**From the Principal’s Desk**

**Pirates of the Curry Bean**

“*REDBEARD*: So, my new recruits. You’ve chosen the pirates life. It’s glorious!

**ALL**: Hooray!

**REDBEARD**: Dangerous!

**ALL**: Oohh!

**REDBEARD**: Exciting!

**ALL**: Ahhhh!

**REDBEARD**: And most importantly, we do it all with style!

It was a stunning 2 nights of production as there is nothing like a rip roaring pirate tale to engage students and the audience. The catchy songs, dance routines and slapstick humour all came together with outstanding performances by talented students.

We did it a little differently this year by running a different main cast for each evening, and our Foundation students had a cameo role with one song. In addition, some students had the opportunity to be back stage crew.

On behalf of everyone involved I would like to acknowledge the hard work, perseverance and teamwork shown. For some students this may have been their only opportunity for such a performance experience and for others it may herald the start of an exciting career!

Regardless - all have gained from the experience.

Nothing like this just happens. This event is the result of the hard work and vision by a group of dedicated staff, parents and friends of the Rangeview community. The jobs were varied and ranged from lighting and sound, scenery and props, costumes, hair and makeup, back stage and front of house, photos, ticketing and so on. All coming together to make this event possible.

The Production team was made up of teaching and non-teaching staff, an additional Consultant and parents and friends – I acknowledge their efforts on the two nights and in the months leading up to the production.

Flowers were presented to Karman Melitsis, Deirdree Geilings, Ryan Evans, Faye Natoli, Cath Shalders, Sabreena Dowell and Lynette Ellis. Gifts were presented to Ian Bunston, Shirley Van Der Tooren and the remaining 5/6 team: Marianne Kehoe, Carol Wilson, Anju Mehta, Kate Morgan, the Foundation team: Rebecca Gordon, Melissa Dann, Natasha Hale, Gillian Stevenson, Julie Buisman, Meg Hubbard and the sound and lighting crew: Mark Grummisch, Scott Carse, Jason Sherwood, Peter Lyons and 2 ex-student helpers: Henry Wan and Jack Sherwood. **PLEASE NOTE: EXTRA PROGRAMS ARE AVAILABLE AT THE OFFICE for $10**

**Sporting Finals**

A number of sporting finals will be played this week. The tee ball finals for girls and boys took place on Monday and they are now through to the State Finals! Congratulations and thank you to Mr Ryan Evans for coaching them!

The District Athletics event is this Wednesday with over 80 students representing Rangeview. Our P.E. teacher, Mr Michael Sacchetta has coached students in the events and has led the organisation of staff to help on the day.

We finish the week with the senior boys’ netball team to play the State finals on Friday with Ms Faye Natoli and Mrs Sue Hargrave coaching on the day.

I acknowledge the support from staff to ensure that Rangeview students are well prepared for the various sporting competitions. Good luck to all the students competing this week, it is a valuable learning experience for all involved and they should be very proud of their achievement.

**Staffing**

I will be on long service leave for the last 2 weeks of this term, travelling to Japan. Ian Bunston will be acting Principal and Marita Hovarth will be acting Assistant Principal. The school will be in very capable hands while I am on leave.
**Principal’s Report Continued**

**Facilities Update**
John Tobin from Facilities Infrastructure DET met with us to look at the proposed drainage works for the school. The extensive capital works, addressing the long term problems with managing water flow across the school, will be occurring over the upcoming 2 week holiday break to minimise disruption to school operations. The works include redeveloping the land below the oval, which unfortunately, will impact on our extensive orchard area. A plan will be formulated to relocate fruit trees and establish garden beds in alternative spaces at the school. The tenders for these capital works will be managed by DTZ.

