Thursday 5th February 2015
Dear Parents/Caregivers,

Australia Day: It was a pleasure to join Cobargo's Australia Day celebrations and to hear the great speeches delivered by the school captains, Jayden Arentz and Jacinta-Maree Carr. Congratulations to Madison Boyle who was named Junior Australian of the Year.

P&C: During the holidays there was a massive clean-up by parents and community of the front section of the school, and in particular, cutting back the very thick vine along the fence. Thank you to the Rixon-Gosch and Arentz families for all their hard work. It looks terrific along the front area.

Stephanie Alexander Kitchen Garden: During the school holidays the preliminary preparations have been started by Jess Taylor from Sweet Home Cobargo and her team of workers.

A special thank you to the Wwoof-ers (Willing Workers on Organic Farms - this is an international volunteer group) from France; Jess for donating the initial plants and the mulch for the garden; Di Ferguson, Steve Shipton and Aaron Salway for the garden soil; Sweet Home Cobargo for the woodchip, and Geoffrey Grieg and Sandra Gauld who helped to lay the beds and sleepers.

It has been a fantastic start, with the community supporting the school in a very positive way.

Core Rules: All the students have been revising in class at appropriate levels, the Department of Education and Communities Core Rules for Students in NSW Government Schools. This supports the school’s Student Discipline Policy. It is positive to see the students being in class on time and prepared to learn.

General Note: Please find this note attached to this newsletter and note it will need to be returned by next Monday. Thank you for your co-operation.

Assessment of Students and Reporting to Parents: Staff are reviewing current practices and this will lead to a greater understanding of what could be presented at the final Presentation Assembly. There will be further information in the newsletter and the opportunity for the school and community to discuss any possible changes.

Updating Details: Thank you to the 2015 returning families who have updated their child’s contact details. If there are any changes to details for your child, such as contact numbers, address etc. could you please contact the school office or send in a note with the changes. This will ensure we have up-to-date information.

The start to 2015 has been harmonious yet very busy.

Michelle Simkin
Principal

CALENDAR
FEBRUARY, 2015
6 -- First Assembly; 2:25 in Assembly Room
10 -- Swimming Carnival
14 -- Cobargo Show
17 – Book Club Issue 1 closes
27 – Parliament session; parents & community welcome
Student Banking every Monday

Copies of most notes are now available from the school’s website.

CANTEEN NEWS
Due to the work load for the Cobargo Show there will be NO Canteen until later this month.
Your assistance on canteen days would be very much appreciated, so please complete the form below.
Your children love to see you helping around the school.

CANTEEN VOLUNTEERS
Please add my name to the canteen roster for 2015.

Name: ........................................

Phone No ......................................

Whole School Assemblies: This year will see four assemblies per term. The first one will be run by the Year 5/6 students in the Assembly Room Friday 6th February from 2:25pm. Parents and community are more than welcome to attend. The room has been rearranged so there is comfortable adult seating available in the room. The Year 3/4 students will run the 20th February Whole School Assembly.
The Year 1/2/3 students will run the 6th March Whole School Assembly.
The Year K/1 students will run the 20th March Whole School Assembly.
The reasoning behind this approach to assemblies is so every class has the opportunity to lead and to become familiar with presenting to an audience.

P&C NEWS
The P & C are catering for the Cobargo Show on Saturday the 14th and Sunday 15th February and need volunteers and donations of cakes, quiches, lasagnes and salads please. Attached to this newsletter is a request for assistance.

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SHOW HELPERS and DONATIONS for Saturday 14th & Sunday 15th February 2015.

DONATIONS - Please tick
Coleslaw
Salads [indicate type]
Milk
Cheese
Tomatoes
Cucumbers
Quiche [indicate type]
Cakes/Slices
Fruit/Fruit salad

HELPER SHIFTS – Please tick
Saturday 9.00am – 1 pm
Saturday 12 noon – 3 pm
Sunday 9am – 1.00pm
Sunday 12noon – 3 pm
Sunday afternoon clean-up

Name –
Phone number –

THANK YOU COBARGO PS  P&C

COBARGO ANNUAL SHOW 14th & 15th February.
It's show time again and we are looking for entries from our local community. The full program is available on the website: www.cobargoshow.org.au. There are many different classes for children including photography, vegetable, cooking and craft to name a few.

There is a new class for scarecrows made by children 17 years and under which will receive a special award.

There is a point system for junior exhibitors with the child with the highest point score in the pavilion winning $100 and second price $50 which is sponsored by our local Cobargo Chemist.

The secretary will be at the showground to take entries all next week until 5pm Friday 13th February. Entry forms and a full program are available from Cobargo AP&H Show Society’s website www.cobargoshow.org.au, or from the secretary. All entries must be in the pavilion by 9.00am Saturday. Entries should be clearly marked with name, age and school on the back of any exhibit.

COBARGO DRY RIVER SOCCER CLUB
Cobargo Dry River Soccer Club is taking names for this year’s team. Please contact Tina Rixon for more information on 64937380.

MONARCH CRICKET CLINIC
SUNDAY 8 & 15 FEB
George Griffin Oval, Carp St, BEGA

• High performance coaching
• Technical Assessment and Dynamic Skill Acquisition

BEKA FUTURE STARS AND HIGH PERFORMANCE CLINIC
9AM-12PM
High Performance
(13-18yrs) $45 Per Day

1PM – 4 PM
Future Stars
(12 years and below) $40 Per Day

What To Bring: Sunscreen, Drink Bottle & Hat.
Equipment: Desired not essential

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COMMUNITY NEWS

Cobargo Cooperative Society Proudly sponsors this newsletter.
The simplest way
...to keep your kids safe in the sun.

Did you know that when it comes to sun protection, not all hats are equal?

We all know hats help protect against skin cancer and eye damage.

But did you know that baseball caps don’t provide much protection?
Baseball caps leave cheeks, ears, chin and back of the neck exposed to ultraviolet radiation, and to the real risk of skin cancer in later life.

Choose a sun-safe hat
Sun-safe hats include broad-brimmed, bucket, or legionnaire hats. These hats are inexpensive, and give your kids the best chance of staying protected in our harsh summer sun.

Finally, don’t forget to apply sunscreen in the morning before school! Enjoy summer, and remember to be SunSmart!

To find out more about being SunSmart visit our website sunsmartnow.com.au or call 02 9334 1761

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