

Red Range Public School Newsletter



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Taronga Zoo's Zoomobile

Taronga Zoo's Zoomobile is coming to our school. Students will have an amazing 'hands on' animal encounter when the Zoomobile visits this Wednesday 26th May 2010. The Zoomobile brings a range of native Australian animals enabling students to interact with the animals and develop an excellent understanding of their adaptations. In the International Year of Biodiversity, the Zoomobile visit will bring to life classroom work on living things and sustainability. There will be no additional cost for the Zoomobile visit as this is covered by the student contribution which each family received an invoice for earlier this year. We remind parents who have not paid this contribution to please do so to ensure your child does not miss out on these learning opportunities.

The Leaping Loonies

The Leaping Loonies have appeared all over Australia in schools, clubs and circuses. Their numerous television appearances include The Midday Show and Burke's Backyard as well as various children's television shows. The Leaping Loonies will be performing at the school on Thursday 3rd June 2010 and for fifty minutes it's one gag after another as these two larrikins juggle, vault, somersault and tumble producing a uniquely Australian brand of hilarious acrobatic comedy. The cost of attending this performance is also covered by the student contribution.

Eco tip

Did you know? Australians are among the highest water users in the world. What can you do? Turn off the tap while cleaning your teeth – you can save around 5 litres of water every time. More tips at www.livingthing.net.au

AWARDS

James Williamson & Martin Williamson – Outstanding effort tin fundraising.

Emily Shannon & Hope McIntyre – Fantastic effort in fundraising.

Jeremiah Boney, Katie Feeney-Smith, Bryce Chard & Chloe Arandale – A great effort in fundraising.

Lochlan Casson – Super effort identifying nouns.

Katie Feeney-Smith – Fantastic 'Green Up Clean Up' colouring in entry.

SUPER SPELLERS

Katie Hope

Super Readers

Jerry Bryce Cody Martin

Attendance at School

It is important to let the school know when and why your child is away from school by providing a written note outlining the reason for the absence. Alternatively you could telephone or visit the school. Legally parents are required to explain your child's absences within seven days of their occurrence. Failure to do so will result in an unjustified absence being recorded.

District Cross Country

Emily Shannon & Hope McIntyre competed in the PSSA Northern New England District Cross Country at Tenterfield last Friday. The competition was tough with Emily having 18 competitors and Hope having 21 in their respective age groups. Emily finished in 12th place and Hope in 18th. Congratulations Emily and Hope.



Education
& Training

We acknowledge the Ngorabul people as the traditional custodians of this land.

Encourage everyday physical activity

What you can say to your child to get them active:

- 'It's time to play outside now.'
- 'Rex needs some practice fetching. It'd be great if you could go outside and throw the ball to him.'
- 'Let's walk to the shop to get the things we need for dinner.'
- 'Wow, you've been jumping on the trampoline for ages.'
- 'Keep going. Your sandcastle is getting so big.'
- 'You did a fantastic job pulling the weeds out of the garden. It's great when you help.'
- 'You rode a really long way today on your bike – well done.'

More ideas at www.raisingchildren.net.au

Snack ideas

- Muffins - make with added mashed or diced fruits or grated vegetables.
- English muffin + cheese.
- Fruit loaf
- Scone - plain or fruit or pumpkin
- Pikelets
- Pita chips - cut pita bread into triangles, sprinkle with grated cheese and bake in moderate oven until crispy (store in airtight container).
- Homemade pizza - Lebanese bread + tomato paste + veggies + cheese.
- Wholemeal crackers + slice cheese.
- Small tub yoghurt - keep this cold with an ice-brick and an insulated bag.
- Cheese sticks.

More ideas at www.meerilinga.org.au

Home Bake

The 'Home Bake' special for this Friday will be
Pumpkin Soup with cheesy bread \$1.50
Hot Milo 50c



PLAYGROUP

Our 'Playgroup' got off to a good start last week with the children having a great morning of fun activities. This week 'Playgroup' has been invited to come along to the Zoomobile on Wednesday and on Thursday we will be doing a 'hand print mould' for each child. Next week's activity will be 'Creative Cooking' followed by the 'Leaping Loonies' performance.

Dates to Remember

26 th May	Taronga Zoo's Zoomobile 1.15pm. Parents and pre-schoolers invited to attend
27 th May	Red Range Playgroup
27 th May – 3 rd June	National Reconciliation Week
28 th May	Gilgai Public School Horse Sports
3 rd June	Visiting Performance – 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
14 th June	Queens Birthday Public Holiday
18 th June	Regional Cross Country – Coolah
2 nd July	Crazy Hair Day
2 nd July	Last day of Term 2
19 th July	Pupil Free Day
20 th July	First day of Term 3
23 rd July	NSW PSSA Cross Country – Eastern Creek

Thought for the day

The most important single ingredient in the formula of success is knowing how to get along with people.

Theodore Roosevelt