From the Principal’s Desk

2015 Foundation Transition first session

Many pre-schoolers enrolled for 2015 attended the first transition session. This is a wonderful opportunity for our future students to become familiar with school. It was pleasing to have a number of the student leaders helping in the classes and showing new families to their classrooms. The next session is with our specialist program. A new parent sent this email to me after the first session:

To the staff of Rangeview...

Thank you for organising such a welcoming introduction to the school last week. My son felt very welcome (after the initial wave of nerves!) and was thrilled to have an older school boy sitting with him & talking with him about Lego. The presence of these buddies, in school uniform, really made the day in the eyes of my 4 year-old.

Thank you for providing a welcoming environment for the parents and younger children in the hall - it was lovely to have somewhere to congregate and mix with other new and experienced parents.

We look forward to the next session,

Kind Regards

Claire H

How to Use an iPad Session for Parents

Friday 5th September

Level 4 classes will be open to families to see how iPads are being used as a tool for learning. This open session which allows parents/carers to move between the 4 classes will be followed by a 30 minute question/answer session in the staffroom. Hope to see you there, please sign in at the office when you arrive.

‘Heroes’

One of our fathers at the school has been in the news for his heroic efforts to save a mother and child from the murky Yarra River. I have attached the link from the Sunrise program.


The world definitely needs more heroes.

Pupil Free Day with Lyn Watts - Creating an Inquiry Classroom

Last Tuesday, staff worked with Lyn Watts to develop an understanding of an inquiry classroom in line with AusVELS Science and History curriculum guidelines and the capabilities of a learner. Staff are planning for the remainder of 2014 and 2015. The scope and sequence will reflect the Science Primary Connections professional learning that was presented earlier in the year by Mrs Kate Morgan.

The detailed final panel review report presented to staff and school council includes:

- Context of the school with staffing, teaching and learning, parent involvement, strong community pride and development of school facilities
- The goals, key improvement strategies and targets for 2014-2017
- An evaluation of the performance of the school and the factors contributing to the success
- The four areas of focus – Student Achievement, Wellbeing and Engagement, and Productivity
- The panel’s recommendations for improvement is reflected in the goals, key improvement strategies for the Strategic Plan
- Registration requirements (VRQA) indicates that school meets minimum requirements of policies and procedures in all areas

Overall as stated in the report:

"The school acknowledged and panel members agreed that the school can be proud of its achievements during the review period, particularly in relation to the increasing proportions of high achievers. Whilst the achievement of targets varied, performance generally exceeded the State means and it was evident that there were high proportions of higher achievers and very low proportions of students underperforming."

The summary of this report will be made available on the school website shortly.

Rangeview meets the requirement for a peer review by exceeding threshold data. This data includes student learning, wellbeing and engagement.

The Age article on school reviews outlines the concerns for schools not meeting this threshold data and requiring a diagnostic review.

For more education stories visit facebook.com/theageeducation.

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Facilities
2B and 2H are in temporary accommodation for the remainder of the term. Letters have gone home to all the families of these classes. It is anticipated that the area will be made ready for the portable to be moved in the next few weeks.

Literacy & Numeracy Week by Marita Horvath - Literacy Coordinator

25th August to 29th August

Literacy & Numeracy Week is a time for students, teachers and parents to celebrate achievements in the important areas of Literacy and Numeracy.

The best learning takes place when everyone works together. Rangeview is very committed to the development of Literacy and Numeracy skills. A special thank-you to the mums and dads who help with reading and literacy groups in our school.

Remember to wear red (or touch of red, socks, ribbon etc.) on Wednesday August 27.

Cyber Safety - ThinkUknow upcoming session

Last week a flyer was sent home to all families regarding the upcoming ThinkUknow session. Parents, carers and teachers are encouraged to attend. To assist with seating, please RSVP by returning the tear-off on the bottom of that flyer or ring the school office on 9874 6381.

Mumps Outbreak

Please be advised that there has been two confirmed cases of students with the mumps at the school. Letters have been sent home to those students in levels concerned. Please contact your doctor or visit the Better Health Channel www.betterhealth.vic.gov.au for further information.

Mrs Liz Barr - Principal

Educational Technology at Rangeview Creating QR Codes

Level 4B have been busy writing stories using the online storybook creator, Storybird. After writing their imaginative stories and using the artwork from Storybird to illustrate their stories, they were ready to publish their work for others to read. However, the problem was, how do they get others to read their online storybooks? How do readers know where to find their books in the massive world of cyberspace?

The solution was to create a QR code for the URL of their online storybook. They then imported their QR code into PicCollage and created an advertisement using persuasive words and hyperbole to encourage readers to read their book by scanning the QR code.

To scan the QR codes you need a QR Reader on your smartphone, iPod or iPad or other tablet device.

MUSIC NEWS

Cinderella Performance
There is less than one week to go before we see the Opera Australia performance of Cinderella. It will take place next Monday morning, 1st September in the school hall. Please make sure you have paid the $7.00 per student or $14.00 (2 or more students) by Thursday 28th August.

