



THE RAMBLER

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RESPECT PRIDE SAFETY

RANFURLLY CROSS COUNTRY

Friday 22nd March



We will be having our annual Whole School Cross Country Friday 22 march 2024 Students are asked to wear their House colours on the day, wear comfortable shoes for running and bring a water bottle. If you are unsure of your child's House colour please see your child's class teacher. House shirts are available from the office for \$10 each if you would like to purchase one

The first race begins on the school oval at 9:00am



'It's Not OK To Be Away' and 'It's Great If You're Not Late'

PRINCIPAL REPORT

A short week this week after the long weekend, I hope you all had a great break!

It is hard to believe that we have passed the halfway point of the term. With already so many events behind us and with many still in front of us, students of all year levels have been engaged in deep learning experiences in and out of the classroom. Continuing to provide these types of opportunities is a big part of creating great school memories while enhancing student engagement. We recommend following the school on its social media platforms and checking out the newsletter to stay up to date.

Our very clever students in Grade 3 and Grade 5 have commenced their NAPLAN testing this week. Although NAPLAN is an important piece of a school's data puzzle, our school wants to recognise that all Ranfurly grade 3 and grade 5 students are much more than data. It's important to remember that this is not a way to test if your child is a good student or if they are successful at school. They are people with so many skills and talents that these assessments do not measure. Therefore, our recommendation is to not over highlight the assessment and encourage students to approach it with their best effort, like they do with all areas of their schooling. Trying hard, staying on task, and not putting too much pressure on themselves was the goal for this week.

It's great to see this week, lots of our students and parents acting in a Road Safe way when picking up students from school. We have had a near miss in the past and this week it has been terrific to see the way children are leaving from here. Don't forget to use the crossing safely and thank you everyone for thinking about the safety of our students during pickup and drop off times.

Learning Talks are scheduled for Tuesday 26 March 2024 and bookings opened last week. In two weeks, our "Learning Talks", which is a format to get parents/carers more involved in your child's classroom learning. This event will be where you are seeing and hearing about learning goals and what your child is working on right now. Here at school, we talk about "What I know – What I'm learning – What I'm learning next" this will be the time this is shared with families and it's your opportunity to ask questions and have input into the learning goals. We are really excited about this event and really look forward to sharing this with you all. As mentioned previously, this will be a student free day to allow for 'Learning Talks' (Parent/Teacher) Meetings to discuss your child's learning. Students are not required to attend school on this day, but it is essential that they attend the Learning Talk meeting. If you need support booking a time, please don't hesitate to contact your child's teacher.

It's NOT OK to be away! It's COOL to be at SCHOOL! Remember that being at school and on time, every day, can improve student learning! Please make sure you continue to send a note if your child is going to be absent from school. Our staff goal is to ensure that we can significantly reduce any unexplained absences and encourage our students to attend school. Remember that it is your responsibility to provide the school with an explanation for your child's absence.

Thank You

Dennis, Mark, Chelsea

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YEAR 3/4 UNIT @ A GLANCE



STARS OF THE WEEK

ROOM 3D: Grace Elliott for putting time and effort into her work and being proud of what she produces. Well done Grace!

ROOM 3W: Elise Anderson for having a positive attitude in class and inspiring others to be creative. Well done Elise!

ROOM 3R: Dakota Wallace for her positive attitude and fantastic effort in completing all tasks to her best. Keep up the great work!

ROOM 3L: Liam McCullagh for a fantastic effort with guided reading. You were awesome at reading and answering the questions during our discussion. Well done Liam.

ROOM 4B: Arlia Duffield for her enthusiastic attitude and positive results when completing assessment tasks. Awesome effort Arlia!

ROOM 4T: Jayvon Toomey for excellent effort with his reading since the start of Grade 4.

ROOM 4M: Scarlett Coomber for her lovely, neat presentation of her workbooks and showing pride in all work that she completes. Well done Scarlett!

AWARDS

25 Nights



Monika Ros, Myah Parfery,
Marley Malycha, Alex Keil,
Lewa Damuni, Ryder
Evans-Walker, Lacey Hunt,
Henry Goulet, Marcus
Byrnes, Havana Evans-Walker
Jamarcus Finau, Emmanuel
Sobowale, Adah McGurk,
Ellenestina Niyera

This Week's Unit Topics

Reading - BIG ideas and
Building our Vocabulary

Writing - Narrative Text

Maths - Chance

Integrated Studies - The
convicts of The First Fleet



BIRTHDAYS



14th March - Jayse Masoe

15th March - Myah Parfrey, Alecia
Parfrey

19th March - Lachlan Button

NOTICE BOARD



YEAR 5/6 UNIT @ A GLANCE



STARS OF THE WEEK

5T: Harry Creamer for being a dependable helper inside and outside of the classroom, he is always lending a hand to both his peers and teachers with kindness and enthusiasm. Keep it up, Harry!

