

Red Range Public School Newsletter



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Relay For Life

Relay For Life is an overnight, community event where teams of 10-15 participate in a relay-style walk or run to raise funds for Cancer Council. The event brings the whole community together for a night of fun, entertainment, celebration and remembrance. Each Relay For Life event is organised by



a local volunteer organising committee on behalf of Cancer Council. There are no age limitations or fitness requirements - Relay For Life is suitable for everyone, and anyone can join in the fun! Red Range Public School will be entering a team in the Glen Innes Relay for Life to be held at the Glen Innes Showground on 12th March 2010. Parents and students are welcome to join the team by registering on-line at www.relayforlife.org.au. Children who would like to come along on Saturday morning between 9am – 12noon can join us in the walk. Please send a note to school with your child to let us know if you intend to join us.

AWARDS

Seth Fischer – Super effort in Literacy.

Hope McIntyre – Super effort in Literacy.

Cody Andrews – Super effort with Spelling.

Hope McIntyre - Outstanding Mathletics

Jeremiah Boney - Mathematics effort

CRAZY HAIR DAY FOR KIDS

To support this year's Leukaemia Foundation World's Greatest Shave, we're having a Crazy Hair Day for Kids at school on 12 March. Students will make a gold coin donation in return for coming to school with temporary hair colour spray in their hair. Money raised by our school on Crazy Hair Day for Kids will help the Leukaemia Foundation to fund

free services to support local patients and fund blood cancer research. Each year around 10,000 people in Australia are diagnosed with leukaemia, lymphoma, myeloma or a related blood disorder; 40,000 live with one now. While treatments are improving, blood cancer is the second most common cause of cancer death in Australia. The Leukaemia Foundation is the only national not-for-profit organisation dedicated to the care and cure of patients and families living with blood cancers and related blood disorders.

- **Vision to Cure** – The foundation invests millions each year in the work of Australia's best researchers to find better treatments and cures.

- **Mission to Care** – The foundation provides free services to support patients and their families including education, information, emotional support and transport to and from treatment. The foundation provides regional people who relocate for treatment a place to call home in the city for as long as needed.

The Leukaemia Foundation receives no ongoing government funding and relies on your support to continue its important work. Please support Crazy Hair Day by coming to school with coloured hair on 12 March and donating a gold coin to support the Leukaemia Foundation – it'll be a fun day for a serious cause.

Mathletics Awards

Silver Awards – Cody Andrews (2552 points).

Bronze Awards – Martin Williamson (3020 points), Katie Feeney-Smith (2377 points), Hope McIntyre (4048 points), Chloe Arandale (1958 points), Harmony Cotten (2654 points), Emily Shannon (1624 points) & Tristan Latham (1020 points)

Happy Birthday

9/03/10 Charlie Smith

2/04/10 Seth Fischer

NWPSSA Swimming Carnival

Congratulations to Hope McIntyre who represented the school at the North West PSSA Swimming Carnival in Armidale last Tuesday. Hope competed in the 9 years 50m freestyle and finished 4th in her heat.

Helping your child with Spelling

What should I do when my child asks how to spell a word?

- Ask if your child can suggest any parts of the word.
- Make sure he or she has access to a dictionary.
- Simply tell your child how the word is spelt.

Should I correct my child's spelling?

- First, encourage your child to check his or her own work and find any mistakes.
- If your child has made a mistake with a common word, ask him or her to try to fix it without your assistance.

What should I do if my child finds spelling difficult?

- Continue to encourage your child to have a go when writing, to check words he or she is not sure of, and to ask for help.
- If your child seems to be having problems consult his or her teacher.

What if I am not a good speller?

- No problem. Use the dictionary together. It is good for your child to see you using a dictionary. Talk about what you do when you don't know how to spell a word.

Should I let my child use a spell checker?

- Yes. Children need to be made aware that spell checkers can be useful, but that there are times when they are not effective, eg
 - When the word is spelt correctly but it is not the right word, eg shore and sure
 - When the computer gives suggestions but the child still does not know which one is correct
 - When the computer uses American spellings.

Community Notices

Stuck on you labels – This is a great way of keeping all your children's jumpers, hats, lunch boxes etc out of the lost property. Orders can be made on the attached order form or online at www.stuckonyou.biz. Please remember to enter our school name in the school/fundraiser field as we receive commission on every order.

Dates to Remember

9 th March	Healthy Ears Program for K – Year 2
12 th March	Closing date for Manilla Central School Horse Sports entries
12 th March	Crazy Hair Day for Kids – Gold coin donation
12 th – 13 th March	Relay for Life
16 th March	Last day for Book Club orders
18 th – 19 th March	Tenterfield High School Horse Sports
19 th March	Return Year 7 2011 Expression of Interest form
25 th March	P & C AGM – 3pm in the School Library
26 th March	Manilla Central School Horse Sports
29 th March	Life Education Van
31 st March – 1 st April	NSW PSSA Swimming Carnival – Homebush
1 st April	Last day of Term 1
2 nd April	Good Friday
4 th April	Easter Sunday
5 th April	Easter Monday Public Holiday
19 th April	Pupil Free Day
20 th April	First day of Term 2

Thought for the day

Don't fail for want of trying – give it a go.
W.P.G