City kids with green thumbs win agriculture award

Pupils from Melbourne’s Rangeview Primary School have ploughed up the field of entrants in a state agriculture award to win $10,000 for their flora and fauna program.

The primary school’s local food program, which educates kids about growing, selling and cooking local food in an urban setting, has been awarded the grant from Coles as part of the Great State of Ag Initiative.

The Great State of Ag Initiative was instigated by Rural Finance in 2013 and the latest round of funding has been provided by Coles.

The $10,000 grant was presented by Coles to Rangeview Primary School this week at the Heart of Victoria dinner hosted by the Royal Agricultural Society of Victoria and the Victorian Farmers Federation, with Coles as the major sponsor.

Coles Fresh Business Category Manager for Vegetables, Daniel Williams, said Coles was delighted to present the school with a cheque for $10,000.

“The judges considered the school’s program a winner because of its reach to hundreds of families each year and its potential for sharing knowledge and understanding of fresh food production and enhancing the image of Victorian agriculture,” he said.

“Imporantly it tackles first hand the growing issue of children not knowing where the food comes from."

Rangeview Primary School Principal Liz Barr said the school was thrilled to win the grant, which would help to expand the flora and fauna program at the school.

“This program is unique to Rangeview Primary School and we’re very fortunate to have input from parents and staff around us. We’ve evolved a program that’s strongly around local food production, harvesting, cooking and selling,” Mrs Barr said.

“I think we have future farmers in the process, students who actually love the growing part, and who reflect on what they’ve contributed."

I think they see a stronger connection to the food they eat, the food they see in their pantry and what they see in the supermarket.”

“Let the really important part of this program is the promotion of agriculture and food production, which our students often don’t have a really high knowledge around. The growth in their knowledge around food production has been massive.”

“It is really important that children know how things are produced and how to sell it commercially. Also, the presentation of food and the pricing is critical in the selling and the children have learnt about that.”

“With the funds, the future looks even brighter in Rangeview. We have a large area still to develop where we’ll plant berries. We’re also hoping that we can develop a two-year program.”

Rangeview Primary School began their flora and fauna program six months ago, when it arranged a tractor to plough up a portion of their land. The children drew plans for the area and then planted an olive grove, an orchard with citrus and apples, before growing tomatoes, pumpkins and other varieties.

For more information on Great State of Ag, visit www.greatstateofag.com.au

For more information or high resolution images, please contact: Julia Balderstone, Local Communications Manager, Coles 0409 570 107 ulia.Balderstone@coles.com.au

The link below is the video played at the award ceremony on Thursday evening: http://www.weeklytimesnow.com.au/news/photos-fnkfoqeh-1226953418694?page=4

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From the Principal’s Desk

First Aid Fund Survey
You would have received a hardcopy of this Survey on Tuesday. We have set up a ‘survey monkey’ through the website and ask you, if possible, to use this to answer the survey. Thank you for your cooperation.

iPad Presentation Evening
The optional Bring Your Own Device (BYOD) iPad program for Foundation and Level 4 students starts in term 3. In preparation for this transition families were invited to attend the information evening last week. The evening covered the user agreement, parental and student responsibilities, APPs, general technical questions and connectivity for a smooth introduction of this innovative program.

This evening was well attended by staff and families and I acknowledge the thorough preparation by the iPad team- Melissa Dann, Rebecca Hull, Nicole Barnes with technical support by Ben Mason and Bruce Smith. Ian Bunston, Karen Hastie, Caroline St Ruth and Alex Box made up the team effort for the night. All documentation is on the school web site.

iPad – How to Use an iPad Session
Monday, 23rd June 9am-9.45am in the staffroom
Open to all families (not just Foundation and Level 4)
Basic to Intermediate users
Answer those questions you may have been too embarrassed to ask
Introduction to some of the APPs used in classrooms
RSVP – bring your own or use a school device for the session
Please use the tear off slip below if you wish to attend.

