Facilities update

Drainage works that begun last year was held up through consultation to address the linking of the swale on the south side of the school. This had to join into our existing drainage. The works included a new pipeline from behind the hall, across the staff car park and down the driveway entrance into the school. There was a sense of urgency to complete this stage before school recommenced and that included working over the weekends. Temporary fencing has been removed and the area cleaned. Families using the Vacation Care program were inconvenienced with the works and had to park in the street. We appreciate your understanding during this time.

The school anticipates further drainage works at the west end of the school boundary in the future. This is dependent on funding from the Department of Education & Training.

The oval had maintenance works over the holiday break with de-compacting the soil, fertilising the existing grass and reseeding the area. After such a harsh summer the oval desperately needed some nurturing with the benefit of the early autumn rains and the late summer warmth. The oval is a lovely shade of green again but will need to remain closed for 2 more weeks. Part of the oval will be further rested for a number of weeks to allow more growing time before winter sets in.

At the next School Council meeting a presentation of the preferred capital expenditure projects for 2016 will be made. The Master Plan/Capital Expenditure sub-committee will review the information collected from staff, students through Junior School Council representatives and the Rangeview Community Committee. A number of projects are under consideration and these include replacing the slide on the oval, fans in the hall, creative play area, resurfacing the large asphalt area with a synthetic surface, oval banks with retaining walls and performance area, the development of the area near the Munroe Street entrance with extra seating, creative play and outdoor kitchen area. Some projects may be funded through the sourcing of grants and some through capital expenditure that is approved by School Council. The four-year plan of projects will continue to evolve as needs arise.

Transition

This Tuesday, all level 6 students received their transition packs for nominating their secondary school of choice. I have mentioned before that it is timely for families with level 5 students to be visiting secondary school options during this year to develop an informed opinion of the right school for their child. So keep a look out for open evenings and days and tours to view a school in action.

Foundation Students in 2017

Planning is well underway for 2017 Foundation with well attended weekly tours and information flyers to be displayed in local preschools and day care centres shortly.

The Foundation Information Evening is to be held on Thursday, 12th May 2016 and will cover the many aspects of the student’s first year and subsequent years of school with teachers and students speaking. If you have a child starting in Foundation next year I encourage you to attend this evening in May and also hand in your child’s enrolment form as soon as possible.

CLASS REPS Meeting

Friday, 15th April at 9.10am

Class representatives meeting is this Friday at 9.10am in the staffroom. This provides an opportunity for the Rangeview Community Committee to keep these parents aware of upcoming events and to encourage support for the mother’s day stall, Mum’s Night Out, hot food days etc.

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Principal's Report Continued

NAPLAN (National Assessment of Literacy and Numeracy)
Preparations for NAPLAN are under way. Students in Level 3 and Level 5 are preparing for NAPLAN (National Assessment Program of Literacy and Numeracy). This preparation is a regular part of the daily instruction in the classroom and will include the types of questions they may encounter in the test. I acknowledge the importance of this national assessment and I suggest that if parents have any concerns about this assessment they speak to their child’s classroom teacher.

The schedule for NAPLAN is:
Tuesday, 10th May – Language Conventions
Wednesday 11th May - Reading
Thursday, 12th May - Numeracy

Students need to be well rested and on time at school as in most cases the testing will take place before recess. For further information please refer to: www.naplan.edu.au

Pupil Free Day - Monday 30th May
A reminder that the Pupil Free Day in Term 2 is Monday, May 30th. This is a reporting and assessment day for the mid year reporting process. Term 1 had one pupil free day to start the year to allow time for professional learning. The date for the Term 3 Pupil Free Day is yet to be confirmed.

Lost Items
Parent and student helpers have distributed named, lost jumpers and hats to their owners. However, there is already a growing amount of lost school uniform items without names on them from the end of last term. Please mark your child’s clothing clearly to ensure that the lost items find the rightful owner as quickly as possible.

Foundation 2017 Information Night - Thursday, 12th May 7pm-8.30pm
This evening is geared to Foundation students starting school in 2017. A range of topics including the curriculum program, specialist programs, enrolment process, tips to help your child prepare for school and more will be discussed. A light supper will conclude the evening. Please RSVP on 9874 6381 if you would like to attend.

Education Week 16th to Fri 20th May
Planning is underway for Education Week. Open Night will provide families with the opportunity to see the school in action. There will be many performances and displays to view.
Open Morning Tuesday, 17th May 9-11am (school tour for prospective 2017 Foundation children leaving the office at 9.15am) and Open Evening on Thursday, 19th May 6pm-7.30pm

2016 Annual Activities Levy
The 2016 annual Activities levy is due to be paid by 14th April 2016 either, in FULL or by INSTALMENT. If you have provided your credit card details on the initial form, this amount will be deducted on this date.

Incursion and Excursion permission forms will still be sent home to sign before activities happen. On these notifications the actual costing of each activity will be communicated and the amount will be deducted from the $100.00 levy that has been paid.

