Reminder: Please complete & return Parent Opinion Survey

100 Days in Foundation
Well done to all the Foundation students who have completed 100 days at school. 100 days is a significant milestone for our youngest members of school and this was marked with celebrations in all the foundation classrooms. 100 days of learning, playing, doing, experimenting, making friends, singing, working and so much more! Over the page you’ll find some photos and samples of ‘what makes school special to me’ written by some of our foundation students.

Moderation of Writing Samples on Display
In the main corridor, near the administration office, there are student writing examples that have been moderated by teachers. This means that these examples have been assessed in-line with AusVELS criteria and given a progression point indicating below level, at level or above level, depending on the age of the student. You, as parents see this as the progression dot and dotted line to indicate your child's progress and the overall assessment, in a letter form such as C in the reports at mid-year and end of year. An assessment of writing is never just on one piece of writing but a judgement of development of writing and strategies and skills in the craft of writing, shown by the writer over the school year. These skills include sentence fluency, voice, conventions, organisation, ideas and word choice. Students are using writer’s notebooks to formulate ideas for writing in the writing workshop.

Trivia Night- Huge Success
Thanks to all involved for a highly positive social event. Many families contributed to the success of the night, before, during and after the event. Special mention to Alex Campbell, Nicola Shaw, Nichole Murray, Christine Devonshire and Sabreena Dowell for their leadership and support of the occasion and I acknowledge their hard work that contributed to such a popular evening. Thanks are also extended to parent, James Hill for setting up a Photo Booth. All photos taken in the booth can be accessed through: http://goo.gl/wdBoEL. A few are on the last page of this newsletter.

Assemblies
Monday assemblies continue to showcase student achievement and opportunities. Rangeview News is one such way, as it promotes the events and messages in a highly engaging way.

Student leaders work in teams with the Assistant Principal, Mr Ian Bunston. They film and edit using a school iPad. What is evident is the improved quality of filming and interviewing students, staff and parents. The school band have performed the National Anthem at our assemblies. This group of students, led by Mrs Karman Melitsis has grown in membership over the last few years. Many talented students are learning a wide range of instruments and regularly attend practice before and after school. I applaud the learning and strategies and skills in the craft of writing, shown by the writer over the school year. These skills include sentence fluency, voice, conventions, organisation, ideas and word choice. Students are using writer’s notebooks to formulate ideas for writing in the writing workshop.

Level 5 & 6 Pirates of the Curry Bean Production
Excitement is mounting in the senior school with their Production coming up on Tuesday, 25th and Wednesday, 26th August. For the first time our Foundation students are joining their buddies on the stage for a small part of the show. We are using an on-line ticketing site ‘trybooking’ and tickets are selling quickly.
Principal’s Report Continued

Level 4 Camp
Preparations for the Level 4 camp to Weekaway are well in hand. Staff attending the camp will be: Caroline St Ruth, Nicole Barnes, Karen Hastie, Alex Box, Moira Mugnier, Ryan Evans, Michael Sacchetta, Kirilee Bell and Ian Bunston. All our Level 4 students are looking forward to the experience and adventure of their first school camp.

Working Bee
Just a reminder for the Working Bee coming up on Sunday, 16th August. See below for full details. We would really welcome any/all help given and it’s a great way to meet other members of the school community.

Whitehorse City Council Parent Information Forum - Building Resilience in Adolescents
The City of Whitehorse is hosting a very relevant forum in which clinical psychologist Andrew Fuller will explore how parents can assist their children and adolescents to build resilience. He is a Fellow of the Department of Psychiatry and the Department of Learning and Educational Development at the University of Melbourne as well as the author of Tricky Kids, Tricky Teens, Raising Real People and the newly published Unlocking your Child’s Genius.

A flyer with more information about the evening on Tuesday, 1st September (7.30pm-9.30pm) is on the last page of this newsletter. Please book tickets online (cost $10 per person) through: www.whitehorse.vic.gov.au/Parent-Information-Forums.html

Unfortunately, children are unable to attend.

Transition 2016 Sessions
Planning is well underway for Foundation in 2016. Even if you have a child already attending Rangeview and a sibling is due to start Foundation next year, we request that you submit their enrolment form by the end of this week, thank you.

Mrs Liz Barr - Principal

’what makes school special to me’
written by foundation students. In celebration of 100 days of school.

