Lost Property Skit at Assembly
At last week’s Monday assembly a group of students rehearsed an entertaining skit about the saga of lost property. Noah Z and James D role in the skit played a cricket game during lunch, the bell sounding and walking away without collecting discarded clothing. They replayed the actions but this time they were encouraged to do the right thing and remember their hat and jumper. Three girls in year 6 give up some of their time each week to return clothing to the rightful owners – a job made easier if it is clearly named, hence the large BIANCA 6R (see photo below). They have a goal to reduce the lost items and clothing with no names. So we ask all students with their families help to clearly name your clothing and pick up those discarded hats and jumpers at the end of play sessions.

Thanks to Holly L, Noah Z, James D, Emily B, Carly, Emily Z, Anita Z for such a creative presentation and clear message about taking responsibility for your own items.

School Fair Organising Team – Expressions of Interest
We are on the search for a team to lead the School Fair in March, 2014.

If you have an interest in being part of an exciting team please let the RCC (Rangeview Community Committee) know or leave your name at the school office. There is a tear off section on page 4 of this newsletter to complete and return.

Congratulations to the girls cricket team that will be heading off to the State Finals on Friday, 6th December. We wish them all the very best!

Foundation 2014 Information Evening
There has been a great response to this Foundation 2014 Information Evening on Thursday, 28th November. A letter went home last week (copy in Calendar section of website for 28/11/13) to all current Year 3 students.

Our curriculum – how do iPads support our teaching and learning
Rangeview PS is very proud of the rich curriculum and the vibrant learning community that is a feature of our school. We have invested in building strong relationships and developing a curriculum that prepares students to flourish in the 21st Century. Not only has the focus been on developing the necessary ways of thinking, such as critical thinking, problem-solving, decision-making and creativity, but also the ways of working including the skills of communication and collaboration.

Through the ‘Start Up’ program at the beginning of each year we have focused on building a community of learners where children feel safe and they belong. With a strong level of trust evident, our students feel comfortable working collaboratively and taking risks with their learning.

Our inquiry learning over the next few years will be in line with the National Curriculum and units of study be refined and reflect the progressive educational direction of the school. Our children are well placed to ask questions, problem solve and take responsibility for their learning, making choice of the tools they use.

There has been a growing frustration amongst students and teachers that the lack of ready access to information and also tools that would help students show their thinking and learning. The need to improve this situation was the impetus behind the increased ICT equipment (upgrades of leased desk tops in the computer lab and in the classrooms and purchased laptops and trolleys) over the last 3 years and the more recent exploration of iPads as a mobile learning device.

The journey to the proposed implementation of a 1:1 iPad program has been strategic. Two staff members successfully applied for Teacher Professional Leave (TPL) in 2013 following the school trial with iPads essentially in the Foundation to Grade 2. The teachers’ study was specifically ‘Tablet Technology in the Early Years Classroom’. This study leave formed professional learning based on research including visits to other schools and discussions with experts, building teacher capacity through in- school and external professional development, undertaking a trial of 5 iPads at all times in the 2 Foundation classrooms and seeking teacher and student feedback.

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The process has been directed by a very active ICT committee with representation from every level and specialist teachers, the Principal, the Assistant Principal and our ICT teachers. Preparation for the 1:1 program includes preparing protocols, user agreements, student iPad licences, cyber safety programs and security measures. This work is vital for the success of the 1:1 implementation. The model of implementation varies—some schools we researched or visited had made the decision to focus on a particular level or levels of the school or whole school, we have decided to follow the model of implementation that suits our school and the preparations made for the educational change. All staff participate in ongoing professional development including regular sharing at level and whole staff meetings. The ICT teacher mentor at each level provide valuable support and planning advice to other teachers in that level.

The purchase of iPads has been gradual over a 2 year period. The first step was the purchase of iPads from the ‘Coffee at Eastland’ $5000 win in 2012, followed closely by the 10 iPads won by one of our students in a Commonwealth Bank competition. The school has purchased further iPads to ensure that there is one in every classroom, from Foundation to Year 6. There is a set of 20 that are shared between the early years classrooms and another set of 10 in the specialist area. Staff feedback regarding the use of iPads as a learning tool was very positive with teachers indicating high levels of student engagement.