5C: Alirah Smith for making a great start to her schooling at Ranfurly PS. We enjoy interacting with your bright and bubbly personality and positivity to all tasks undertaken.

6J: Ruby Johnston for her resilience and organisation within the classroom. Keep up the awesome effort, Ruby!

6M: Jack Modica for being a massive help to his peers and consistently completing his work to a high standard. Well done, Jack!

6P: Rubee Leong for her happy and enthusiastic attitude towards all aspects of her work! Rubee is a kind and responsible member of 6P! Well done.

AWARDS

Reading

25 nights - Hugo Tyson, Peyton
Brabender, Karneshia De Been,
Charli Deiesi, Damon Hawke, Lisia
Maea, Parvarnah Stoker Potts, Abby
Crouch, Bethany Barling, Isabelle
Goulet, Javanah Hampton,

50 nights - Adelle Cameron

Maths Award

Miss Parfrey - Mia Gardiner



This Week's Unit Topics

Literacy - Writing to Entertain

Reading Comprehension - Monitoring,
Connecting, Questioning, Inferencing,
Visualising

Numeracy - Number and Place Value

Resilience Project - Mindfulness

BIRTHDAYS

Deondre Hayes (12/3/24),

Layne Smythe (13/3/24),

Arlan Clifford (13/3/24),

Joseph Nutting (16/3/24)



NOTICE BOARD

- Nightly Reading 15 mins x 4 nights a week.



- Maths and Spelling homework
(Grade 6 only)- due Friday.

- Grade 5 Camp Expression of Interest
Notes due.



- Grade 6 Camp Expression of Interest
Notes due.

- Learning Talks - Tuesday the 26th
March

★ ★ ★ ★ ★ Preps Term 1 Unit @ a Glance ★ ★ ★ ★ ★

<p style="text-align: center;"><u>Stars of the Week</u></p> <p>Room PL: William Ibbetson for confidently coming into the room by himself and getting himself organised.</p> <p>Room PM: Ryder Gornalle for working hard to do the 6L's of listening.</p> <p>Room PC: Victor Alleblas for showing great resilience at drop off time. You are getting so good at bouncing back and having a great day.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Birthdays</p> <p>Jayden Bizimana 21st March</p> 
<p style="text-align: center;">Next Week's Unit Topics</p> <p><u>Numeracy</u> –We are learning about 2D and 3D shapes.</p> <p><u>Literacy</u>- We are learning to say and write the Unit 1 sounds - s, a, t, i, m and Unit 2 sounds n, o, p and Unit 3 sounds b, c, g, h</p> <p><u>The Resilience Project</u>- We are learning about emotions and how our faces and body language tells others how we are feeling.</p> <p><u>Our Community</u> We are talking about who is in our community and how we look after things in our community.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Special Events/Reminders.</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><u>DATES TO REMEMBER</u></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><u>Thursday 21st March</u> School Photo day</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><u>Friday 22nd March</u> Cross Country</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Wednesdays are school days for our Prep students from now on.</p> 

