

# Red Range Public School Newsletter



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## Small Schools Cross Country

Last Friday we travelled to Ben Lomond for the Small Schools Cross Country. Students from Black Mountain, Bald Blair and Chandler Public schools also attended. Unfortunately students from Wyalaliba were unable to attend. The children had a great day taking part in other fun activities at the completion of the Cross Country. Full results will be detailed in next week's newsletter. Children who have qualified for the District Cross Country which will be held in Tenterfield this Friday 21<sup>st</sup> May 2010 will receive information and a permission note tomorrow.

## Our World Through Children's Eyes

This term the Nazca Dreaming Society and Arts North West will be presenting a cultural exchange and environment art project for our students. The Country Arts Support Project is funded by the NSW Government through Arts NSW and jointly delivered by Regional Arts NSW and Regional Arts Boards throughout NSW. The society works mainly with small rural school in Australia and Peru. The project will commence this Thursday with a presentation on Peruvian culture and continue each Friday with a whole school art project. The Society will also have a Peruvian Stall at Woolworth in Glen Innes between 10.30am-530pm this Friday which parents may be interested in looking at.

## Attendance at School

Your child must be at school every day unless

- He/she is too sick to go to school
- Has been injured
- Has to go to a special religious ceremony
- Has an infectious illness (eg mumps, chicken pox, measles).

## AWARDS

**Jeremiah Boney** – Contributing well to all classroom discussions.

**Lochlan Casson** – Having a great day at the Cross Country.

**Martin Williamson** – Super narrative ideas.

**Cody Andrews** – Super narrative ideas.

**Cody Andrews** – Super reader award.

## SUPER SPELLERS

**Week 4**

Katie

Lochlan

## Helping your child with writing

Ask your child to tell you about events which did not involve you, eg a friend's birthday party. This helps them work out what a listener needs to know and prepares them for writing. More tips at [www.schools.nsw.edu.au/schoolparents](http://www.schools.nsw.edu.au/schoolparents)

## Internet safety tip

Remind your child to keep information such as their name, address, phone number, school and even your credit card number to themselves. When signing up to a chat room, they should use a screen name that is a nickname and not easy to work out. The same goes for choosing passwords - don't make them easy to figure out. If your child is going to put photos on the Internet, ensure they don't show them wearing their school uniform – this can be enough to identify your child's school. Also ensure that any photos are not the type that would attract unwanted attention from strangers. More great advice at [www.schools.nsw.edu.au/click](http://www.schools.nsw.edu.au/click)

**Eco tip**

Did you know Australians are the second highest waste producers in the world. We throw away 3.3 million tonnes of food a year - the equivalent of a quarter of the nation's food supply. What can you do? Shop smartly – avoid unnecessary packaging and buy only what you need. More great tips at [www.livingthing.net.au](http://www.livingthing.net.au)

**Green Up – Clean Up**

The children took part in the “Green Up, Clean Up” today at school. Please send sponsorship money to school this week so prizes and fundraising can be finalised. Thank you to all the parents who helped their children with their fundraising.

**National Reconciliation Week**  
**27<sup>th</sup> May 2010 – 3<sup>rd</sup> June 2010**

National Reconciliation Week is an important time for all Australians. The two dates are significant in the history of reconciliation. The 27<sup>th</sup> of May is the anniversary of the date of the 1967 Referendum which successfully removed from the Constitution clauses that discriminated against Indigenous Australians. The 3<sup>rd</sup> of June is the anniversary of the High Court decision in the Eddie Mabo land rights case handed down in 1992. The theme for 2010 is ‘Reconciliation Week – Let’s See It Through’.

# Home Bake

The ‘Home Bake’ special for this Friday will be  
 2 Meat and corn fritters \$1.50  
 Hot Milo 50c

**Dates to Remember**

17 <sup>th</sup> May	North West PSSA Junior Golf Classic
17 <sup>th</sup> May	Green Up – Clean Up Day
19 <sup>th</sup> May	Visit from Peter Pickett, School education Director
20 <sup>th</sup> May	Peru Cultural Day
20 <sup>th</sup> May	Red Range Playgroup 9am – 11.30am
21 <sup>st</sup> May	District Cross Country – Tenterfield
21 <sup>st</sup> May	Closing date for Gilgai Horse Sports entries
26 <sup>th</sup> May	Taronga Zoo's Zoomobile 1.15pm. Parents and pre-schoolers invited to attend
27 <sup>th</sup> May	Red Range Playgroup
27 <sup>th</sup> May – 3 <sup>rd</sup> June	National Reconciliation Week
28 <sup>th</sup> May	Gilgai Public School Horse Sports
3 <sup>rd</sup> June	Visiting Performance – Leaping Loonies
3 <sup>rd</sup> June	Red Range Playgroup
11 <sup>th</sup> June	Questacon Maths Squad – Show and Workshop
11 <sup>th</sup> June	Wee Waa High School Horse Sports
18 <sup>th</sup> June	Regional Cross Country – Coolah
23 <sup>rd</sup> July	NSW PSSA Cross Country – Eastern Creek

**Thought for the day**

Those only are happy who have their minds fixed on some object other than their own happiness.

*J.S.Mills*