Where ‘no payment’ has been received and for those families who have elected to pay by individual activity please note that to ensure your child’s participation payment is requested 1 week prior to the activity at the latest.

2016 Booklist & Curriculum Contribution Levies
For those families who have chosen to pay the Booklist and Curriculum Contributions 2016 by instalments the balance of payment is due the week commencing 25th April 2016. If you have provided your credit card details on the initial form the remaining balance of payment will be deducted during this week. Families who have not provided an automatic deduction authority please arrange to make payment by the due date.

Thankyou to the many families who have already made payment of the abovementioned educational costs for your child(ren). Your response and support of your child’s educational opportunities at Rangeview Primary School is greatly appreciated.

Assembly
Assembly is every Monday at 2.50pm. Families are more than welcome to attend. This week we spoke to students about a great initiative regarding gratefulfulness, which impacts on everyone’s general wellbeing. The ability to be grateful and laugh is a valuable skill. Please visit the following relevant website for more tips and information: http://www.gratefulinapril.com/

Mrs Liz Barr Principal

Music News

Senior Choir Rehearsals
In the lead up to the NEVR concert at Hamer Hall on Tuesday 24th May, rehearsal times will be different as Level 5 and 6 students will be preparing different songs to the Level 3 and 4 students. Therefore, the students participating in the NEVR concert are required to attend rehearsals at 8am. For Level 3 and 4 students and others that are not participating in the concert, please arrive for rehearsal at 8.30am sharp. These new rehearsal times will come into effect in Week 3.

Please note that if rehearsals fall on a public holiday/pupil free day, we will have a rehearsal on a Friday morning instead. A letter will be sent home next week to clarify these dates.

NEVR Choir Students
Please ensure you have paid and returned your T-SHIRT order form by the end of this week.
**ICAS 2016 Reminder**

Forms were sent home last term. **Entry forms and payment are due on Tuesday, April 19**

**th.**

Unfortunately, late entries cannot be accepted.

At Rangeview we are offering the following Competitions for children in Levels 3, 4, 5 and 6.

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The Competition is an initiative of the Educational Assessment Australia at the University of NSW. Past papers can be purchased by visiting the website: [www.eaa.unsw.edu.au](http://www.eaa.unsw.edu.au). A range of practice questions are available on the EAA website at [www.eaa.unsw.edu.au/teachers](http://www.eaa.unsw.edu.au/teachers).

Liz Barr - Principal
Margaret Goulding - Competition Coordinator

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**Term 2 Unit of Study: ‘Just One Day’**

In Term 2, all students at Rangeview will learn about the differences between Australia and developing countries with a focus on the value of education.

The concept of ‘Just One Day’ comes from an organisation called International Needs Australia. International Needs Australia is an overseas aid and development organisation focusing on education and child rights, health and hygiene and women’s empowerment to break the cycle of generational poverty and restore dignity to people in developing countries.

At present 58 million children globally do not have access to basic primary school education.

An overview of the program planned for Rangeview is outlined below:

International Needs Australia staff will provide professional development for Rangeview staff during the second week of term 2, followed by free workshops for all Foundation to Level 6 students.

- **April 22nd: Levels 3 and 4:** 3 workshops – 6 classes
- **April 26th: Levels 5 and 6:** 3 workshops – 6 classes
- **May 4th and May 5th: Fnd to Level 2:** 3 workshops each day

Following the student workshops, teachers will introduce level appropriate activities.

The Australian National Curriculum general capabilities states the following:

‘Enables students to respect and appreciate their own and other’s cultures and to work and communicate with those from different cultures and backgrounds, to develop an appreciation of difference and diversity’.

The topic of ‘Just One Day’ is arguably an authentic learning task and aligns with 21st Century Learning including the skills of Collaboration, Creativity, Critical Thinking, Citizenship, Character and Communication.

A fundraising component towards the end of the unit will be conducted in conjunction with the Junior School Council and International Needs Australia. Funds raised will assist children in developing countries to have greater opportunity to access education.

On Friday, May 20th during Education Week, there will be a whole school focus on ‘Just One Day’ when students will collectively engage in activities based on this topic. In addition to this, classes across the school will have worked towards developing and unpacking this topic in a variety of practical ways across the curriculum.

The School Assembly on Monday May 23rd will be dedicated to celebrating student learning’s from this study with contributions from Foundation to Level 6.

Not only is education a basic human right, but it is the single most effective tool in fighting poverty. Education is the foundation for development and a fundamental part of developing communities. When people are educated they are healthier, live longer, earn more money and are able to contribute in a more meaningful way to society.

We look forward to a very exciting Term 2 with Rangeview students extending their global understanding, appreciation and response to the diverse world they live in.

I’d like to finish with some famous quotes:

‘Let us remember: One book, one pen, one child and one teacher can change the world’. - Malala Yousafzai

‘If we want to reach real peace in this world, we should start educating children’. - Mahatma Gandhi

‘In the 21st century, the best anti-poverty program around is a world-class education’. - Barack Obama

Mr Ian Bunston - Assistant Principal
Best Wishes & Happy Birthday to the following students!

