Diary Dates 2014

December

Wed 10th  Foundation-Food Display
          Carols Night 6.30pm
          (weather dependant)
Thu 11th  Library stocktake (to end of year)
Fri 12th  Parent Helpers Morning
          Tea 11am-11.45am
Tue 16th  L6 Graduation
          L3 & 4 Fish & Chip lunch
Wed 17th  Reports go home
Thu 18th  Last Day - 1.00pm Assembly
          1.30pm approx. dismissal
          After School Care available

Book Pack 2015 - Pick up Dates
Fri 23rd January 9am - 3pm
Tues 27th January 11am - 2pm
Thur 29th January - 9am - 11am
    (NOTE: THURSDAY 29th NOT Wed.)

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The View

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From the Principal’s Desk

The Deakin Shield Student Awards
The Deakin Shield Student Awards were presented at assembly on Monday, 8th December by Michael Sukkar MP., Liberal Member for Deakin. The following awards were given:
Holly F- Community,
Dhairya J- Academic Excellence
Luka C- Music

Congratulations to the above students.

Carols on the Oval  Wednesday, 10th December 6.30pm - 8.30pm
We have advertised the Carols on the oval however this will be dependent on the weather. The unseasonal rain may mean that it will have to be on the asphalt. We will decide on the day – as we all know how unpredictable Melbourne weather can be. Please check the school website homepage: www.rangeview.vic.edu.au after 3pm on Wednesday for the final decision.

School Council
At the last School Council meeting for 2014 the council approved:
• 2015 Indicative Budget and CAP EX Budget 2015
• 2014-17 School Strategic Plan
• The construction of the enclosed space between the Senior Hub
• eSmart Staff Handbook

It has been an exciting time for the school as the master plan comes to fruition. The portables are in place and landscaping and construction of the deck have settled the level 2 buildings into their area. The space between the 3 portables, for level 5 and 6 on the old basketball court, will be enclosed with roof, floor and doors. Unfortunately, delays with drawings have deferred the start date for this project and it is anticipated that it will be finished during term 1 next year.

The 2014-2017 School Strategic Plan has been approved by senior advisors from DEECD, as well as School Council.

The school’s 4 goals are:
◊ Improve individual student achievement in literacy and numeracy (Student Achievement)
◊ Strengthen student engagement in their learning with their peers and school
◊ Improve student connectedness (Student Wellbeing)
◊ Improve communication throughout the school community (Productivity)

These goals form the Annual Implementation Plan (AIP) with the key improvement strategies, actions, milestones and targets. Staff and School Council will reflect on the achievements of these goals throughout the period of time until 2017. Any changes to the goals or targets have to be ratified by the School Council.

Phillip Hughes – Cricket bats
Students from level 4 placed cricket bats at the front doors into the foyer in honour of Phillip Hughes. Cricket is a popular game at Rangeview with many students vying for space on the lower asphalt at recess and lunchtime. Many students are aware of Phillip Hughes’ recent funeral and this event is a timely reminder of how precious life is.

Level 6 Graduation Preparations
Many of our level 6 parents are helping with the preparations for the Graduation Ceremony on Tuesday, 16th December. It may be a last chance to support your child in a special event before they move away from this school and onto their secondary school.

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Principals Report Continued

Class Structure for 2015

00B  Julie Buisman
00D  Melissa Dann
00G  Rebecca Gordon (nee Hull)
00H  Meg Hubbard
00N  Natasha Hale
1G  Linda Giardino
1H  Marita Horvath
1L  Marguerite Laing / Tania Balderston
1M  Margaret Goulding
2B  Carmel Brown
2D  Melissa Dolphin
2M  Liz McDonald / Jackie Quin
34S  Caroline St Ruth
3J  Elizabeth Joyce
3L  Khay Le
3OC  Lisa O’Connor
4A  Alexandra Box
4B  Nicole Barnes
4H  Karen Hastie
5E  Ryan Evans
5M  Anju Mehta
5W  Carol Wilson
6K  Marianne Kehoe
6M  Kate Morgan
6N  Faye Natoli

Specialist Team
Art - Deirdree Geilings & Karman Melitsis
Library - Robyn Blythe & Deirdree Geilings
LOTE - Martina Thaler
Music - Shirley Van der Toorren & Karman Melitsis
Physical Education - Michael Sacchetta

OSHClub Holiday Program
Please note the change of date - the Holiday Program starts on January, 5th 2015 before school resumes for students on Friday, 30th January. See the flyer on page 5 of this newsletter.