**Professional Learning**
The focus in term 3 has been Writing, led by Marita Horvath, and the coaching of teachers and students with iPads and integrating technology into the classrooms. Nicole Barnes, Rebecca Gordon and Ian Bunston have led this coaching across the school.
In 2016 the optional BYO iPad program will extend to level 3 and therefore all levels will be accessing the program. The foundation students will continue to join the program mid year, allowing the first 6 months to settle into school and learn expectations of this technology, with school owned devices. Letters will be going home to families with children in level 3 in 2016 inviting them to attend information sessions on this final stage.

**eSmart School**
I wish to acknowledge the work by Ms Alex Box as we have achieved eSmart school status and we are in the ‘sustaining stage’. Alex met with Michelle Webster the representative from eSmart School Program who asked about different aspects of our school operation. The following was shared:
- Data collected in previous years (use of digital technology, feelings at school)
- Kidproof and other curriculum (poster / video competitions, Start Up, teaching through the iPad mentoring program this year, plans to include a message in the Rangeview News each week)
- Other resources: The Rangeview eSmart Project blog, eSmart (Wellbeing) handbook, Nicole Barnes’ packs for year levels, Nicole Barnes’ Rangetech blog
- Parent information evenings
- Staff PD
- Buddies Program, Bucket Filling

We continue to strive to heighten the awareness of cybersafety for our students. Our Student Voice leaders, Ruby and Ryan will include cybersafety awareness in the weekly Rangeview news and the upcoming National eSmart Week.

**Billy Cart Day**
The last day of term 3, Friday 18th September is the date of the annual Billy Cart Day. This fun and highly anticipated event has a long history at the school and is combined with Footy Day. Safety precautions include billy cart safety checks, driver and runner protective clothing and track-side barriers. More information is on page 3 of this newsletter.

**Primary School Wear (PSW Croydon)**
We have just been advised of an increase in prices for uniform items sold through PSW. The increase will take effect from the 2nd November 2015. The new price list is on page 4 of this newsletter.

**Rangeview is a SunSmart School**
In line with the Rangeview Primary School SunSmart Policy, all students will be expected to wear hats commencing Monday, 31st August. Traditionally, the period for hats to be worn was during terms 1 and 4. The SunSmart organisation has advised the period from early September to the end of April is the time of year when the UV rays are the strongest and most dangerous. If you have any queries regarding Rangeview’s SunSmart Policy, please contact Mr Ian Bunston, Assistant Principal.

**Levies 2015**
Thank you to those families who have paid their 2015 levies. If you have balances owing for the 2015 school year your payment to the General Office by Thursday, 17th September 2015 would be appreciated. Due to end of term constraints please note that the office will not be accepting payments on the last day of term, the 18th September 2015.

**From the office…**

**Excursions/Activities**
Please do not forward excursion permission forms without enclosed payment (unless paid at the start of term on the Term Activity Planner). Any excursion/Incursion forms received that require payment will remain at the office until payment is received. They will be forwarded to the teacher stamped ‘PAID’ only upon receipt of payment.

**Literacy and Numeracy Week - 31 August – 6 September**

This week we celebrate National Literacy and Numeracy Week. It is a time to celebrate the importance of Literacy and Numeracy, the foundations of learning. Students, teachers and parents at Rangeview should feel proud of the hard work they do related to Literacy and Numeracy.

At Rangeview, parents and care givers assist our students regularly at school and at home to help students with their literacy and numeracy skills. Your assistance is greatly appreciated by the students and teachers. Thank-you.

**BE BRIGHT AND WRITE - Thursday September 3**

To celebrate Literacy and Numeracy Week we are encouraging students to wear something BRIGHT on this day. This could be as simple as bright socks, bright ribbons or a bright top with your school uniform. This day is not a free dress day.

**BE BRIGHT AND WRITE on THURSDAY SEPTEMBER 3**

Marita Horvath- English Co-ordinator
A Rangeview tradition is the Annual Billy Cart and Footy Day in September. Students from Foundation to Level 6 can bring a billy-cart to school and join in a time of participation and fun! Two billy-carts at a time will race around a marked course. ‘Escort’ marshals will provide assistance to the younger students.