Teachers were keen to move forward but need increased access to the iPads. Therefore, our next step was to give teachers the opportunity to gain confidence and a greater understanding of the potential of the iPad for learning by reallocation some iPads from the class set and buying additional iPads to provide all classroom teachers with their own device. Teachers have been encouraged to personalise their device and use it to gain confidence in ways to use it as a teaching and learning tool. The success of the iPad implementation relies on staff confidence and knowledge of this learning tool.

We all agree that the tablet is a cost effective tool, however access to only 5 or 6 iPads once a twice a week for a session is frustrating and limiting. This learning device does not suit being shared and thus ICT is not being integrated, but as a stand-alone lesson.

Therefore, the Bring Your Own Device (BYOD) concept has been explored as an option for Rangeview. A presentation to School Council was made by staff involved in the iPad trial seeking feedback about possible parent concerns with the concept of BYOD. It has been a valuable period of discussion with the School Council.

During this two year period there has been and will continue to be communication with parents via newsletters, the school website and information evenings. Examples of student work on the school owned iPads were featured at Open Night, expo days and our weekly school information evenings. Teachers were keen to move forward but need increased access to the iPads. Therefore, our next step was to give teachers the opportunity to gain confidence and a greater understanding of the potential of the iPad for learning by reallocation some iPads from the class set and buying additional iPads to provide all classroom teachers with their own device.

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The research papers referred to in support of this technology include:

Horizon 2913 K-12 Report:

NSW Government Education and Communities- Bring Your Own Devices (BYOD) in Schools:

Mathletics News

4C have challenged themselves to be in the top 10 in the world in Mathletics.

4C have been using Mathletics for homework tasks to further their maths understanding and practice. It is an excellent companion to reinforce what happens at school. Last week, the students challenged themselves to make the top 10 in Australia for Mathletics. As the website reads, there are over 3.5 million students registered for Mathletics and over 10,000 schools registered worldwide.

For our class make it to 8th in the world (forget Australia!) was an exceptional effort and special mention has to be given to a number of students for their individual efforts. Both Pat O’C and Josh B spent time at #1 in the world - yes, #1 in the world! Other notable efforts include: Oliver C (13th), Ethan B (23rd), Mitch B (63rd), Aidan M (79th), Cam W (68th), Luke B (93rd), Nikita H (86th). Special mention to Claire T, Jessica H and Edwin J who also made the list but I didn’t manage to snapshot their world placings in time! Let’s make a Rangeview class the #1 Mathletics class in the world. We want to get there. Who else is up for the challenge? A very proud Mr Coppi in 4C. (see below tables)

Working Bee

Please join us for the final Working Bee for the year to be held on Sunday, 1st December from 9-11am. Please RSVP on 9874 6381.

Dates for Term 1, 2014

* Tue 28th and Wed 29th Jan (2 pupil free days/teachers start).
* Thurs 30th January (Years 1-6 start). Foundation parents interviews with Foundation teachers.
* Fri 31st January - 9.00am - 12.30pm (Foundation students start).
* Note: Foundation/Prep Students do not attend school the first 6 Wednesday’s of Term 1.

Other Pupil free days will be advised early next year.

Mrs Liz Barr

Principal
WORKING BEE for 2013!

You’re invited to the final Rangeview

When: Sunday, 1st December - Time: 9.00am - 11.00am

Please join us and many others for the FINAL WORKING BEE for 2013!

Jobs include: sweeping pathways, weeding & vegetable garden, drains and general clean up

What to bring: rakes, brooms, shovels, pruning gear & any other tools you may need

Before midday a delicious sausage sizzle will finish the morning off. To assist with catering, please complete the below tear-off slip and return it to school by Wednesday, 27th November.

Hoping to see you there - even if you can only stay 1 hour!

