

Red Range Public School Newsletter



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NAPLAN Test

The National Assessment Program – Literacy and Numeracy (NAPLAN) will be completed by all students in Years 3, 5, 7 & 9 in all government and non government schools from 11th – 13th May 2010. Parents will receive a report indicating their child's level of achievement. Each student's level of achievement will be reported against the national minimum standard. Additional information about NAPLAN can be found at <http://www.naplanforparentsnsw.com.au>

Small Schools Cross Country

This year Ben Lomond Public School will be hosting the Small School's Cross Country. Students from Ben Lomond, Red Range and Wyaliba will be attending this event. All age groups will be catered for on the day and selections will be made for children to represent the school at the District Cross Country at Emmaville on Friday 21st May 2010. Parents and carers are most welcome to travel to Ben Lomond to join us for the day. Children who have ordered a Sausage Sizzle for lunch will need to bring their money with them on Friday. Sausage sandwiches will be \$2 each or a lunch pack consisting of a sausage sandwich and a drink will be available for \$3.

Red Range Playgroup

Parents with pre-school aged children (0 – 5 years) are invited to attend the Red Range Playgroup which will be held at the school each week commencing Thursday 20th May 2010 from 9.00am – 11.30am. The children will take part in organised activities in the morning and are welcome to stay and join the other children for lunch. Please pass this invitation on to anyone you feel may be interested in attending the playgroup.

AWARDS

Katie Feeney-Smith – Being a great role model for other students.

Hope McIntyre – Being a polite and enthusiastic class member.

Martin Williamson – Being a helpful classroom member.

Katie Feeney-Smith, Bryce Chard, Martin Williamson & Emily Shannon – Super effort with narrative writing.

Katie Feeney-Smith – Super effort with spelling.

Opportunity Class placement Year 5 2011

Opportunity class placement provides intellectual stimulation and an educationally enriched environment for gifted and talented students in Years 5 & 6. If you're looking for Opportunity class placement for Year 5 entry in 2011, please submit an application form by 21st May 2010. The Opportunity Class Placement Test will be conducted on Wednesday 28th July 2010. Generally students are in Year 4 in 2010 when applying for Year 5 entry in 2011. Information and application forms are available from the school or you can find out more at www.schools.nsw.edu.au/ocplacement.

Attendance at School

The first lesson of the day is considered vital learning time. It is essential that your child is at school on time and settled into class to maximise their educational potential.

Home Bake

There will be no 'Home Bake' special this Friday as the whole school will be attending the Small School's Cross Country at Ben Lomond.

Green Up – Clean Up

A reminder that Green Up Clean Up will be held on 17th May 2010 and every participant who raises more than \$10 will receive a reward for their effort in the form of a prize they can choose from the great range available. Raise between \$70 - \$99 and have a choice of a World Cup soccer ball, Body board, Sea monkeys, explorer Kit, Lava Lamp or an inflatable boat. Thank you for your support.

Helping your child with shapes and objects

What can you do at home?

- Use boxes and containers of different sizes to play “stacking” games.
- Ask your child to help you put away the groceries and talk about which things will stack easily.
- Make biscuits using cookie cutters or make pretend biscuits from modelling dough. Talk about the shape of each biscuit.

More ideas in a variety of languages at www.curriculumsupport.education.nsw.gov.au/primary/mathematics/numeracy/parents/helping_shapes.htm

WELCOME TO THE 8TH EDITION

SCHOOL parents
Helping mums and dads with school life

In this edition you will find:

- How to recognise if your child is gifted
- Matt Moran's secrets to lip-smacking lunches
- Andy Griffiths top tips on creative writing
- Teen angst experts on supporting your daughter to say no to peer pressure
- Top reading and number games to help your young learner succeed at school

Find out more

www.schools.nsw.edu.au/schoolparents

Learning to love numbers tip:

When shopping, ask your child to help you work out how many more items are needed e.g. “I have six apples here, how many more should I get to make 10?” More tips at www.schools.nsw.edu.au/media/downloads/news/ezone/yr2010/issue02/number-tips.pdf

Happy Birthday

28/5/10

Lili Andrews

Learning to love reading tip:

Read aloud to your child everyday. Set aside a special time e.g. bedtime. It helps them to learn the language of books and will encourage them to enjoy books and reading. More tips at www.schools.nsw.edu.au/media/downloads/news/ezone/yr2010/issue02/literacy-tips.pdf

Dates to Remember

11 th – 13 th May	NAPLAN Testing for students in Years 3 & 5
14 th May	Small Schools Cross Country – Ben Lomond
15 th – 16 th May	Endurance Ride – Red Range
17 th May	North West PSSA Junior Golf Classic
17 th May	Green Up – Clean Up Day
20 th May	Red Range Playgroup
21 st May	District Cross Country – Tenterfield
21 st May	Closing date for Gilgai Horse Sports entries
26 th May	Taronga Zoo's Zoomobile
26 th May	Red Range Playgroup
28 th May	Gilgai Public School Horse Sports
3 rd June	Leaping Loonies
3 rd June	Red Range Playgroup
11 th June	Questacon Maths Squad – Show and Workshop
11 th June	Wee Waa High School Horse Sports
18 th June	Regional Cross Country – Coolah
23 rd July	NSW PSSA Cross Country – Eastern Creek

Thought for the day

Enthusiasm is the greatest asset in the world.
It beats money, power and influence.
Henry Chester