It's wonderful to have a new bike shed at Rangeview!

**Diary Dates 2014**

**February**
- Thu 13th: Chess classes begin
- Thu 20th: No Foundation at school
- Fri 21st: Twilight Sports-SC
- Fri 28th: Parent/Teacher Interviews

**March**
- Wed 5th: No Foundation at school
- Mon 10th: Labor Day Holiday
- Tue 11th: Yr 2 Swimming starts
- Thu 13th: No Foundation at school
- Thu 27th: Parent/Teacher Interviews

**Sat 15th**
- Rangeview FAIR
  - Wed 19th: School Council Meet 7pm
  - Fri 21st: Yr 2 Swimming ends
  - Mon 24th: Yr 1 Swimming begins
  - Thu 27th: L3 Warrandyte Walk
  - Fri 28th: L4 Warrandyte Walk

**April**
- Thu 3rd: School Photos
  - Fri 4th: Yr 1 Swimming ends
  - Mon 21st: Easter Monday holiday
- Tue 22nd: First Day Term 2

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**From the Principal’s Desk**

**Parent Teacher Interviews**

The ‘Getting To Know You’ interviews will be held on Wednesday, 26th and Thursday, 27th Feb to allow an opportunity for parents/guardians to meet with their child’s teacher and share information to ensure a productive start to the school year. As mentioned in last week’s newsletter an online booking process was introduced last year called PTO (see icon above).

A sealed envelope addressed to parents/guardians will be sent home today with your child. Enclosed will be a letter fully explaining how and when it can be accessed on Rangeview’s website, together with your log in details.

This icon will be active on Rangeview’s website between 9am Monday, 17th Feb to 4pm Friday, 21st Feb for you to log on and make a booking.

If you do not have Internet access, a computer will be available in the school foyer during these dates for your use. Please note: there will be no Foundation interviews due to the interviews undertaken earlier in the year but an ‘Open Rooms’ will be held in the 4 Foundation rooms between 6.30pm and 7.15pm which you are welcome to attend.

**Twilight Sports on the Green:** On Friday, 21st February our school council will be running the annual twilight sports on the oval to celebrate the fundraising focus to ‘Bring Back the Green to Rangeview’. This is a wonderful night for families old and new to meet (details over page).

**LEVEL REPRESENTATIVES:** Thank you to all the parents who nominated to be Level (Class) Representatives this year. We are in the process of collating expressions of interest but there are still levels needing a parent representative. If you are interested but unsure of the role please speak to your level teacher. This role can also be shared between parents.

**School Council - Notice of Election and Call for Nominations 2014/15**

Nominations open on Friday for a two year position on the Rangeview Primary School Council. This is an opportunity to be actively involved in your child’s education. You can meet a number of school council members at the Twilight Sports event on Friday, 21st February. If you would like to know more about the role and the level of commitment please talk to one of the school council reps manning the barbeque or handing out ribbons. There are four vacancies for the Parent Member category, and one Community member.

Nomination forms are available at the office. The nomination forms must be lodged by 4pm on Friday, 28th February. Should a ballot be required the ballot will close at 4pm on Friday, 14th March.

**Level 3 Flora and Fauna (Kitchen Garden)**

The Level 3 students have begun the Flora Fauna program working in vegetable gardens and the kitchen. The classes rotate through the activities throughout the term. The first cooking session used the ripening tomatoes and salad vegetables. Some produce is for sale at the office and all money raised goes towards the teaching kitchen and the maintenance of the flourishing gardens and orchard.

**START UP** - Over these two weeks we are running the Start Up Program in every level of the school. During this time the children get to know each other really well, realising that we are all individuals and need to be respected for our unique talents and skills. The newly introduced school values, Respect, Responsibility, Teamwork, and Learning, under the banner ‘Together We Learn’ were developed in 2013 with staff, student and parent input.

We are all members of the Rangeview community; students, staff and parents and as such have a right to be cared for and be safe, but also have responsibilities for the care, safety and wellbeing of others and the environment.

**Rangeview Fair-Saturday, 15th March 2014**

Planning is underway for our 2014 School Fair on Saturday, 15th March. We are inviting all interested parents and friends of the Rangeview Community to be involved. This is a major fundraising focus for our school in 2014. Sabreena Dowell and Nikki Lewis, with parents in our school community are ably leading the massive organization of this event. Students, staff and parents will have the opportunity to be involved and we are looking forward to a number of exciting ways to contribute (all Fair notices will be printed on bright paper).
Principal’s Report Continued

Foundation
The foundation students have had a busy first week meeting their level 5 or 6 buddy and working in a range of the specialist classes and becoming familiar with their class and the playground. The eagerly awaited traditional German gift, Schultüten, celebrates this first full week of school, so congratulations to all our foundation students. Thanks to the parents involved in assembling the Schultüten.