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WORKING BEE - Sunday, 1st December

Student’s Name & Grade: ________________________________

Parent’s Name: ___________________________________________________

Number attending: _________________

Please Circle: Yes /No we are able/unable to attend this Working Bee

Please Circle: Yes /No we are able/unable to stay for the sausage sizzle

Foundation students enjoyed their excursion to the Botanical Gardens last Friday
| Prep B | Lucas | For your fabulous effort with your reading and writing in class. I like the way you are trying to read smoothly with some expression when reading a book and the way you are attempting to write more than one piece of information in your stories. Well done, Lucas! You are fabulous! |
| Prep D | Morgan | For your fabulous effort with your writing about our excursion to the Royal Botanical Gardens. I really liked the way used the words first, next, after that and finally, in your writing. A sensational effort, Morgan! |
| Prep H | Blake | For the fabulous improvement in your writing. You are remembering spaces between your words and adding in details. Keep it up! |
| Prep H | Zoe | For being such a friendly class member and so welcoming to Miss Jacob. We really appreciate your kindness in our class. Well done, Zoe! |
| 1B | Amelie | For your ultimate enthusiasm and positive attitude for learning in all subject areas. You are so kind, thoughtful and we are so lucky to have you as a positive role model in 1B. |
| 1H | Cristin | For being a polite and cheerful class member who has given 100% in effort at Rangeview. We will miss you but wish you all the best at your new school in South Africa. |
| 1M | Kade. | For his patience and persistence when tackling challenging tasks. This is a great attribute to develop Kade, keep up the good work! |
| 2B | Jason | For writing a terrific Diamonte poem about a Minibeast. Well done Jason! You have really progressed in your writing skills this year! |
| 2 G | Kevin | For an amazing improvement in his maths this year! Well done. Kevin! Keep up the great work! |
| 2 W | Michelle | For demonstrating your brilliant skills in all areas of mathematics. Outstanding Michelle! |
| 3 H | Lucy | For her fantastic enthusiasm with our craft activities. You are doing an excellent job Lucy! |
| 3L | Charli | For being a fantastic helper in class and always doing it with a smile. Keep it up Charli. |
| 4C | Luke | For an exceptional effort at reaching 93rd in the world on the Mathletics Hall of Fame last week. You put in the homework hours and helped get our class to the world top 10. Awesomely brilliant effort Luke! |
| 5 E | Alexandra | For being a positive, friendly and studious member of our class. You always put your best effort into your work and even in louder lessons, you’re always 100% focussed on completing the task. Well done and keep up the great work. |
| 5 H | Sam | For his fabulous narrative writing about a Bike Adventure. Sam has been focussed on writing, editing and then producing a good copy of a very long story. You are a very good wordsmith Sam! |
| 6 R | Liam | For your enthusiasm and participation in all Bike Ed activities. You are applying the theory to the practical sessions and completing situations such as hook turns and roundabouts responsibly. Well done. |

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**RANGEVIEW FAIR March, 2014**

**Expressions of Interest**

We are on the search for a team to lead the School Fair next year. If you have an interest in being part of this exciting team please let the RCC (Rangeview Community Committee) know (email rangeviewcc@hotmail.com) or leave your name at the school office.

The fair is booked for March 2014. There are many different positions available with varying degrees of commitment needed.

Yes, please add my name: ____________________________ to the ‘Expressions of Interest’ list.

And contact phone number/email: ____________________________

Any specific role I would be interested in: ____________________________
Best Wishes & Happy Birthday to the following students!

November
21st Nov  Ned
22nd Nov  Sophie
23rd Nov  Jake
24th Nov  Max
25th Nov  Charlotte
26th Nov  Kate
27th Nov  Sienna

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22nd Nov  Sophie
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Oxfam Concert / Senior Choir Rehearsals
Correction - The Oxfam Concert will be held at The Box Hill Town Hall (not High School as previously advised).
All students in the Senior Choir and Band should have received information about the Oxfam concert. This will be held next Wednesday, 20th November at Box Hill Town Hall. The concert will start at 7pm.

Tickets for the concert can be purchased from www.trybooking.com/DPB1
$12.00 for adults $8.00 concession. Children are free. Tickets are also available at the door.