Ideas for Open Area
Abbey and Isobel from 4A have written a letter of ideas for the newly opened area at the west end of the school following the demolition of the 3 portables. The letter was shared at school council on Wednesday. Abbey and Isobel have suggested an outdoor classroom, a bigger animal enclosure and a soccer pitch and goal.
In Term 1, 2015 we will start collecting ideas from students, staff, parents and school council.

Candy Canes
In line with the school policy for confectionary, we ask students not to distribute candy canes with their Christmas cards. Children could receive multiples of the sugary sweet, and it is often handed out at the beginning of the day.

Parent Helpers Celebration morning tea - Friday, 12th Dec 11am-11.45am
Please see the invitation and RSVP slip on page 3 of this newsletter.

School Levies
There are still levies and excursions outstanding for this year. Statements are being sent home to those families this week and we ask you to please finalise these by the latest Monday, 15th December. Rangeview Primary School relies on these payments to be able to provide the outstanding curriculum program and extensive range of materials to enable effective participation in our excellent programs. These programs are funded entirely through the annual parent contributions.

Liz Barr - Principal
**Music News**

**Carols Night**
We are all looking forward to our annual Carols Night on Wednesday night (weather permitting). Could all students in the band be there by 6pm ready to set up and play. The whole school has been rehearsing, so fingers crossed the weather will be fine and the night will go well. Please assist all staff by dropping off students to their teacher and staying in the designated areas. At the end of the night if you could assist with the packing up we would really appreciate it.

**String Workshop**
Last week a number of our violin students participated in the Annual String workshop held at Blackburn High School. This school is renown for the work they do with students who play an instrument and are interested in Music. It was held over a couple of days with the students performing at the end. I would like to thank Trent Bunston, their teacher, for encouraging and organizing our students to participate. They all enjoyed themselves and improving their skills.

**Farewell Sam Poustie**
Sadly, we have to say farewell to our percussion teacher Sam Poustie. Sam has had a long association with our school. He first came as a student and also learnt the drums. He participated in music camps, productions and many other music events. He went to Box Hill High and then University where he has just successfully completed an engineering degree. During his secondary and Uni days he has continued learning drums and played in various bands. He was very keen to come back to Rangeview and start teaching our students. Sam has been a wonderful percussion teacher. He relates well to his students and cares about each one. He has made his lessons interesting and often brought in parts of his drum set for the students to play on.
Karmen and I wish him all the best in his new job. We will all certainly miss him.

**James Dann**
We welcome James Dann to our instrumental team.
James has been studying the drums and is keen now to take on some students at Rangeview. He has been sitting in on Sam’s lessons to allow for a smooth transition. To contact James for Percussion lessons next year please ring him on 0409 189 428.

**Instrumental Reports**
These will again be included in the classroom reports.

*Shirley Van Der Toorren & Karman Melitsis*
*Performing Arts Teachers*

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**CELEBRATION FOR OUR PARENT HELPERS**
*Friday, 12th December at 11am to 11.45am*

Dear Parent/Guardian,

To acknowledge the help you have provided Rangeview Primary School this year, we would like to invite you to join us for a BIG THANK YOU function that will be held in the school Multipurpose Hall on Friday, 12th December at 11am to 11.45am. We hope to see you there!

Please complete the below reply slip (for catering purposes) and return it to the school office as soon as possible or ring the office on 9874 6381.

**Mrs Liz Barr - Principal**

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**CELEBRATION FOR OUR PARENT HELPERS 2014**

1. We are able to attend the Rangeview Celebration for Parent Helpers.

Parent Name/s: __________________________

Child’s Name & Level: __________________________
## Student of the Week - for Monday, 15th December assembly

**F B**  
Alicia: For always working at 100% capacity on all your work. I am impressed with your effort and commitment to all the tasks you have attempted. A fabulous effort, Alicia! Well done!  
Charlotte: For your fabulous effort with your reading and writing. You have been working extremely hard and with enthusiasm, and have achieved very pleasing results. Well done, Charlotte! You are a star!  
Wil: For your enthusiasm and effort in our iPad sessions. You stay focused and give your work 100% effort. Well done, Wil! You are fabulous!  
Ryan: For your wonderful effort in our iPad sessions. I am impressed with the way you give your work your full attention and you present your completed work to a very good standard. Well done, Ryan!