Farewell German Exchange Teacher - Anne Schiro
Exchange teacher, Anne has worked at Rangeview since October 2013. At the Monday assembly we presented Anne and her host family, the Souths with flowers. She has been involved in many aspects of the German program including the Oktoberfest celebrations. On behalf of the school community I would like to acknowledge her contributions to Rangeview and wish Anne all the best in the future as she returns to Germany in the near future.

Mrs Liz Barr - Principal

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Cyber Safety Tip

Yesterday, Tuesday 11th February, was international Safer Internet Day. The theme this year is Let’s create a better internet together. It’s important to increase people’s awareness of how we, as individuals, affect the online community. Key concepts that we need to talk with our children about include our:
- **digital reputations** - how we present ourselves online
- **inner moral compass** - that integrity inside us that guides us to do the right thing, even when no one is looking
- **digital footprint** - sites visited as well as posted comments and photos; the things we leave behind

Don’t forget that family members can work collaboratively to enter this year’s Rangeview Safer Internet Day Competition (there should be 2 or more family members involved). Entrants are required to create a poster that explicitly teaches a way that we can “create a better internet together”. Finished posters can be hand drawn or digitally designed and entries should be submitted on A4 paper. Entries close Friday 14th March 2014. There are prizes up for grabs and winning entries will be featured on the school’s website, displayed around the school, featured in the Rangeview News and used in our school’s future cyber-safety education program. Grab a form from the office, to enter and for more details!

Ms Box

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Rangeview Twilight Sports

Friday, 21st February

The Twilights Sports is a School Council initiative, so come along and see your School Council Members in action. There will be a sausage sizzle available for purchase prior to the sports commencement. This is always a fun, well attended event. Everyone welcome! Bring picnic rugs, chairs, food & drinks. As in past years this is an alcohol free event.

**Please remember that if your child suffers from any medical conditions such as asthma, anaphylaxis etc. please bring along their medication. We will have a basic first aid station set up on the night.**

Looking forward to see as many families as possible who are able to come!

- School Council Committee

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**Pre ordering for sausage sizzle**

5.30pm Sausage Sizzle - 6.30pm start

We will be purchasing _________(number) sausages on the night.

Family Name ........................................... Eldest Child’s Level ..................

**PLEASE NOTE:** Do not send money with this order. All payments are to be made on the night.

If your family has any special dietary requirements or allergies, alternative arrangements will need to be made.
German News

We have had a busy start in German: The Foundation children received their Schultüten last Friday. A heartfelt ‘Dankeschön’ to all the helpers who have made this special tradition possible: Parents who helped make, fill and distribute the Schultüten; Frau Schiro who helped tirelessly to get them ready for 2014 and many students from different levels, who were also involved in making and decorating them. What a great community effort.

In Germany, the tradition of the Schultüte dates back to approximately 1810 and continues to make the new school children’s first day more enjoyable.

Sadly, we are saying “Auf Wiedersehen” to Frau Schiro this week as reported in the Rangeview News at assembly. It has been great for Rangeview to have such an enthusiastic and hardworking person support the German program as well as individual classes. Frau Schiro will return to Hannover to complete her studies as a primary school teacher. We wish her every success in her future endeavours.

During her stay, Frau Schiro was hosted by the South family. We very much appreciate the South family’s commitment and support and are very grateful for the opportunity to share in Frau Schiro’s talents.

Frau Lindner and myself would very much appreciate some Parent Helpers who could spare some time to occasionally help with scanning, certificates, laminating, or preparations for major events such as the Lantern Parade, Oktoberfest, and the Schultüten.

Tschüß, Frau Thaler und Frau Lindner

Rangeview Community Committee (RCC)

Annual General Meeting - Tuesday, 18th February at 7.00pm Everyone Welcome!

The Rangeview Community Committee is your community committee dedicated to contributing to the well being of School Community members (students, parents and staff), liaising with the School Council and the Principal in identifying needs and concerns within the School Community, encouraging the participation of all parents in the life of the school and the education of their children, providing opportunities for parents to get to know each other and to be informed about their child’s school and to raise funds for the benefit of the school. As families of students attending Rangeview you are automatically members of the RCC. If you are interested in getting involved in any of the committee’s activities or arranging a new activity via the RCC, please attend our AGM or contact Nikki Lewis-Boyle on 0416 114 079. Any and all contributions are most welcome and we’d love to see you there!