Out of School Hours Care Update
We are very excited by the prospect of the partnership with OSHClub. The transfer of licence for our OSHC program is underway and I have been notified that the program can commence operation under the OSHClub name from Monday, 14th July. Last week statements were provided to all families with outstanding accounts. Final accounts, issued by Thursday, 17th July including the Holiday Program, need to be paid in full. Many families took the opportunity to attend the OSHC family dinner followed by the information session by OSHClub last week. The session answered many questions parents had about the booking and payment process. In readiness for term 3 families are encouraged to register online with OSHClub as soon as possible at www.oshclub.com.au

Parent Forum and Feedback
In readiness for our school review there is a parent forum this Wednesday at 9am in the staffroom.

$10,000 COLES SEED GRANT to Rangeview. Please refer to the front page and the comments over the page by the children who attended the evening. We are very proud of the recent success in being awarded the 2014 Coles Seed Grant. I attended the Agriculture Awards ‘Harvest of Victoria’ gala dinner that celebrates innovation in agriculture in Victoria with Level 3 staff, parents and 3 lucky students last Thursday evening. The video filmed at the school with students and staff was shown at the dinner with more than 800 people related to agriculture industry attending. We were the only school attending and the only award for the evening. The Minister for Agriculture, Mike Walsh presented the cheque to our level 3 students, Tom, Abbey and Jason.

Thanks again to Mel Sanders, Beth Joyce and Ness Cook for their work on the submission and to all the families and friends of Rangeview who went onto the website to vote or leave a comment. The grant is a $10,000 cash grant and allows a plan for continued work in the gardens, kitchen and other sustainability works. A wish list will be drawn up early next term. The short film and stills taken for the promotion of this grant will be on the school web site. The media release from Coles has been sent home to all level 3 families.

Parent/Teacher Interviews - Semester 1, 2014
On Wednesday June 25th and Thursday June 26th, Semester 1 Parent Teacher Interviews will take place. The program to book these Interviews is called Parent Teacher Online (PTO). A sealed envelope with parents’ names was sent home last week. Please don’t hesitate to contact the office if you have any problems.

Enrolment reminder
Planning is well underway for 2015 Foundation. 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 as soon as possible as well.

Herald Sun School Grant
Please cut out the Herald Sun mastheads (front page titles) and put them in the box at the office for the chance to win $10,000 for the school. Visit heraldsun.com.au/winforyourschool for more information. Competition closes Friday, 20th June 2014.

Fundamental Movement Skills Program
For the past few Thursdays the Foundation students have participated in a Fundamental Movement Skills program in the hall. The children have had a fantastic time. The program has been lots of fun, sometimes challenging and above all beneficial to their development of co-ordination and confidence.

Each session, children moved around a circuit of approximately 7-10 activities. These activities formed the basis of all the physical activities that children will likely use, both in sport, play and everyday life. Thank you to the parent volunteers who helped with the sessions.

A huge thank you to Bianca South, who once again this year organized the program!

Mrs Liz Barr - Principal

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Yes, I would like attend the ‘How to Use an iPad session
Family name:__________________________________________________________
Youngest Student at Rangeview:_________________________________________
Please circle - YES / NO I require a school iPad to use during this session
Before and After School Care sessions continue to be in high demand. The children are enjoying the fun and energetic multi-sport coaching run by ProActivity staff as part of the Active After-school Community program at ASC for those who want to participate.

We enjoyed our Family Dinner (great fried rice Penny!) last Wednesday with nearly 70 people attending. For dinner there were four courses! My favourite dishes were the roasted chicken with wild mushrooms, shallots and parsley and the desert: Hardings swee Bosch pear & caramelized Kyalbarm quince crumble. It was so rich I couldn’t finish it.

When we had finished dessert everyone had a few photos holding the enormous cheque. Afterwards, there was a big place with fruit and veggies that you could take for free, which I loved. On the way back from the show grounds we watched a movie called Gnomeo and Juliet. WE HAD GREAT FUN!!!!

OSHC News....

Musical News
Photos of the NEVR concert choir and bands are available to purchase on the website www.johntraversphoto.com.au look up bands and choirs. The password is NEVR.

Schoolpix - Tuesday 24th June in the music room

Schoolpix Orders for Miscellaneous Groups
There are several miscellaneous group photos for sale that include the following:
- The Student Leadership Group
- School Captains
- Student Voice Leaders
- House Captains
- Junior and Senior Choirs
- Rangeview Band
- The Junior School Council

A Miscellaneous Group Order Form envelope is available at the office (from Thursday) if you would like to order any of these photos (cannot be ordered online). The photos are displayed outside Mr Bunston’s office in the front foyer of the school for viewing.

