Many members of our school community came together last night to welcome our new 2017 Preps to Ranfurly. They were greeted by their Buddy and presented with their first Ranfurly school shirt, ready to start the 2017 school year. Our Year 4 students who take on big responsibilities next year as buddies, really showed the new families what our school is about, introducing themselves and looking after their new friends.

A terrific way to join the Ranfurly family by spending a lovely night here on the lawns. Congratulations to everyone involved. This coming Tuesday, 6th December 2017 is our last orientation session with our incoming preps. Can’t wait to see you here with a snack at 9.30am and pick up at 11.30am.

‘It’s Not OK To Be Away’ and ‘It’s Great If You’re Not Late’
**Principal’s Thoughts**

It was great to see so many of our new Ranfurly students and families last night at our Welcome BBQ and I was very impressed by the efforts of our year 4 students. A special mention to Grace Potts who stood in front of the crowd to deliver a welcome speech.

With our new Preps beginning their journey, another is almost at an end. Our year 6 students are in the last few weeks of their Primary schooling and they are all ready to launch off to Secondary schools next year. This group is a terrific group of young people, showing their vast skills on a regular basis. Next week they all get to spend time at their new school on transition days and they will be graduating from our school.

Last night I caught up with one of our past students who now attends Chaffey Secondary (Richard). He is a very proud of being a former Ranfurly student and was telling me how much he had enjoyed being part of the Chaffey P.A.C.E. program this year and has been accepted again next year.

P.A.C.E. is set up by Chaffey for high performing students who attend their school. This class grouping have had many Ranfurly students in them over the years and next year (so I am told) is full of our wonderful, Strong Smart and Deadly kids.

Don’t forget to get along to our “It’s a Ranfurly Christmas Concert” in two weeks. Our students and teachers have been busily getting the event organised ready to celebrate.

Dennis Mitchell

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**QUEST FOR KINDNESS**

This term the Quest for Kindness flip group have decided to do a Ranfurly Wishing Tree. The items that get donated will be given to Mallee Family Care. This is because we want the kids who are less fortunate than us in Mildura to have a happy Christmas.

We are asking families if they could donate second hand toys or games that your children have outgrown or don’t use anymore. The wishing tree donations will start on the 5th of December and then finishes on the 9th of December. There will be a Christmas tree located in the BER where you can place your donation, or you can send it with your child to their classroom and a Quest For Kindness member will come and collect it to put under the tree.

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**Ranfurly Disco**

Grades 4, 5 & 6

Thursday 1st December

6.30pm-8.30pm

Ranfurly School Gym

Theme—Fluoro

$3 including drink

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**PARENTS’ CLUB NEWS**

Christmas Raffle Donations 2016

Parents’ Club would STILL appreciate more donations of Xmas goods for the annual Christmas Raffle. Possible suggestions for donations may include but are not limited to baskets, paper, colouring books, tree ornaments, story books, decorations, gift vouchers, non-perishable food items.

Baskets are located in each classroom. There will be a prize for one class from each unit for the most donations.

Raffle books are now available from the Office for families to take home and sell. Your support would be much appreciated.
JUNIOR SCHOOL COUNCIL

On Friday the 25th of November, the Junior School Council held a fundraiser to support the Movember Foundation. The purpose was to raise awareness and support for programs designed to help men experiencing health issues or depression. Students wore blue to show their support and there were lots of different colourful moustaches on many smiling faces. After a successful day, we raised $300 dollars to support the Movember Foundation. Well done everyone!

I’d like to welcome all the Prep buddies and their families for 2017. We are all looking forward to doing fun things with you for the next two years. We are all really glad to have you come to Ranfurly. Ranfurly is a great school and I hope you all love it like we all do.

Grace Potts

Grace Potts presented a ‘Welcome Speech’ to the 2017 Preps and their families.

LIBRARY NEWS: Please note the Library will be closed as from next Monday, 5th December. All student loans will be due back by Friday, 9th December.

DONATIONS/SPONSORS FOR CONCERT

If any of our Ranfurly families/ businesses would like to make a donation or to sponsor the end of year concert please contact the front office. We would also appreciate any Christmas Decorations for the School Concert you may not be using. Please forward to Miss Clarke in the Music Room.

Ranfurly Primary School

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SCHOOL UPDATES

DECEMBER 2016

**Thu 1**
Grades 4, 5 & 6 Disco
6.30pm-8.30pm

**Tue 6**
2017 Preps Whole Group Orientation
9.30 - 11.30am (snack required)

**Thu 8**
Grade 6 Graduation

**Sun 11**
Ranfurly School Choir
Mildura Carols by Candlelight

**Mon 12**
School Concert
‘It’s a Ranfurly Christmas’

**Wed 14**
Grade 5/6 Pool Day

**Mon 19**
Grade 5/6 Big Day Out

**Tue 20**
Grade 6 Maccas Breakfast
Last Day of Term 4
Dismissal 2.30pm

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CANTEEN NEWS

Don’t forget the Canteen is open right through to Monday 19th December.

COMMUNITY NEWS

**BUSLINK**

Please Note

On the last day of school, Tuesday 20th of December 2016, ALL SCHOOL Bus afternoon runs will commence one hour earlier than a regular school day. Any student that would normally catch connection buses will be required to make their own arrangements. Students must be at their regular bus stops one hour earlier to ensure they do not miss the bus.