RANGEVIEW COMMUNITY COMMITTEE – 2014 NOMINATION FORM

I _______________________________ wish to nominate for the position of _______________ _______________

(your name) (President, Vice President, Secretary, Treasurer, Newsletter Editor, School Council Liaison, General Member)

to the Rangeview Community Committee for 2014. I understand this is a 12 month appointment.

My nomination is supported by:

1) _______________________________

2) _______________________________

(signature & print name of any 2 members of the school community)
MUSIC NEWS

Music Groups - Junior Choir
Junior Choir will start on Monday 10th February in the music room at 8.15am. The wonderful Ms Rebecca Hull will be running this group again this year. Students in Level two can join. They will need a plastic pocket book for their music. There will be no audition, students can come along and just enjoy the singing. It’s a great way to start the day.

Senior Choir - Senior Choir will begin on Tuesday 11th February at 8.15am in the music room. We have a very exciting event planned for these students in term two. Students in Grade three to six can join. They will need a plastic pocket book for their music. Students who enjoy singing are encouraged to be part of this group.

School Band - Our School Band grew from strength to strength last year under the direction of Mrs Karman Melitis (Lee) and we want this to really continue. Our Band will begin rehearsals on Wednesday 12th February. Please speak to Mrs Melitis about joining if you are learning an instrument and can read music.

Please note that if your child commits to Junior, Senior Choir or the Band it is a full year commitment and carries a $15 cost.

Student of the Week - Assembly 3pm - Monday, 17th February 2014

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<td>For working very diligently on all your work tasks and presenting them in a very neat and colourful manner. Well done, Beau! You are fabulous!</td>
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<td>F D</td>
<td>Hamish</td>
<td>For remembering to put your hand up when you have something to say and for your beautiful manners. I love the way you always say please and thank you! Fantastic Hamish!</td>
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<td>F H</td>
<td>Tim</td>
<td>For the fantastic detail in your drawings and the effort you put in to your handwriting. Keep up the amazing work!</td>
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<td>Joshua M</td>
<td>For being such a great helper when cleaning up the classroom after an activity. You have been a superstar Joshua! Keep it up!</td>
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<td>Asha</td>
<td>For demonstrating the school value of learning by always listening to others and trying her best. Congratulations Asha. Keep up the excellent effort!</td>
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<td>Savannah</td>
<td>For writing an interesting recount of a Terrific Experience. All of your written work is carefully and creatively completed. Well done Savannah!</td>
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<td>Sophia</td>
<td>For settling back into Rangeview so easily and for inspiring us with your wonderful creativity and enthusiasm for learning. Keep up the great work, Sophia!</td>
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<td>Working enthusiastically throughout the first week of school. Keep working as a team, Grade 2.</td>
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<td>Lucy</td>
<td>For using your wonderful memory to write an excellent recount about Max the Minnow. Great work, Lucy!</td>
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<td>Poppy</td>
<td>What a great start to the year—listening and working on organisational skills, reading avidly, enthusiastically participating in all classroom activities and sharing maths strategies. Keep up the good work!</td>
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<td>Krishna</td>
<td>For great organisational skills and his willingness to help others. A great start to the year Krishna.</td>
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<td>Isobel</td>
<td>What a fabulous start to grade four! You naturally model all of our school’s values and your reputation as a kind, caring and hardworking student has already earned you much respect. We are so lucky to have you in our class, Isobel!</td>
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<td>Sasha</td>
<td>You used the PAINT program to draw a good representation of Victoria, adding names of towns, as well as Melbourne and the Murray River. You were the only student to complete the task in the time available. Well done Sasha!</td>
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<td>Sam</td>
<td>For making a fantastic start to the year. You’re making some responsible decisions, displaying high order thinking and proving to be a great role model for others. Keep it up!</td>
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<td>Emme</td>
<td>For your outstanding persuasive writing about the Philippines being ‘The best ever school holiday place’. Fantastic effort!</td>
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<td>6 M</td>
<td>Grade 6M</td>
<td>For demonstrating all of our school values in the first week of school, making our classroom a great place to be!</td>
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Parent-Teacher Interviews Semester, 2014

Wednesday February 12th, 2014

Dear Parent/Guardian,

Parent-Teacher interviews will be held for level 1 to level 6 classes from times outlined below:

- 3.40pm – 7.30pm on Wednesday 26th February
- 3.40pm – 6.00pm on Thursday 27th February

Specialist teachers will be available in the library on both these days between 4.00pm - 6.00pm. No bookings necessary.

There will be no Foundation interviews due to the interviews undertaken earlier in the year but an ‘Open Rooms’ will be held in the 4 Foundation rooms between 6.30pm and 7.15pm which you are welcome to attend.