If you wish to purchase a photo, you could please return the order form to the school office no later than 3.30pm Thursday, 26th June.

Please note that delivery will take 3-4 weeks from the receipt of your order.

RCC Dates
- Rangeview Uniform Exchange. Open every Thurs, 8.45am
- Wed 18th June L3 to L6 Subway lunch orders due
- Mon 23rd June L3 to L6 Subway lunch
- Saturday, 26th July - Vision Portraits at Rangeview
- Entertainment Books

Rangeview Notices for 18th June
- Newsletter
- OSHC Statements & Letter
- Receipts
- Level 4 SEDA notice (Monday)
- First Aid Fund Survey

Please check this section weekly to see if your notices are coming home to your family.

Rangeview Great Win

Goles $10,000 Seed Grant

On Thursday night Tom W, Abbey S and Jason X went to the showgrounds in Mr and Mrs Barr’s car to meet Mrs Quin, Mr Le, Mrs Joyce and Mrs Marshall at the venue. The entree was scrumptious and to make it even more superior we WON!!!!

Now we can pay for new things for our Flora Fauna Program!! Jason and I got to hold the huge cheque!

On Thursday evening Mrs. Barr, Mr. Barr, Mr. Le, Mrs. Joyce, Miss Quin and Mrs. Marshall went to the show grounds with three Level 3 students. The lucky students were Abbey and Tom from 3M and Jason from 3L.

When we arrived at the dinner we found out there were almost 200 people attending. For dinner there were four courses! My favourite dishes were the roasted chicken with wild mushrooms, shallots and parsley and the desert: Hardings swee Bosch pear & caramelized Kyalbarm quince crumble. It was so rich I couldn’t finish it.

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We enjoyed our Family Dinner (great fried rice Penny!) last Wednesday with nearly 70 people attending. This was followed by an informative Parent Information Session run by OSHClub representatives and the OSHClub Account Manager for Rangeview, Georgia Ginis, was introduced. From the beginning of Term 3, all queries are to be directed to Georgia who will be available from 8am to 4pm Monday to Friday on email georgia@oshclub.com.au or phone 8564 9025 or 8564 9000. Please note that OSHC will continue to be administered here at Rangeview PS until the beginning of Term 3 – please direct all queries about Term 2 and holiday program to us.

Things to Do Now in preparation for the transition to OSHClub management from the beginning of Term 3 2014:

You must enrol with OSHClub if you will be using the OSHC program from the beginning of Term 3. You are encouraged to do this now – complete the enrolment form online at www.oshclub.com.au. When creating your account, select “Rangeview OSHClub” from the school list. There aren’t any registration fees, so even if you’re not sure if you’ll be using the program, complete your enrolment so it’s ready to go should you need it. Your child/ren won’t be able to attend the program if you haven’t enrolled them.

Set your bookings for the beginning of Term 3 onwards up online at www.oshclub.com.au once your enrolment is confirmed.

Child Care Benefit (CCB) and Child Care Rebate (CCR) - if you aren’t already having CCB and CCR applied to your OSHC account so you just pay the gap, ensure that you register with Centrelink either online or in person to be assessed for CCB and CCR.

Holiday Program – booking forms are out now. The program will run Monday to Friday, 30 June to 11 July from 8am to 6pm. Completed booking form to be returned by next Wednesday, 25 June.

If you have any further questions about the transition to management by OSHClub from the beginning of Term 3, please contact Liz Barr or School Councillors and parents Phil Grant, Dannye Burdeu or Lloyd Lazaro.

Account statements were sent out last week and payment in full is due on receipt of your statement. OSHC is a not for profit organisation and you are charged in arrears for sessions attended. To ensure a smooth transition over to OSHClub, it is essential that all outstanding money that is payable to Rangeview Primary School OSHC is paid.