Now is the time for you to get those billy-carts ready to race on Friday, 18th September. This year we will also have an entry from the L5 & L6 Lunchtime Science Club. They are designing and making a billycart to race on the day as well. We wish them luck!!

Make sure you practise driving with your partner so that you are both familiar with your vehicle.

Students who wish to race their billy-carts will need to register their details with their classroom teacher on Tuesday, 15th September.

You need to register the driver, the runner (pusher) and the name of your vehicle. THE DRIVER AND RUNNER must both be from the same level. You will race against another team from the same level. All participants MUST wear helmets and other appropriate safety gear. On the day, all billy-carts will be stored in a marked area between 8.30 and 8.55am. SAFETY is of the utmost importance!

SINGING OF AFL FOOTY SONGS – 10.45am

- Students will be able to wear their footy colours on the day
- If it is raining on the day, the billy-cart races will be cancelled
- The RCC will provide a hot food lunch to pre-purchase

Come on everyone - dust off those billy-carts and practise for the BIG DAY! - Spectators welcome!

Any parents who have a go-kart or racing car in the garage or back shed, could you please contact me at school on 98746381.

Mr Bunston - Assistant Principal - on behalf of the Billy Cart & Footy Day Committee
International Competitions & Assessments for Schools (ICAS) Spelling – 2015

Congratulations to all students who completed the ICAS Spelling assessment this year.
The following students received special awards:

**Distinction**
- Sam W
- Ruby F
- Jasmine K
- Summer W

**Credit**
- Jake C
- Olivia G
- Katie H
- Amy M
- Abby-Rose SW
- Eva L
- Blake M
- Neve S
- Tom W
- Michelle Z
- Lajeen B
- Ernest C
- Aaron M
- Nathan M
- Isabella B
- Ryan C
- Bianca J
- Lucy R
- Inez S

**Merit**
- Lexie B
- Wanhan H
- Jessica S
- Kailan SF
- Bradley W
- Sean R

These certificates will be presented at assembly on Monday September 14.
Well done everyone!
Mrs Goulding - ICAS Co-ordinator
MUSIC NEWS
We have quite a few musical events happening over the next few weeks so please mark them on your calendar.

Mad On Music Concert
All keyboard and guitar students will be performing in the Mad On Music concert on Tuesday, 8th September in the School Hall. This is an annual event and a terrific concert to attend. Please come along and support the students.

Piano Concert - There will be a concert for all our piano students on Friday, 11th September. Cathy and Sarah Cossey have been working hard to prepare all of their students. The concert will be held in the music room after school at 5pm.

Junior Choir performance.
Our Junior Choir will be performing at the Book Week assembly next week on Monday, 7th September. They are very excited about this performance.

From the Library...

• **Book Parade and Book Week celebration day - Monday, 7th September**

****Children and Teachers are invited to dress up as a book character - homemade costumes are perfectly acceptable!!*****

The excitement is building as it draws near to our annual Book Parade. Students have been talking about it for some time now, eagerly waiting for the day to arrive!!

The day will run as follows:
9:15am until morning recess
There will be a whole school parade in the Hall. Students will sit in classes just as they do at assembly.
Mrs Geilings will be the M.C. for the parade and the extra performances. We have some special treats in-store for this year’s parade!!

The Book Parade is all about having fun and seeing the huge variety of interpretations of book characters by students and teachers alike!! We encourage students to carry the book on which their costume interpretation is based. One student from each level will be selected to receive a reward for their creative outfit!

Parents are more than welcome to come and join in the fun of the Parade!!

11.30am – 1pm: normal school program will run!
2pm – 3.15pm: Book based activities with class buddies. Class teachers will organise an activity for the buddies to work on.
3.15pm- 3.30pm back to own classroom and for dismissal after a fun day!
There will be no assembly on this day.