- On Friday we had 100 days at school and I had fun at the party. I liked my biscuits very much - FH
- I like sport because it is fun. I like it because it is fun - Teagan
- I like wet day timetable - FD
- At school I like maths because I can learn maths - Sam
- 100 days of school will be fun - Taylah
- Playing loom bands - Amelie
- Mrs Hale reading a story while we eat lunch - Charlotte
- When mum comes to do reading - Evan
- Walking by myself - Sisley
- Doing reading eggs on the computer - Jordan
- Playing with my friends from Kinder - James
- Using my iPad - Joel
- I have been at school for 100 days. I can’t believe it. 100 is my favourite number - FB
- At school I like doing play based learning and going outside - Ben

Rangeview Winter Working Bee
Sunday, 16th August - Time: 9am to 11am

Please join us for the winter Working Bee! Please don your gardening gloves, bring clippers and brooms and come along to the winter clean up.

The main focus will be working on the gardens and other problem areas.

What to bring: Rakes, Brooms, Shovels, Pruning gear & any other tools you may need

At the conclusion of the Bee a light BBQ and drinks will be available. To assist with catering, please complete the below tear-off slip and return it to school by Monday, 10th August.

Hoping to see you there!

Rangeview Working Bee

Students Name & Level: ____________________________
Parent/Guardian Name: _____________________________________
Number attending: _____________

Yes, we are able to attend this Working Bee & will stay for the BBQ
Term Activities Planner

At the start of Term 3 we sent home the Term Activities Planner (copy on home page of the website). This form lists all Incursions/Excursions that your child/children will be attending during Term 3, 2015. As these Incursions/Excursions have already begun (or are starting shortly) your immediate payment would be appreciated.

Next week you will receive your Family Statement. If you have a valid Health Care Card and have applied for the CSEF (Camps, Sports & Excursions Fund) through the school, you may see a credit amount of $125 per child on this Statement. Please write on the bottom of the statement to which activity and amount you want it applied to.

The statement will also detail all payments still outstanding from previous terms. They are now overdue and payment without delay would be appreciated. If payment is not possible, please ring the office on 9874 6381 and speak to the Business Manager, Mrs Leanne Theisinger to make alternative arrangements.

Family Updates

Please advise the office about ANY changes to address, phone numbers, custody arrangements, family circumstances, medical conditions etc., by confidential email: rangeview.ps@edumail.vic.gov.au, or in writing, and send it to the school office. It is imperative that the office has correct details and current information on the school files. All information is kept in strict confidence.

School notices/forms

The Rangeview website is an informative place to visit. All notices and generic Excursion forms are saved in the Calendar on the HOME page. If you mislay a notice, please print off a copy from there. It has just been updated and includes Level Newsletters, notices, calendar dates etc.
It is always an exciting time during a Book Fair. All the lovely new books to browse through, new titles as well as some old favourites! The range of picture story books is amazing and suited to toddlers as well as beginning readers. There are always plenty of choices for our older readers, so any – except Rangeview students are most welcome! (We’d love to see you!).

Scholastic Book Fairs also sell lots of little knick-knacks such as rubbers, fancy pencils, pointers, posters and decorated pens. Some parents prefer their children to only buy books and others don’t mind if their child buys these knick-knacks. To help us during the Fair, we would appreciate it if you would let your child know exactly what they can buy i.e. only books or books and knick-knacks.

An information brochure will be, or has already, been sent home with the children. It provides a snapshot of the books available as well as payment options. Books can be re-ordered if the stock runs out. All we ask is that you pay when you order and the books will be distributed to you when they arrive from the warehouse – about a week or two after the sale. You can also pay for the books online. Then simply cut out and return a completed ‘Book Fair Pre-Payment Option’ form from the brochure and we’ll get the books to you. We are very happy to keep books ordered for Christmas/birthday presents aside for you to collect at a later date!!!

Any money brought to school by your child should be in an envelope/purse with their name and grade clearly written on it. Children who have Library classes during the Book Fair will be able to buy books during their Library time.

We would also love to have parents help during the after school time slots. If you are available, please fill in the form below and return it to us ASAP. Thank you in anticipation!

Happy reading, Mrs Robyn Blythe & Mrs Deirdree Geilings
Teacher Librarians

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Scholastic Book Fair Helpers

Helper’s Name: ........................................................................................................Phone: ..................................................

Child’s name and level: .................................................................................................

I can help on the following days after school from 3.30pm – 4.15pm:

Thursday 13th: ..........................................................          Friday 14th ..........................................................
17th (closed Monday afternoon)          Tuesday 18th ..........................................................
With pack up Tuesday 18th 4.14pm – 6pm .................................................................