Instrumental lessons
With the resource room being used as a classroom for the next few weeks we have had to move some of our instrumental teachers. Please remind your children taking lessons to be aware of the new room and the time of their lesson.

Mad On Music Lessons - Tuesdays
Guitar lessons with Lee Smith will be in the music office opposite the music classroom. Keyboard lessons with David Hendley will be in the conference room. Keyboard and guitar lessons with Ashley Smith will be in the old portable classroom next to the LOTE room.

Flute lessons with Sandy Lin on Friday will be in the old portable. Violin lessons with Trent Bunston will be in the old portable on Wednesday and the RCC room on Thursday.

All other lessons will be in the same location.

Art News

Exciting news in the Art room! We now have our very own Art blog. This includes information and photos of student art work and any special news. Visit: http://artrangeview.global2.vic.edu.au or access through the school website, tab ‘Specialists’ subtab ‘Visual Arts’.
Best Wishes & Happy Birthday to the following students!

August
27th Aug  Carter
28th Aug  Serena
29th Aug  Charley Heydon
30th Aug  Marisa Chelsea
31st Aug  Samuel Oscar Angus

September
1st Sept  Flynn Rhiannon Patrick

Rangeview Notices for 27th August
- Newsletter
- Receipts
- Cinderella payment reminder
- L5 & L6 City of Melbourne excursion notice
- Father’s Day notice
Please check this section weekly to see if your notices are coming home to your family.
Where possible, a generic notice (or blank permission slip for Excursions / Incursions) will be on the website (click on the date in the calendar) then again on the event, for you to download the relevant permission form.

The Heatherdale Community Action Group Inc.
Meeting Dates 2014, 7.30pm
Sept 10th/Oct 8th /Nov 12th /Dec 10th.
Held at Rangeview P.S. All Welcome!

Silent Auction Items Needed
Dear Rangeview families,
The Rangeview Community Committee is currently organizing a Silent Auction that will run on ‘Rangeview Party Night at the Manhattan’.
The date of this event is Saturday, 25th October.
We are looking for donations of items big and small from individuals and or businesses.
You may not have an item to donate but you may know a company willing to donate to the Auction.
Please contact Nicola Shaw by emailing nicola.shaw@live.com.au
with any contact details or information on items you can donate.
You can also hand in any items to the office and mark them for Rangeview Community Committee Silent Auction.
All money raised by the silent auction goes towards items such as school programs, books, playground improvements etc.
Regards - Your Rangeview Community Committee

PET ROSTER
Level Duty:
- For the week 25th Aug to 5th September - Level 6M is on duty.
- For the week 8th to 12th September Level 2B is on duty

Term 3 - Families on Duty:
- For the weekend 30th August the Hart Family are on duty.
- For the weekend 6th September the Roe Family are on duty.

Beth Joyce (3J)
Animal Welfare Co-ordinator

RCC Dates
- Wed 3rd Sept - Fathers Day Stall
- Level 3 - 6 Subway orders due back 9am
- Monday, 8th Sept - L 3-6 Subway lunch
- Friday, 13th Sept - Billy Cart/Footy Day-Hot lunch day
- Final cut-off for Entertainment Books is Thurs 28th August. They are valid until June 2015.

RANGEVIEW PARTY NIGHT at Manhattan Hotel
Saturday, 25th October - DJ, Dancing, Socializing, Silent Auction.....Tickets $20pp. Please return you booking form asap.
Please contact the school office on 9874 6381 to find out how to join the Rangeview Community Committee.
You may wish to help on a small project or something more involved. You’ll be made to feel very welcome :)
From the Library.....Science and Book Week celebrations

What a buzz of excitement in the hall when staff and students took part in the annual parade dressed as either a book character or a scientist! Well done to everyone for your efforts! It’s always so much fun to see what each person chooses to wear! The costumes were amazing and such a variety!!

The entertainment was provided this year by the Senior Choir, led by Mrs Van derToorren, presenting ‘The Three little Pigs’ rap and a book trailer featuring Level 2D students acting out the shortlisted book ‘The Treasure Box’, directed and filmed by Mrs Geilings. Well done to everyone for your efforts! It’s always so much fun to see what each person chooses to wear!

The excitement continued throughout the rest of the day with the students participating in three rotation activities. The activities were centred on either a book or a scientific investigation such as creating straw whistles, floating and sinking and making crafts based on short lists.

The Book Fair was also a very exciting time for all. Thank you to all who volunteered their time to help with the setting up, selling, packing up or supervising the knock-knock table - Jo Montgomery, Fiona Shade, Lynette Ellis, Elliott and Sabrina Dowell, Jenny Hanson, Grace Zhang, Lydia Eastwell, Alex Campbell, Allie Hobson and Karen Pedrotti, our Library Captains, Leo, Dheran and Ashleigh.