• **Library blog**

The Library blog is open to everyone who would like to read it and/or leave a comment, if desired. Look out for the photos of the Book Parade in the near future!

http://libraryatrangeview.global2.vic.edu.au/

• **Book Fair**

As mentioned previously, the Book Fair was a very successful event. All orders should have been now finalised and books received.
Just over $7,000 worth of books were sold and the school received a commission, taken as books, as a result. These are in the process of being catalogued and covered and should be available for students to borrow shortly! Thank you again to all the parents and students who helped with every aspect of running the Fair! It is only such a success with your help!

Happy reading!

Mrs Deirdree Geilings and Mrs Robyn Blythe
Teacher Librarians

Theme for 2015 Book Week – ‘Books light up our world’
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.

13th October 2015
8th December 2015
Hope to see you there!

Best Wishes & Happy Birthday to the following students!

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PET ROSTER

Levels on Duty
* For the week 7th to 11th September Level 2B (Ms Brown) is on duty.
* For the week 14th to 18th Sept Level FH (Mrs Gordon) is on duty.

Families on Duty
* For the weekend 5th September Family Roe is on duty.
* For the weekend 12th Sept Family Elliott/Taylor is on duty.

Next week we’ll include the Roster for the upcoming school holidays.

Beth Joyce (3J)
Animal Welfare Coordinator

Rangeview Rangers Netball Club
Rangeview Rangers Netball Club are looking for anyone who is interested in playing netball on Saturdays for 13under Teams that play at 11.20am and 15unders Team that play at 1pm.

If you are interested and would like to come and have a look please or would like more information please send email to rrnc@live.com or contact Al on 0488 700 742.

Mitcham Community House
Go to their website: mitchamcommunityhouse.org for a listing of their many & varied classes from: Christmas cake decoration, cheesemaking, yoga, iPad & iPhone fundamentals, EAL Conversation hour and many more.

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SCIENCE EVENT IN SCHOOL HOLIDAYS!!
PrimeSCI! have released the timetable for their September School Holiday Science Workshops, full of fun hands-on science workshops for children from Kindergarten to Year 8. The workshops will be running from Monday 21st - Friday 25th September. As well as experienced PrimeSCI! team, this holidays they will be joined by Foost and Reptile Encounters.

Bookings are open at http://www.trybooking.com/IVFQ. Each session has its own unique booking code (eg. BF2, SOE3).

The PrimeSCI! September School Holiday Science Workshops will be held at:
KIOSC Discovery Centre (Building WK)
Swinburne University of Technology (Wantirna Campus)
369 Stud Road
Wantirna South VIC 3152

If you have any questions please contact the PrimeSCI! office on 9905 1370 or primesci@monash.edu
http://www.monash.edu/science/schools/earth-atmosphere-environment/primesci

Come buy a treat and support fundraising for our school team.

Gymnastics Team Pop Up Shop
Friday 4 September - 3.30pm
At the Prep Grass Area or in the Gallery if it is raining.

Our team will be participating at the Interschool Gymnastics Competition, 2015 on Wednesday, 16 September in Box Hill.
All fundraising will support training sessions with Nunawading Gymnastics Club for our team to better their skills for the competition. Thank you to all families supporting our team.

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1st Vermont Scout Group
Educating our youth in leadership & the outdoors for over 97 years.

Our Joey Scout Mob has been active in the community for 24 years. We currently have vacancies for boys and girls aged 5-6 (attending school).

In Joey Scouts your child will learn about helping other people, the environment and building leadership skills, all while having fun. You are invited to come along to a weekly meeting.

Venue: 1st Vermont Scout Hall 483-485 Canterbury Rd, Vermont
Date: any Wednesday Time: 6pm – 7pm
Parents to stay and enjoy a cup of tea or coffee while their children enjoy a night of scouting games.

RSVP or Inquirers to Helen Webster 9884 8079 (please leave message)