**F H**  
FH: For all continuing to work together so well, preparing for Grade/Level 1, while Miss Hull was away. Very impressive everyone!

**F S**  
Jakey P: For working extremely hard in his maths and learning about place value. Jakey always tries his best and as a result he is a fast learner. Well done!!  
Jack H: For being a good independent reader and learning to read with fluency. Jack always works hard during reading time and as result he has made significant improvements. Well done Jack!

**2 G**  
Sophia: For all your hard work and achievements this year. Despite the challenge of a new language, you have excelled in all areas. You are amazing!

**3/4S**  
Dru: Creative use of Emjoi keyboard to write the homophone poem about two racehorses, Oneone and Tutu. Very clever, Dru!

**4 B**  
Chad: You flourish in open-ended tasks, generating many creative ideas. We loved the creation of a crossword to communicate the meanings of your home word study which you had printed and copied for your classmates to solve. Another example was cleverly naming your new brand of milk as Udderly Mootiful. Your work is udderly inspirational, Chad!  
Abbey & Lanchu: You are working hard to improve your understandings in Maths and have made great progress with your number sense this semester. This shows that you are taking responsibility for your own learning, which shows great character as a learner. Keep it up!

**4 H**  
Lajeen, Harry, Toby, Mason, Eliza & Isaac: For an excellent display of collaborative work to plan and make your First Fleet ship – the Scarborough. You excelled as a team with your ability to listen to each other and work together.

**5/6K**  
Ashlyn & Clare: Great Christmas story writing for your buddy, fantastic!

**6 M**  
Tom: For an outstanding year both in and outside the classroom. You are a wonderful role model to all students and demonstrate all of the school values in everything that you do. Congratulations Tom!

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### SCHOOL DATES

**School Term Dates 2014**

**Term 4:** 6 Oct to 19 Dec  
(* assembly at 1.00pm  
* early dismissal at approx. 1.30pm  
* After School Care available - book in)

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### Four things to remember.

Please remind children to...

1. **Slip** on clothing that covers their skin.  
2. **Slop** on SPF 30 or higher broad spectrum sunscreen before going outside. Please ask them to remember to pack their sunscreen each day and get a buddy to help them reapply.  
3. **Slap** on a hat that shades their head, face, eyes, ears and neck. Encourage them to remember their school hat each day so they can play outside the sun safe way.  
4. **Seek** shady spots in the playground.
Many of our students are heading off to secondary college next year and social networking becomes important to many during the teenage years, being seen as an important medium to facilitate friendships and social belonging.

As a parent, you can help your child have positive experiences on social networking sites by doing the following:

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<th>Stay involved in your child’s use of new technology. Set up your own account and learn about privacy settings so that you can understand how you can best protect your child.</th>
<th>Show them how to set up location services so they are not inadvertently broadcasting their location.</th>
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<td>Check the age restrictions for the social networking service or game. Some SNS are created especially for children but most mainstream sites like Facebook and Instagram require the user to be 13 or older.</td>
<td>Remind children to be careful when making new friends online - people may not be who they say they are. Never arrange to meet an online friend unless a trusted adult is with them. Groomers can be very manipulative, and there have even been cases of sending a bribed child to the first meeting, giving a false sense of security to a child and their parent, in the hope that next time the targeted child will come alone.</td>
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<td>Advise children to set their accounts to private so that only people they know in person can see and view their information.</td>
<td>Report any abuse or inappropriate content to the SNS and show children how to do this too.</td>
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<td>Encourage children to think before they post. Information posted online can be difficult or impossible to remove. An inappropriate image posted today can have a long term impact on their [digital] reputation.</td>
<td>Learn how to keep a copy of online conversations and learn how to block people if required.</td>
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SNS is the acronym for Social Networking Sites.
Rangeview Primary School began implementing an optional BYOiPad program for Level 4 and Foundation students in 2014. This will continue into 2015 with the optional program being offered from mid-year for students entering Foundation and from the beginning of the year for students entering Level 4 and Level 6 in 2015. They will continue into 2015 and beyond.