A minimum 24 hours notice is the preferred notice for a cancellation or to make a casual booking. We need to ensure we have a place for your child/ren and our staffing ratio is correct as the regular (Before and After School Care) OSHC program is in high demand. - The OSHC Team

Contacting OSHC: Leave a note in the Parent Communication Book at the school office or phone 9873 0016 or email oshc@rangeview.vic.edu.au.
Student of the Week - for Monday, 23rd June assembly

F B  Kav  Paddy
For consistently bringing interesting items for our Letterland table each week and for working hard on your Reading and Writing skills. I am very pleased with the effort you are applying to your work, Kav. Well done! You are fabulous!
For working extremely hard in Reading and Writing workshops. I like the way you are always prepared to start work straight away and you try to present your work to a very good standard. A fabulous effort, Paddy! Well done!

F H  Daniella
For the outstanding improvement you have made in your reading and writing! WOW! You are now confident to have a go at sounding out words independently. Keep it up Jack!

F S  Jack
For the fabulous effort you are putting in to your writing. You are sounding out words and using the coloured words to help you. Keep up the great work!

1 G  Imani
For always being friendly, helpful and kind and ‘filling other people’s buckets’.

1 H  Laura
For a very persuasive book review on ‘Bob The Builder’. Well done Laura!

1 L  Anton
For demonstrating the school value of Respect by being kind to others and always using good manners.

2 B  Christian  Archer
For having completed and read a total of sixty seven books for the Premier’s Reading Challenge. An excellent achievement Christian!
For demonstrating an excellent understanding of the Inferring reading strategy and sharing your great examples and ideas during Reading groups. Well done Archer!

2 D  Finn
For making a fantastic mini-project on the Velociraptor. You had great facts and presented it in your book wonderfully. Keep up the wonderful work Finn!

2 H  Isabella
For making very good improvements in her reading. Isabella has been very focussed during independent reading time and her stamina for reading has increased. Well done Isabella!

2 G  Patrick
After tantalising our tastebuds with your description of a seriously, incredibly delicious sundae, you then taught us how to make chocolate chip cookies and treated us with the finished product. Delicious, Paddy!

3 M  Rory  Fletcher
For sharing her well designed model of the sun, earth and moon with the class. Well done Rory!
For showing kindness towards others. You thoughtful gestures are much appreciated Fletcher. Well done.

3 L  Josh
For always showing great manners and respect to teachers and to his peers. Thank you for always holding the door for Mr Le. Wonderful effort Josh

4 A  Matt
For being a responsible member of 4A. You are a good listener who takes on board the expectations and instructions, also helping to remind others of these. I even got parental feedback about your excellent display of responsibility on our Scienceworks excursion.

4 B  Lachie
You have worked well on your math story problems, showing your thinking using Popplet and solving them accurately. Super work!

4 H  Serena
For being a very interested learner on our excursion to the Planetarium and Scienceworks. You are always asking questions and looking for ways to answer or solve problems at all times on our classroom and around the school, well done Serena!

5/6 K  5/6K
All of our class for a very successful and rewarding term in achieving our goals. You are FANTASTIC!!

5 M  Noah  Lachlan
For writing an interesting poem about a significant person from Australian History, Captain James Stirling. Wonderful!
For your well researched, creative and informative Australian History Project. Well done!

5 W  William  Josh
For demonstrating creative writing skills, including humour and rhyme in your poem entitled ‘The Grand Final’. Brilliant work!
For writing an excellent and well presented procedural text about ‘How to Make Convict Scones’. Great Effort!

6 M  Jenny
For showing bravery and resilience at camp, facing your fears to do the ‘Summit Window’. You were inspirational to others. Well done!

6 M  Lachlan
For demonstrating your understanding of our school value ‘Responsibility’, by carrying out your role as Laptop Monitor in such a reliable, efficient manner. Well done Lachlan!

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Australia Day!

The 3rd of June 2014 was a noteworthy day at Rangeview Primary School. The project that was organized for Level 5 was all about discovering more about our Australian History especially the 1800’s.

The exhibition was from 9:30 to 11:00am and was set up like a gallery in the senior area of the school. We had a mind blowing turn out with a number of visitors from foundation to pensioners. It was an incredible experience!