Approximately $6,300 worth of books etc. was sold, of which 35% was taken as commission in the form of books and cash. Any ordered books will be distributed as soon as they arrive.

Children’s Book Council of Australia Books of the Year winners
The children have had fun working out which book they thought deserved to win.
And the winners are…. 
Younger readers: ‘A Very Unusual Pursuit’ (Catherine Jinks)
Early Childhood: ‘The Swap’ (Jan Ormerod)
Picture Book: ‘Rules of Summer’ (Shaun Tan)
Information(Non-Fiction) Book: ‘Jeremy’ (Christopher Faille)

Happy reading….Mrs Robyn Blythe and Mrs Deirdree Geilings (Teacher Librarians)
Congratulations to all 47 students who completed the ICAS Science assessment this year. The following students received special awards:

**High Distinction**
Ernest C

**Distinction**

**Credit**
Sasha E, Nathan M, Oliver C, Arnav S, Jasmine T, Noah R, William T, Dhairya J

**Merit**
Ethan L, Naveen M, Emma S, Ayden J

These certificates will be presented at Assembly next Monday (September 1st).

Well done everyone!

Mrs Goulding - ICAS Co-ordinator

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Students at Rangeview are talking about everyone’s responsibility to stamp out bullying, including the most common and unnoticed form of bullying, repeated exclusion. Students are stepping up and making sure that, kind and inclusive play is happening in our playgrounds. To help celebrate this, the following August Bully Stoppers will be awarded at assembly on Monday 1st Sept in recognition of the specific efforts by these students in helping to ensure that others feel happy and safe in our school playground.

| TH | Thomas W. | For standing up for another child who had been kicked in the playground. You told the other person to stop and looked after your friend who was hurt. |
| 3G | Emily K. | For really watching out for and noticing when another child is on their own, always offering to include them in your play. You are helping to fill the bucket of others by being a truly inclusive friend. |
| 4B | Nathan M. | For being inclusive to other children who want to join in your ball games. Even when others have said no, you are confident enough to stand up for what is right and say that, actually, yes they can join in. |

Guide your children to follow these rules of netiquette:

**Double-check before you hit "send."** Could something you wrote be misinterpreted?

**Keep a secret.** Photos, texts, and videos can be posted, copied, forwarded, downloaded, even Photoshopped in the blink of an eye. If you think something might embarrass someone, get them in trouble, compromise their privacy, or stir up drama of any kind, keep it to yourself — and maybe delete it for good measure.

**Remember the Golden Rule.** Don’t say something online that you wouldn’t say to someone’s face. If you do have something negative to say, discussing it in person is a better way to resolve your issues.

It is great to see many children and families at Rangeview engaging in conversations around how to model kindness and show respect towards others. Our students can talk about kindness using the Bucket Filling model which visualises that all beings (including animals!) have an invisible bucket where their level of happiness is kept and measured. Children understand that, when you fill somebody else’s bucket through simple, kind acts, this leads to filling your own personal bucket.

Thanks Chad in Year 4, for preparing this summary (right).

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**FAQ**

What do our school values, Bucket Filling and anti-bullying campaigns have to do with being eSmart? People need to have a strong set of positive values which they live by in order to behave responsibly and respectfully online. Knowing what is right in the real world can then be transferred into and applied in the digital world.

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Last week, families received a blue flyer advertising our upcoming ThinkUKnow session on Tuesday 2nd September, at 6:00-7:30pm, to be held in our school hall. Additional copies can be obtained from the school office or check out page 5 of last week’s newsletter. To register your attendance, please complete and return the slip at the bottom to the school office by Fri Aug 29.
Hi everyone, it is Dheran your Rangeview band captain here. I would like to move your attention towards a very serious matter. It’s called MS (Multiple Sclerosis). This can cause some big impacts on people’s lives including physical disability. Luckily there is a way we can help. It’s called the MS Readathon. People can sponsor you for reading books and all money that you raise goes to MS Australia to find a cure and to help people who have MS. It can be any books that you read including Victorian Premiers Reading Challenge. Also, depending on how much money you raise, you can win prizes. So it’s a win-win situation!

Our family get a lot of support services through MS Australia. This is a good way to help other families who have someone with MS and to help find a cure for MS. So what are you waiting for? Please sponsor or Join our team Rangeview Readers - https://register.msreadathon.org.au/MS-Readathon/

Thanks, Dheran 6N

GARAGE SALE/MARKET
Manhattan Hotel Carpark
This Sunday 31st August, 2014
8am – 1pm
Craft, Candles, Pet goods & much more!
4 sites still available to stall holders $30 per space
Stall Hire Fees plus a BBQ, trash and treasure stall and a Raffle will be conducted to raise money for the Ride to Conquer Cancer.
All enquiries to Scott Howell
scott.howell@bigpond.com

LITTLE ATHLETICS NUNAWADING
FAMILY FUN OPEN DAY
Sunday 14th September – 10am to 2pm

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