

Red Range Public School Newsletter



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Taronga Zoo's Zoomobile



Last Wednesday we had a visit from the Taronga Zoo Zoomobile. The children had the opportunity to touch the animals although some were not keen on patting the snake. The echidna was a favourite.



Josh patting the snake.

Chloe, Bryce and Jerry get a close up of the lizard.



AWARDS

Joshua Hall – Great help in moving and sorting.

Emily Shannon – Super sportsmanship!

Jeremiah Boney – Super speaking of 'Spanish'.

Katie Feeney-Smith – Great colour mixing for Peru Art.

James Williamson – Responsible playground behaviour.

SUPER SPELLERS

Brandon	Cody	Martin	Bryce
Katie	Emily	Hope	Chloe
James			

Super Readers

Josh	Chloe	Lili
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Washpool Excursion

Tomorrow the whole school will be going on an excursion to Washpool National Park. As the weather has been wet, windy and cold we suggest that children bring extra warm clothing and a coat. It is expected that all children will participate in this excursion therefore no supervision will be provided at school.

Questacon Maths Squad

The Tenix Questacon Maths Squad is a 1 hour presentation and follow-up workshop. The program is designed to encourage students to challenge their existing attitudes to maths with interesting, colourful, challenging puzzles and dynamic story-telling. This program is presented by Questacon – The National Science and Technology Centre in Canberra. Using interactive, hands-on mathematical tasks

and lively presentations the Maths Squad guides students towards discovering the importance of maths in our lives. The presenters demonstrate that maths is intriguing and not just about numbers. The Maths Squad will unlock the fascination, enjoyment and hidden potential that are often concealed in maths.

Internet safety tips

Stranger danger is online too - Ensure your child never organises to meet up with any strangers that they have met online. If they really want to meet up, encourage them to talk to you about it first and insist on going along with them. Remind your children to also be wary opening emails from strangers too. They could contain spam (online junk mail), a virus (which will harm your computer), or be from a stranger looking for trouble.

Keep computers out in the open! Your child might think twice about looking at inappropriate websites and won't be able to chat to their friends all night while you think they are doing their homework. More tips at www.schools.nsw.edu.au/click

Attendance at School

Sport and other exercise is needed for healthy physical development of children. Sport is part of normal school activity and children must attend. Appointments with people like doctors or dentists should be made for before or after school.

Home Bake

The 'Home Bake' special for this Friday will be
Hamburger \$2.00
Hot Milo 50c



Eco tip

Did you know? Australian households spend on average, \$1,500 on energy bills each year. What can you do? Install energy-efficient lighting such as compact fluorescent bulbs, and turn off lights when you leave a room. More tips at www.livingthing.net.au

Literacy News

There will be no homework this week due to Accelerated Literacy testing and the excursion to Washpool on Tuesday.

Road Safety Reminder

The best way to protect your children near traffic is to hold their hands. Young children do not make effective use of their hearing and vision, and lack the skills to make safe decisions when in the road traffic environment.

More tips at www.kidsandtraffic.mq.edu.au

PLAYGROUP

Thank you to all who attended the Zoomobile last Wednesday. The children enjoyed an amazing hands-on Australian animal encounter. This week's playgroup activity will be 'Creative Cooking' followed by 'The Leaping Loonies' performance. Next week's activity will be spray bottle painting, sponge painting and magic drawing.

Dates to Remember

1 st June	Washpool Excursion
3 rd June	Visiting Performance – Leaping Loonies
3 rd June	Red Range Playgroup
10 th June	Red Range Playgroup
11 th June	Questacon Maths Squad – Show and Workshop
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

Children need love, especially when they do not deserve it.

Harold S Hulbert