★ ★ ★ ★ ★ Years 1/2 Week @ a Glance ★ ★ ★ ★ ★

<i>Stars of the Week</i>		Birthday 15 th March—Jett Polimeni-Kirby 17 th March—Dustin Barrett 
Room 1D:	Selu Kaifoto for her amazing effort in story writing. Well done Selu.	
Room 1E:	Makenzie Nunn for impressing us with her deep thinking about the characters in our class text. Keep those awesome insights coming, Makenzie!	
Room 1V:	Riley Philp for being excited about growing his brain, trying his best at learning time, and asking for help when he needs! Super work Riley!	
Room 2S:	Aria Benton for maintaining a positive mindset when faced with challenges. It's great seeing you build your resilience. Fantastic effort!	
Room 2C:	Xavier McMahon for showing persistence and determination in his learning. Well done Xavier!	Reading awards  <u>25 Nights</u> : Charlie Paterson, Eloise Tyson, Liora McLeod, Lunasha Neupane, Daisy-Lynne Kelly, Matilda Moss, Ashton Sutcliffe, Jax Rosebottom, Oakley Henderson, Enoch Sobowale, Joshua Harris, Mason Rodi Special notices <u>Thursday 21st March</u> : School Photos. Please return order form asap, even if you have ordered online. <u>Tuesday 26th March</u> : Learning Talks
Room 2B:	Olivia Muscat-Laverty for a mighty effort when publishing her story. You were so persistent to make it your best effort. Keep up the amazing work, Olivia. :-)	
<i>Grade 1/2 Unit Topics</i>		
Grade 1 Focus:	Grade 2 Focus:	
READING - Character Traits SOUNDS - The /oe/ sound can be spelt 'ow', 'oe', 'oa', 'o' and 'o-e' WRITING - Verbs and nouns in sentences	READING - Elements of a Narrative SOUNDS - The /or/ sound can be spelt 'or', 'au', 'ar', 'aw' and 'al' WRITING - planning and writing a narrative MATHS - Whole Numbers INTEGRATED STUDIES - Places and Spaces:	

COMMUNITY NEWS

Welcome to The Resilience Project

PARENTS & CARERS

Working on gratitude helps us to be thankful and appreciate what we have in our lives, rather than focusing on what we don't have or what we want.

When we practise being grateful, we start to scan the world to look for positives – this only takes 21 days! Practising gratitude everyday increases our levels of energy, and helps us to feel happier and more focused, determined and optimistic.

It even helps us have better sleep, lowers levels of anxiety and depression and we are less likely to get sick. So many benefits – let's all try to be grateful for the things and people in our lives every day!

Whole Family Activity:

Gratitude Scavenger Hunt

- ⇒ As a family create a scavenger hunt list of things that make you happy or you are grateful for, you can make your own list or use the examples below:
- ⇒ Something that makes you happy
- ⇒ Something you love to smell
- ⇒ Something you enjoy looking at
- ⇒ Something that is your favorite colour
- ⇒ Something you like in nature
- ⇒ Something that is useful for you
- ⇒ Each member of the family uses the list and has to find as many things as they can.
- ⇒ You can hunt for things inside or outside, or both. You can hunt for real things, or you can also do this using magazines or pictures from the internet.

After a set amount of time hunting, come back together, have a look at what each person collected and let them explain why they are grateful for each item.

Family Habit Builder:

Every night at dinner, have each person talk about their favorite thing about that day.



1 WEEK

UNTIL MSP PHOTOGRAPHY VISITS OUR SCHOOL

Please call MSP on 5482 3190 if you have any questions.

PARENTS CLUB EASTER RAFFLE AND GUESS THE NUMBER OF EGGS COMP

Parents' Club are running
a Easter Raffle

\$1 per ticket

Guess the Number of Eggs

\$1 per ticket

Tickets will be on sale at the
breakfast club and the office

Winners announced

Thursday 28 march



BOOKCLUB Issue #2

Please note orders close at
9am on FRIDAY, 15th March.

Order online using "LOOP" or cash orders
to Mrs. K. in the Library.



LIBRARY BAGS – Help Needed

We are in desperate need for Library Bags to have stocked in the Library for students to purchase.

The bags sell for \$2.00. (Please note that all students should have a bag for borrowing!)

If anyone who loves to sew can make some bags, it would be much appreciated. I have material here in the Library if needed.

Thanks in advance,

Mrs. K.



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SCHOOL UPDATES

MARCH 2024

Fri 15 March	Book Club due back
Mon 18 March	Flip excursion - Station Homestead to Lock 11 and Lock Island
Thurs 21 March	School Council Meeting 7am in Staffroom
Thurs 21 March	School Photo Day
Fri 22 March	School Cross Country
Tue 26 March	Learning Talk Day
Thurs 28 March	Easter Hat Parade
Thurs 28 March	Last day of term 1:30pm Finish

CANTEEN NEWS

Nugget meal deal

- ⇒ 4 chicken nuggets
- ⇒ Popcorn
- ⇒ Flavoured milk milo or juice
- ⇒ Quelch icy pole

\$9.00



Junior School Council



Easter Hat Parade

Thursday 28 March

Most classes will plan some time to do this at school, however students may wish to supply their own hat and decorations.
Further information will be provided about this event.

HAPPY EASTER



What's been Happening

Adelle Cameron

3rd 50m backstroke

2nd 50m butterfly

She also managed to better both of these times by approx. 3 seconds each

She was proud to be representing Ranfurly and showed great sportsmanship by cheering on the other local swimmers from the Sunraysia.



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