

# Red Range Public School Newsletter



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## PSP Program Survey

Red Range is currently a Priority School. The Priority Schools Programs provides additional funding, staffing and consultancy services to identified schools. Priority Schools receive additional resources for literacy, numeracy and participation programs for students. A new list of Priority Schools is identified every four years by a voluntary survey of families. The next survey of families will occur during the week 5<sup>th</sup> to 9<sup>th</sup> March 2012. While participation in the survey is voluntary, it would be of great assistance to the school if all families could complete and return the survey form by the end of this week. The information you provide is important for the consideration of the school for funding from the NSW Priority Schools Programs from 2012 to 2015. The survey form is short. It only takes up one side of a single piece of paper. Only essential questions are asked. It is easy to complete. The survey forms are returned in a sealed envelope. No-one at the school can read the response of any family. No-one who opens the envelope at the scanning company knows which family it came from. If you have any questions or require any assistance in completing the forms please contact the school.

## P & C AGM

The Annual General Meeting for the Red Range Public School P & C Committee will be held on Thursday 22<sup>nd</sup> March 2012 in the school library at 3.00pm. An invitation is extended to all interested parents and community members to show their support for the school by becoming an active member of the P & C. As well as looking for parents to fill the usual executive and committee positions we will also need a new Homebake

Coordinator this year. Anyone who can spare some time to support the school and their children by becoming involved with the P & C is encouraged to attend the AGM.

## AWARDS

**Declan Andrews-Murdock** – Always having a go.

**Jada Fields** – Awesome effort in Maths.

**Taneekwa Patterson** – Awesome effort in PDHPE.

**Taz McLennan** – Excellent Zumba dancing.

**Elierha Fields** – Great work in PDHPE.

**James Williamson** – Awesome work in Maths.

**Jerry Boney** – Awesome work in Maths.

**Jesse Dowling** – Super work in Maths.

**Trinity McLennan** – Super work in Maths.

**Izarha Fields** – Super effort in Text Type writing.

**Chloe Johnson** – Contributing to class discussions.

**Maleika Speedy & Chloe Johnson** – Fantastic effort creating their Hermit Crab shell.

## K – Year 2 News

Students have the opportunity to share their 'News' with the class each week. Children will be sent home with a 'News Plan' to help them prepare for their News. Could you please assist your child with completing their plan. If children wish to bring in an item to show as part of their news this will be safely kept inside the classroom. News timetable is as follows:-

Tuesday – Jaimie, Izarha & Sarah.

Wednesday – Maleika & Iszac.

Friday – Jake, Chloe & Taneekwa.

## Happy Birthday

8/3/12 Jaimie Loeb

10/3/12 Jake Dowling

23/3/12 Dominic Holt



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

### Year 6 to Year 7 2013

Year 6 students have today taken home an information package regarding High School enrolment procedures. The Expression of Interest form is to be completed and returned to school no later than 16<sup>th</sup> March 2012.

### My Friends and I

With a winning blend of drama, puppetry, poetry and audience participation, this light hearted humorous production tackles the age old problem of bullying, head on. Students are introduced to the very bullied Cinderella and learn how in this {new telling of the age old tale} she overcome being very badly treated by her step mother and sisters. Throughout the show students are assured that if they are being bullied it is not their fault and there are things they can do about it. The show explores both the physical and psychological effects of bullying on the victim as well as offering strategies to deal with bullies. Practical strategies are presented to disarm bullies. Students are also reminded that to have a good friend you must be a good friend. Becky and this colourful cast of rod, glove and humanette puppets present a well-paced visually stimulating and entertaining show that gets the serious anti-bullying message across.

### Bandaged Bear Appeal

With the 23rd annual Bandaged Bear Appeal running throughout March 2012, The Children's Hospital at Westmead, which treats 70,000 sick children each year, is asking the community to show its support to seriously ill children by holding a Bandaged Bear Breakfast, making a donation or purchasing Bandaged Bear Appeal merchandise. Head to the Bandaged Bear Appeal website at [www.bandagedbear.com.au](http://www.bandagedbear.com.au) or call 9845 3481 for more information.

### Become a foster carer

This year around 24,000 young people aged from babies to teens will be living in out-of-home care due to a range of domestic issues. As a result, foster carers are urgently needed

and Fostering NSW is calling on caring and stable people to help care for a young person in their home. Foster carers play a vital role and by giving these children safe and caring homes, either short or long-term, help to change their lives for the better. If you would like to know more about becoming a foster carer, call 1800 236 783 or visit [www.fosteringnsw.com.au/](http://www.fosteringnsw.com.au/)

### Community Notices

**Glen Innes Junior Netball** – Registration and Skills Day 17<sup>th</sup> March 2012 commencing at 11.30am. This is for past players to sign up and for any new ones interested in playing to come and try with no obligations. Free Sausage Sizzle. Competition officially starts on 31<sup>st</sup> March 2012 with a break during the school holidays. The cost for juniors is \$40. K & Year 1 start at 11.30 most weeks, Years 2 & 3 at about 12.15 and Years 4, 5 & 6 from 12.15 to 1.20 depending on their skill level.

### Dates to Remember

5 <sup>th</sup> – 9 <sup>th</sup> March	Priority Schools Program survey
9 <sup>th</sup> March	<b>Final date to return Priority Schools Program survey</b>
15 <sup>th</sup> – 16 <sup>th</sup> March	Regional Conference      Principal's
16 <sup>th</sup> March	Year 6 students return High School Expression of Interest form.
22 <sup>nd</sup> March	Visiting Performance – My Friends and I
22 <sup>nd</sup> March	<b>P &amp; C AGM</b>
5 <sup>th</sup> April	Last day Term 1
6 <sup>th</sup> April	Good Friday
8 <sup>th</sup> April	Easter Sunday
23 <sup>rd</sup> April	Pupil Free Day
24 <sup>th</sup> April	First day Term 2
25 <sup>th</sup> April	ANZAC Day

### Thought for the day

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

W.P.G

ABSENTEE NOTICE



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STUDENT'S NAME .....DATE OF ABSENCE.....

REASON FOR ABSENCE .....

SIGNATURE OF PARENT.....