SUMMER READING CLUB

‘It’s Not OK To Be Away’ and ‘It’s Great If You’re Not Late’
### Preps Term 4 @ a Glance

**You Can Do It Stars of the Week**

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<td>Room PRB: Chloe Clarke for Strong, Smart and Deadly learning in all areas.</td>
<td>Room PRE: Brenna Hyde for being a friendly, caring class member and showing resilience.</td>
<td>Room PRM: Akipe Piawi for working hard to write the sounds that he can hear in words.</td>
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**Special Events**

**Christmas Donations:**
There is a tub in each room ready for any donations for our Christmas Raffle. Thanks to the families that have already made a donation! 😊

**Christmas Lunch: 14th December**
**Cost:** $6

A note was sent home last week with more information. Signed permission notes and money are due back by 09/12/2016. The Camps and Excursion Fund money will cover the cost of this if your child is covered.

### Years 1/2 Term 4 @ a Glance

**You Can Do It Stars of the Week**

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<td>Faith Misimoa for being a very kind friend in the playground.</td>
<td>Berkan Kankal for completing a persuasive text that follows the correct structure.</td>
<td>Drey Whitton for being more persistent with his writing.</td>
<td>Angie Walker for showing confidence when sharing her work to the class.</td>
<td>Aleera Hollis for always being confident in maths groups this week.</td>
<td>Tia Johnson for excellent efforts all week in reading and writing.</td>
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**Special Notices and Events**

**MOZZIE BITES**
As the mozzies are particularly bad at the moment, it may be a good idea for your child to have a spray of repellent before coming to school in the morning.

**CONCERT COSTUMES**
Stay on the look out for a note in your child’s bag about the costume your child will be asked to wear in the school concert. Concert date is Monday, 12th December and is a wonderful night of music, dance and good fun.
### Year 3/4 Term 4 @ a Glance

**YOU CAN DO IT STARS OF THE WEEK**

| Room 3B: | Ariana Hipe for working enthusiastically with her team during our Indigenous Studies project. Great Effort! |
| Room 3D: | Tiannah Ybanez for being such a kind and considerate class member who works well with her peers. Well done Tiannah. |
| Room 3/4D: | Anna Ntamavukiko for working more consistently in class to get her work done. |
| Room 4H: | Grace Potts for her confident welcome to everyone at the Prep Buddy family night. |
| Room 4L: | Oscar Turner for displaying great honesty. |

**This Week’s Unit Topics**

| Literacy: | Explanations |
| Numeracy: | Place Value, Shape, Time, |

**Special Events:** Year 4, 5 and 6 disco. 6.30-8.30 tonight, $3 entry, fluoro theme.

### Year 5/6 Term 4 @ a Glance

**You Can Do It Stars of the Week**

| Room 6M: | Leeroy Kidson for showing great responsibility when checking and watering the FLIP garden every morning. |
| Room 5/6H: | Jonathan Veit for making a sensational start at Ranfurly and becoming a new member of the 5/6H team. Well done Jonathan! |
| Room 5S: | Blake Peterson for being a caring role model for his prep buddy. |
| Room 5K: | Brayden Backus for demonstrating persistence and positivity during writing to create an interesting story during Let’s Write. Awesome effort Brayden! |
| Room 6B: | Tarryn Luffman for showing persistence in her writing project. |

**Special Events**

- REC SPORTS
- 2017 School Leaders speeches are being presented on the 7th Nov
- Big Day Out and Pool Day notes to be returned by the 9th Dec
- Grades 4/5/6 Disco 1st Dec
- Transition Day 6th & 7th Dec
- Grade 6 Graduation 8th Dec
- School Concert 12th Dec
- Pool Day 14th Dec
- Big Day Out 19th Dec
2016 END OF YEAR SCHOOL CONCERT
RANFURLY PRIMARY SCHOOL

It’s A Ranfurly Christmas!
Monday 12th December 2016

Grade 6 Graduating Class of 2016

Food & Drinks available from 5:30pm

Announcement of Student Leaders for 2017 and presentation of ‘Student Awards’

Parents Club Raffle!

Concert Starts at 7:00pm

Students arrive & seated by 6:30pm

Respect, Pride & Safety The Ranfurly Way!

See you at the Concert!

SMOKING AND ALCOHOL IS NOT PERMITTED IN THE SCHOOL GROUNDS
Ranfurly Rock Stars are ready to hit centre stage!
We would like to send out a warm welcome to our extended Ranfurly Family and invite all student family members, friends and community members to our wonderful end of year “It’s A Ranfurly Christmas” Concert.

Date: Monday 12th December 2016
Venue: Ranfurly P.S. Back Oval
Time: 5:30pm onwards
Concert pre-entertainment: 5:30 – 6:45pm
Students seated with classroom teachers by 6:30pm
R.P.S. Concert items commence at 7:00pm

Bring Your Own: Chairs, Picnic Rugs,
Optional: BYO Camera, Hats, Sunscreen, Insect repellent (bug spray).

FOOD available (to purchase) from 5:30pm:
Parents’ Club Drinks Stall
Mallee Burger Van
Vintage Catering Co.
Great Australian Ice Creamery Van
Plus more!

Parents’ Club Christmas Raffle:
Tickets can be purchased at the Parents’ Club drinks stall gazebo on the concert evening. Winners will be announced at the end of the concert.
Thank you for supporting Ranfurly P.S. 😊