April
13th April Arista
14th April Matilda
16th April Rohan
18th April Bree

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Beth Joyce (3J) Animal Welfare Co-ordinator

PET ROSTER
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All families must be enrolled to attend the program, remember the enrolment process is free!! Please create an account online at www.oshclub.com.au all bookings and cancellations can also be managed via your online account. For on the day bookings please contact the Coordinator direct at the Program.

PARENTING INFORMATION FORUM
Supporting Parents, Grandparents and Carers

Let’s Talk About Drugs and Alcohol

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Venue: Warrihan Room, Winnaleah Centre, 397 Winnaleah Road, Nunawading (rear of Nunawading Library)
Further Information: Please contact Council’s Parent Resource Officer on 9262 6175 or molly.block@whitehorse.vic.gov.au
Cost: $2 gold coin donation payable on the night

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Neighbourhood Watch Rangeview
Come along to the Neighbourhood Watch meetings, held at Rangeview Primary School and help support your community and local area. Meetings commence at 7.30pm and go for approximately 1 hour. 19th April 2016
14th June 2016
9th August 2016
11th October 2016
13th December 2016

HOUSE CROSS COUNTRY CARNIVAL
Level 3 to Level 6 students
NEW DATE: Thursday, 21st April

House Cross Country is back for another year so it is time to start training!! All parents are very welcome to come cheer on and support the students to make it a great carnival day – more details on time of events to follow early next term.

Mr. M Sacchetta - P.E. Co-ordinator

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Learn music here at school
Come and join in the fun of learning to play keyboard, guitar, here at Rangeview Primary School.

Creative Music for Schools conducts a music program here at school each week.

Small group classes or one-to-one lessons of up to 30 minutes give children an excellent grounding in music where they will learn to read music and play their chosen instrument.

Tuition costs from $16.00 per lesson and enrolments are now being accepted for limited places in term 2, 2016.

Interested parents should call Sue during office hours on 9818 2333

Creative Music
www.creative-music.com.au

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## Student of the Week - Assembly 2.50pm - Monday, 18th April

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<td>FB Ryan</td>
<td>For displaying great manners, and acting in a very respectful way in the classroom. You listen well, follow instructions accurately and you are an enthusiastic learner in the classroom. A fabulous effort, Ryan! You are a star! For being a very quiet, diligent student who listens well at all times. I am impressed with your efforts in class and your enthusiasm for learning new ideas. Well done, Ashton! You are fabulous!</td>
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<td>FH Yuri</td>
<td>For an outstanding improvement in her reading. Yuri is sounding out the words and she is enthusiastically discusses the book. Keep up the great work Yuri!</td>
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<td>FN Gene</td>
<td>For enlightening the class with your wonderful knowledge about Superheroes. Great work identifying the qualities which make the characters special. You are a Superhero Gene!</td>
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<td>1 DB Liliana</td>
<td>For your excellent writing. Your writing is always interesting to read, with lots of detail and beautifully presented. Keep up the great work, Liliana</td>
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<td>1 G Andre</td>
<td>For continually trying hard to sound out words in his writing and to add greater detail. Well done Andre.</td>
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<td>1 LB Luke</td>
<td>Congratulations on being the first person in our class to complete the Premiers Reading Challenge! All that holiday reading paid off. You have shown great dedication to the task. Well done!</td>
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<td>1 M Jason</td>
<td>For a great start to Term 2. Well done, Jason! Keep up the good work and lovely manners!</td>
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<td>2 K Matilda</td>
<td>For a great Easter Recount on book creator. Everyone in our class enjoyed watching and listening to you speak. Terrific effort.</td>
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<td>3/4A Amy Z</td>
<td>For your dedication to your learning and professionalism in completing all tasks to your highest personal standard. You have submitted work which shows that you can extend yourself by adding additional problems to solve or by showing extra examples of a concept learned. Your level of motivation will take you wherever you want to go in life. :)</td>
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**For interested families, especially for students currently in Level 5 & Level 6.**

Take the time to visit your local Secondary School for information regarding admission in 2017 & 2018.
RANGEVIEW P.S. WORKING BEE
SUNDAY, 1st May - Time 9.00am to 11.30am

Thank you to everyone who attended last term’s MINI Working Bee before the Fair! This term we would love to have some larger jobs completed and a thorough clean up in preparation of the cooler weather. We really rely on parent, community and even staff and Ringwood New Community Church come and help out… Even an hour of your valuable time would be greatly appreciated!

Please bring Rakes, Brooms, Shovels, Pruning gear & any other tools you may need. At the conclusion of the Bee a BBQ and drinks will be available. To assist with catering, please complete the below tear-off slip and return it to school by Monday, 18th April.

Hoping to see you there!

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Rangeview WORKING BEE

Students Name & Level: _________________________________
Parent/Guardian Name: _______________________________________
Number attending: ___________________________

Yes, we are able to attend this Working Bee and will stay for the BBQ.