Rangeview Primary School in conjunction with our technical support provider JB HI FI Educational Solutions, are able to offer an online portal to purchase iPads. This portal also offers the benefit of insurance, accidental damage and theft protection, as well as various payment options including credit card and eftpos. There will be a finance option plan payable over 1, 2 or 3 years available soon. The first delivery of iPads from JB HiFi (portal orders), will be in the last week of school 2014, and the second delivery will be around the last week of January, 2015.

There is no obligation to purchase through the JB HiFi portal or to purchase any of the ancillary services offered. Other retailers may provide comparative prices.

BYOiPad portal open

Any iPad Mini, iPad 2, iPad 4, iPad Air or iPad Air 2 is suitable however an iPad with a higher memory (e.g. 32GB or above) will allow more storage space for apps, photos, videos and may be more suited to your needs and longevity of use.

iPads will need to be in a protective case with sturdy corners.

All students will need earphones or buds, Foundation students will be required to bring earphones only.

To access the JB HiFi portal, click on the link on the website: top tab - ICT@Rangeview / BYOiPad Program / click on JB icon as displayed below

OR visit their website: www.jbeducation.com.au/byod

The code to enter is: RPS2015
Thank you to everyone who has put their name down to care for the Rangeview Pets over the summer holidays. Without your marvellous help the Program could not continue. Please check the below Roster and you will have each others details if you need to swap in the holidays. There are still openings or relief work for next year, just let Mrs Joyce know asap.

Thank you!

19/12/14  -  Jenny Kerr
23/12/14 Tuesday (& Public Holidays) -  Kylie Pielz
27/12/14 Saturday (Public Holidays)  -  Ola O’Connor
31/12/14 Wednesday (Public Holidays)  -  Kirsten Boxall
04/01/15 Sunday  -  Amber Thorgersen
08/01/15 Thursday  -  Bec & Ben Stacy
12/01/15 Monday  -  Mel Alder
16/01/15 Friday  -  Alex and Hamish Campbell
20/01/15 Tuesday .  -  Simon DeRoos
25/01/2014 until begin -  Carla Temple (Watson)
31/01/15 Saturday  -  Brodie Woodland
7/02/15  -  Natalie Hind

You may have noticed that our fifteen chicks have grown rapidly and will be ready for a new home by the holidays.

They are very cute indeed with a variety of colours and types.
If you are interested in purchasing some for your backyard, to add to your flock, please let Beth Joyce in room 1 know.

From the Level 3 students and teachers.
Rangeview Primary School does not endorse the service or product of any advertisements, paid or unpaid, printed in this newsletter.

Lost Property

LOTS OF DRINK BOTTLES & PLASTIC CONTAINERS!!!

Please check the LOST property bucket as soon as possible.

Please ensure ANY/ALL clothing and other items brought to school are clearly named.

Due to lack of space any uniform clothing items remaining (unnamed) in the LOST bucket by Friday, 12th December will be donated to the second hand Rangeview Clothing Exchange. All other items will be donated to charity.

Rangeview Clothing Exchange

Best Wishes & Happy Birthday to the following students!

December

10th Dec  Jacob P
11th Dec  Jake C
12th Dec  Alexandra
14th Dec  Darcy
15th Dec  Charlie
16th Dec  Caleb
11th Dec  Neve
12th Dec  Phoebe
13th Dec  Hayden
14th Dec  Emma

“Xmas Tree Sales, 1st Mitcham Scouts, selling at Bunnings Nunawading 13th / 14th, 20th/21st December. Phone Steve 0413731528 for queries or pre sales”.

Rangeview Primary School

Your school uniform is available online & at PSW Croydon.

Laybys are available with a 20% deposit.

New Store Opening Hours

Uniform Sale

Take 5% off*

Mon 10 Nov-Sat 13 Dec

Don’t miss out and missing time offer

Rangeview Clothing Exchange

Every Thursday  8.45am to approx. 9.30am

Neighbourhood Watch Meeting

Dates for 2014

Held at Rangeview P.S. Meetings commence at 7.30pm for approx. 1 hour duration.

Last one for 2014! Tue, 9th December

Everyone Welcome!