Later…..we put ourselves into some 1800’s shoes. We participated in 3 activities which included gold panning, kid’s games and we even baked convict scones. The teachers put on some outstanding British accents to extend the level of fun by 1 extra bit of brilliance!

The day turned out to be an unforgettable one that will never be forgotten. Teachers, schools and pupils from other destinations should pounce onto this project! - Harry 5M
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Best Wishes & Happy Birthday to the following students!

June
18th June - Harrison
19th June - Chloe, Jack, Noah, Mitchell
20th June - Harrison, Sarah, Emme
23rd June - Ella
24th June - Sawanika, Jasmine, Emma

PET ROSTER

Term 2 - Levels on Duty:
- For the week 16th June to 27th June 4B is on duty.

Term 2 - Families on Duty:
- For the weekend 21st June the Roche Family are on duty.

Term 2 Holiday Roster
28/6/14 - Johnston Family
2/7/14 - Icey & Johnston-Clark Family
6/7/14 - Campbell Family
9/7/14 - Moynihan Family
Beth Joyce (3J) - Animal Welfare Co-ordinator

Would your daughter or son like to give netball a go? Come along to NetSetGoat Rangeview Primary School. NetSetGoat is an introductory program for netball aimed at children aged from 5 – 10. The program will be starting on Monday 28 July on the lower basketball courts from 3:45 pm – 4:30 pm.

For information please contact Nikki Ferri 0409746224 or Nikki Scambittera 0403324957.

All for Kids Market
Sat 21st June 9am - 1pm
@ NewHope Church, 3 Springfield Rd, Blackburn Nth
See flyer on school notice board

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Educational Technology at Rangeview - Level 1 Exploring Popplet

This term the Level 1 students have started using the iPads in their classrooms. They have a set of 9 to share between the three classes so use these on a rotational basis. They are using them in all areas of the Curriculum.

1L used the app Popplet to show their learning in Maths. They worked in partners and chose a number to investigate. They took pictures and worked out sums that equalled that number.
HIP HOP dance classes - Term 3

Back in Term 3 due to popular demand!

- Open to all students (both boys & girls) in Level 2, 3 & 4
- Every Wednesday lunchtime in the hall, starting Term 3 Wednesday, 16th July (10 weeks in total for term 3)
- No experience required! Just a positive attitude & a desire to learn 😊
- **Maximum 30 places available (first in basis)**
- **Charge:** $50.00 for 10 weeks

Hello! My name is Luarna Pollard. My eldest of 3 daughters is in level 2 at Rangeview P.S. I have danced since I was 4 years old and have been teaching since I was 17. I specialise in early development from the ages of 2-13, teaching various dance genres. As in Term 2, I am offering hip hop dance classes to the students, based on a term fee and commitment of attendance. 100% of all fees are donated to the school.

Students are not required to bring a change of clothes, but I do ask that they wear comfortable school attire – skort, shorts, track pants, leggings & school polo etc. Please no school dresses on this day as they restrict movement, especially floor work. Sneakers are required!

Enrolments for Term 3 will be taken at the school office as of next Thursday, 26th June from 8.50am sharp (no early birds please). Full payment must be made to confirm a place in the class. Cash or Credit Card payments only. Once the sessions have begun, unfortunately no refund will be possible.

**Needed – Level 6 Student Helpers** - For any Level 6 students (boys & girls) that are interested in Hip Hop dance and would like the opportunity to assist in these classes, I am looking for 5 students to help every week. Previous dance experience in any genre would be beneficial but not essential. This is a commitment of 10 weeks where you will learn leadership skills, teamwork & being a role model, as well as being a part of the dance experience. If this sounds like fun to you and you would like to be involved then please put your name down at the school office on Thursday, 26th June at 8.50am. You will be notified before the first session if you are needed to help. There is no charge for helpers.

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Term 3 HIP HOP dance classes

Yes, I give my daughter / son: _________________________________ (name) in Level: __________ permission to attend the Hip Hop Classes every Wednesday until the end of term 3.
I understand that once classes have begun there is no refund available.

Parent / Guardian Signature: __________________________________________

(Please circle) CASH enclosed $50.00 / or Credit Card DETAILS BELOW

**Credit Card Payment Form:** Name on Card: __________________________________________

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