Interviews will be of 10 minutes duration.

Please access the system as follows:

- Go to the school’s website home page www.rangeview.vic.edu.au
- Click on the PTO icon as shown here
- Enter your surname and PIN, provided on the enclosed slip of the letter sent home today

Pleasing Note: Access to this program for Parents will be active from 9.00 am Monday February 17th to 4.00 pm Friday February 21st

A computer will be available in the school foyer from the above dates and times during school hours if you do not have internet access at home or elsewhere

Full instructions are provided to you after log in. Please note the following points:

- When you log on, the system displays only your own child/children. Bookings are made for individual parents/guardians, not for couples. Couples can however log on to the system simultaneously to coordinate bookings. If two parents/guardians wish to attend a single interview time slot, one parent/guardian should make the booking they both can attend.
- You will only see time slots that are available at the time you are using this system. As time slots are booked for teachers, those time slots are no longer displayed as available. PTO prevents double-booking of teachers for parents/guardians.
- When you have made all the bookings you require, you can download or email a report of your bookings in time order for printing. You can log in and change bookings any time up to 4pm Friday February 21st.
- If you see this symbol displayed along side the class name, it means this teacher recommends that you book an interview.
- Other parents may be making bookings at the same time that you are using the system. It is possible, though unlikely, that a time slot is displayed to you as available, but is then booked by another parent shortly afterwards. If you then attempt to book this time slot it will not be available and a message will be displayed to indicate this.
- If you encounter any problems using PTO please contact the school office by phone on 9874 6381.
- Children in separated families will receive a posted letter.

I am sure the system will be of benefit to students, parents and staff. Any feedback you may wish to provide will be most welcome.

Yours sincerely,

Ian Bunston
Assistant Principal

Brenda Porteous
Business Manager
Doncaster Hockey Club is running a FREE “Come’n’Try” hockey clinic for boys and girls aged 5-14 years old at 10am on the Saturday 1st March! It’s fun, local and a great way to have a go at this exciting, family sport.

Exciting event happening in North Ringwood next weekend for all avid cricket fans! Go to: http://www.communitycricketcup.com.au

Billanook College Year 7, 2015 Academic Scholarship Exam

Saturday 1 March. Closing Date for Applications: Friday 21 February, 5.00pmApplications should be made online: www.billanook.vic.edu.au

Try Out Night – Mon 17/2 – “Winter Olympics”

For more information or to register interest in trying out Anytime contact: Steven Archibald (Group Leader) gl@1st-heatherdale.asn.au or Sue Taylor (Asst Joey Scout Leader) on bilby@1st-heatherdale.asn.au

Boot Camp for Singles

Held at Rangeview P.S.
See website for full details: www.bootcampforsingles.com

RUGBY LEAGUE

2014 Season Online Registration Now Open:

www.easternraptores.com.au

Boys & Girls: Ages from 4-16 years old & Girls 12-16 League Tag Team
Also seeking applications from Coaches, Trainers, Team Managers and general volunteers

2014 Registration Day & League Tag Games: 16th February & 2nd March - 10am - 2pm
Colchester Reserve, Boronia

For More Information: 0421 154 776
Email: secretaries@easternraptores.com.au
Visit: www.easternraptores.com.au
Visit www.facebook.com/aastemraptoresRLC

Yes! Please reserve a place/s at the Reading Session for me.

NAME/S: ..............................................................................................................................

My Contact Telephone Number is: ..................................................................................

I have children in Level/s (Grade/s) .....................................................................................
or alternatively telephone the School on 9874 6381 to book in.
Marita Horvath Literacy Coordinator

CLASS REPRESENTATIVES STILL NEEDED

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Tennis Victoria Mum’s Program

Term 1 Program Dates
24th Feb - 28th March 2014
Please see full details on the schools notice board

FOUND ON GOOD GOVERS STREET ON TUESDAY FEBRUARY 4TH ONE ISA-BROWN CHICKEN YOUNG AND LAYING.

FOR MORE INFORMATION PLEASE CONTACT ANDREA ON 0439 363 737

Reading

Parent Information Session

Tuesday March 25

2.15pm - 3.30pm

Portable 2 (Grade 2 classroom)

Find out about the reading process & how you can assist your child.
Parents of Foundation (Prep) to Year 2 children will find the session most useful.
We ask that parents who wish to help in the classroom attend one of our reading sessions.
Please note this is a repeat of the PAT /Classroom helpers’ Reading session held last year.
Please book by March 11 by returning the form or phoning the school.

Yes! Please reserve a place/s at the Reading Session for me.

NAME/S: ..............................................................................................................................

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