From The Principal’s Desk

The Gymnastics program started last week and I was impressed by the instructor’s presentation and program and his efforts to ensure all experienced success. Interestingly some groups found the sessions very tiring and hard work - given a lot of the activities required strength and balance, rather than endurance. The next session is scheduled for this Thursday. Please make sure your child is appropriately dressed for this type of activity (lace up or Velcro tight fitting shoes, shorts under dresses etc.), as incorrect clothing may restrict participation.

Next week the 4/5/6’s will be experiencing Camp Coolamatong on the lakes at Bairnsdale, whilst the Grade 3’s will be heading off to the Urban Camp two weeks later, with Life Ed in the intervening week - so a busy time ahead. Please note that all payments for camps are expected to be made before the event, as usually we must pay the camps in advance, but also as we have been disappointingly let down in the past when we have given the occasional parent additional time to pay.

Given we haven’t had a Monday assembly for some time, we had many nominations for our Student Star Of The Week award, with three students being pulled from the hat to be our Student Stars. With the Grade 4/5/6 Camp next week, we will again miss our Monday afternoon assembly, with the next one now scheduled for 23\textsuperscript{rd} November, and the next after that likely to be 6\textsuperscript{th} December.

As you know, Denise McNamara has announced her intention to retire, so we are on the hunt for a new OOSH co-ordinator. If you know of anyone who may be interested and appropriately qualified (or completing a Diploma qualification), please encourage them to contact us for details.

On another note, congratulations to Denise for becoming a Grandmother again overnight.

The warm weather yesterday again reminded us of what is to come as summer takes hold. Given where Coldstream is, many of you will be beginning to prepare your houses for the impending fire season. If so, you may be interested, in attending the CFA open day this weekend (15\textsuperscript{th} November). No doubt additional information on preparing your home and developing a fire safety plan will be available to support your efforts. In turn, you could support them by showing your interest in their activities and perhaps making a small donation.

Have a gorgeous week.

Peter Donaldson
PRINCIPAL

Please vote for our Coldstream Students
Lilydale Show Poster Competition Readers’ Choice
We’ve Been Busy in the Beach House!
Systems in the Human Body, Capacity with Rice, Swimming and Blind Fold Taste Testing with our Buddies
The F-2 Students are learning all about different systems in the human body this term.

Ask your child a few things about what they have learned!

Mr Best showing us how the digestive system works
Have You Seen?
Fun Fit Incursion    F-2
Build A Roll Lunch Order    Whole School

Student Star Achievers

Harvest & Craft Market 2016
Our annual market fundraiser will be held on
Sunday 6th March
We have two new Market Organisers who have kindly stepped up to run next year’s market in Michelle Talbot and Ev Smith. If you have queries about our market, whether it be having a stall or any help you may be able to offer to make this major fundraiser a huge success please contact Michelle on 0417 386 169 or Ev on 0412 013 509

Weekly Attendance Champions

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Thank You
On behalf of Bec, Chris and our family, I would like to thank the school community for their concern, thoughts and prayers following Bec’s accident; it has made a difficult time easier to bear. Bec is looking forward to coming back to school as soon as she is able to thank you in person. Janet