Base Costumes
All Level 5/6 and Foundation students are to bring their base costumes by this Friday, at the latest. For Foundation students, this is a long black sleeve top and black pants. For Level 5/6 students, please refer to the costume requirement notice handed out last week. Don’t forget to label all your items and place it in a named plastic bag.
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.

11th August 2015
13th October 2015
8th December 2015

Hope to see you there!

Best Wishes & Happy Birthday to the following students!

August
5th Aug  Rose
6th Aug  Beau
7th Aug  James
8th Aug  Poppy
9th Aug  Tom
10th Aug  Kailan
11th Aug  Laura

9th Aug  Tom
10th Aug  Kailan
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10th Aug  Kailan
11th Aug  Laura

What the Parents Thought
All the parent’s comments from their evaluation forms are detailed – as is – below:

What did you like best about the workshops?

✓ Highly informative!
✓ Easy to understand. Pointed out the main things in a straightforward manner
✓ The gaming chat rooms and bullying
✓ Very well structured. Clear presentation in a relaxed yet very professional manner
✓ Hints to open up communication with children. Hint to monitor internet/social media access
✓ Great strategies
✓ Examples of web sites, real life examples & stories
✓ Info on predators & bullies
✓ It’s given me an awareness of how important monitoring is
✓ Making me more aware of what is out there to be aware of as a parent
✓ I learnt a lot more about access and privacy that I didn’t know and so much more
✓ All information was relevant and delivered in a clear and interesting way
✓ Encouraging, with the right help and info we may be ok
✓ So practical!
✓ Presentation by Catherine. Very thorough and detailed, really opened up a whole new world
✓ Informative. Aligned to what kids are learning at school
✓ ICE, flaming messages, ACT, the real life stories of families experiences
✓ Content was amazing – very useful and informative
✓ Introduction to what to look forward to
✓ The concept of focusing on parenting, not technology

Catherine from Kidproof Safety has done an incredible job of collating feedback from students, parents and staff about the cyber-safety sessions delivered in Term 2. Here is some feedback from parents about the parent education evening...

PET ROSTER
Levels on Duty
For the week 27th July to 7th Aug Level 4H (Mrs Hastie) is on duty.
For the week 10th to 21st August Level 6K (Ms Kehoe) is on duty.

Families on Duty
For the weekend 8th August-Family Shepherd is on duty.
For the weekend 15th August Family McCrohan/Hagihara is on duty.

Beth Joyce (3J)
Animal Welfare Coordinator

Congratulations to the 7 students from Rangeview P.S. who attended a Primary Zonal Chess Victoria tournament at Great Ryrie P.S. last Thursday. They did very well again and, the main thing, had lots of fun – they got 3rd school place overall. Sean R got equal bronze in the grade3-4 level and another 3 students qualified to go through to Chess Victoria’s school semi-finals in term 4. Well done - Ethan L, Josh D and Jaz F.! Thanks go to Kiri Roe (parent) who organised the students to attend.
Rangeview Trivia Night

Saturday night was the country and western themed trivia night, we had an amazing turn out, with so many people getting into the theme. The Quiz King was a great success as he ran the night so well.

We had $5 and $10 lucky balloons, best dressed table, best dressed person, silent auction and of course the raffle...

First prize went to Andrew Watts
Second prize to Eric Lau and
Third prize to Suzie Bryant

I am pleased to be a part of a small team, thank you Nicola Shaw, Nichole Murray and Alex Campbell, for letting me help out for my first trivia night.

A huge thank you to the people who helped us set up and clean up, without your help we’d still be mopping the floor! Very special thanks to Sabreena Dowell for her guidance, to Christian Roche for printing the raffle tickets, James Hill for the amazing photos at the photo booth and Genevieve Frostick for the kids canvas’.

Huge thanks to the following for all their efforts in the lead up to the night, set-up etc.:
Julie Slater, Elliott Dowell, Jai Dowell, Andrea Boully, Maddison Powell, Rebecca Mitchell, Fiona & Russell Healy, Ben Slater, Ryan Campbell, Jake Campbell, Hamish Campbell, Grant Devonshire, Cartia Devonshire, Teagan Devonshire, and Lynette Ellis.

In next weeks newsletter you will find a full list of individuals and companies that donated their products/services to help make this night such a success.

See you all next time partners, Yee ha!!