Thank you,
Mrs S Van Der Toorren & Ms Lee

Victorian Premiers’ Reading Challenge Awards
The Premier rewards and inspires readers with Lapel Pins. The Lapel Pins are provided for each year level in both Primary and Secondary schools participating in the Challenge. Rangeview Lapel Pin winners for 2013 will be awarded to:

Prep – Justin FB
Grade 1 – Skylar 1M
Grade 2 – Neve S
Grade 3 – Lajeen B
Grade 4 – Inez S
Grade 5 – Oskar M
Grade 6 – Shaye A

All students who participated in this year’s Premier Reading Challenge are to be congratulated for their outstanding effort in completing the challenge. The above students will have their Lapel Pins awarded at assembly next week on Monday 25th November.

Natasha Hale - V.P.R.C. Co-ordinator
Rangeview Community Committee News...

Dates to remember
Monday, 25th Nov - Foundation-2 Subway Lunch
Wednesday, 27th Nov (9.15am) - Years 3 - 6 Subway Lunch due back
Monday, 3rd Dec - Yrs 3 - 6 Subway Lunch
Wednesday, 11th Dec - Carols Night

Unfortunately the Shopping Tour has been cancelled due to lack of numbers.
Rangeview Community Committee has a Facebook Page which is a great new way to keep up to date and informed on upcoming events and information relating to our school.

Thank you to everyone who helped at the School Disco last night! It was fantastic night that the children enjoyed immensely! Photos in next week’s newsletter!

German Christmas Bazaar
Sat 30th November starts 10am
At St Johns German Lutheran Church, Springvale
Full details on school noticeboard

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Outside School Hours Care News

Last week the children enjoyed activities with a Remembrance Day theme. Many of the children joined in making red poppies at the art table. This week we are having fun using Hama Beads.

Our special breakfast on Monday 25 November will be bacon and eggs.

Paying by direct debit is a great way to pay your account. However, we have recently received an unidentified payment of $40.33 paid by direct deposit on or about 11/11/13. If this is yours, please provide details of the payment so it can be applied to your account. Please remember to identify your direct debit payment in the reference field, e.g. “OSH 123 Smith”. “OSH” indicating an OSHC payment, “123” is your OSHC family account number which you’ll find in the top left hand section of your statement, and “Smith” is your family/child’s surname. You are reminded that payment in full is due when you receive your statement.

Thank you to all the parents who have been cancelling their children’s bookings for BSC and ASC. However we still have a number of parents who are not cancelling their bookings. We would like to remind you that you will be charged accordingly for not cancelling your bookings, as per policy.

Contacting OSHC: Please leave a note in the Parent Communication Book at the school office during school hours, phone 9873 0016 or email oshc@rangeview.vic.edu.au.

Thanks, The OSHC Team

Save the Date!

A delicious OSHC Program family dinner will be held Tuesday, 3rd December (more details to follow shortly)
All OSHC families are welcome!

MAD ON MUSIC KEYBOARD & GUITAR LESSONS 2014

Grades 1-6 (2014) Enrolments are NOW being taken for students in Grades 1 – 6 for next year, 2014. Keyboard & Guitar lessons to commence Term 1, 2014


To save disappointment, please enrol before the end of Term 4, 2013

Mad On Music do not take enrolments in Term 3 & 4.

Term Dates 2013
Term 4 7th Oct - 20th Dec

Term Dates 2014
Term 1 - Tue 28th Jan - Pupil Free Day
Wed 29th Jan - Pupil Free Day
Thu 30th Jan - Years 1-6 start
Fri 31st Jan - Foundation start
term 1 ends 4th Apr
Term 2 22nd April - 27th Jun
Term 3 14th July - 19th Sept
Term 4 6th Oct - 19th Dec

Notices going home - Wednesday, 20th November
• Family Receipts
• OSHC receipts (Monday)
• Newsletter
• Subway Grades 3 to 6
• Learning an Instrument in 2014
• Working Bee helpers flyer
• Letter to parents in 3J & 3L (Monday)
• Brentford Square Xmas Colouring competition
• Working Bee Flyer
You will note that this is a new section in the newsletter. It is a good check to see if the notices are coming home to your family. Where possible a generic notice will be on the website for you to download if needed.

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