulous prizes. Tickets are just $1.00 and can be purchased from the College office.

(Reprinted from last week’s edition...)

If you have any item that you would like to donate to the raffle, the SRC would be most pleased to hear from you.

The more goodies we can share, the better the prize!
Please contact the office.)