

# RED RANGE PUBLIC SCHOOL

Term 4 Week 1

Week ending 11th October, 2013



# **CALENDAR**

- SMASH PROGRAM
- Dates to be finalised
- 17th October, 2013
- P & C Meeting RSL @ 4pm
  - 25th October, 2013

"Day for Daniel Morcombe"

- 25th October, 2013 Book Club orders due
- 18th Nov 3rd Dec, 2013 Swimming scheme
- 16th December, 2013 End of Year Excursion to 'Shake, Rattle and Bowl"

On Friday 25th October the school will recognise and support the "Daniel Morcombe Foundation".

On this day students are invited to wear something red. Throughout the day students will participate in some activities and watch a DVD regarding child safety and awareness.

The curriculum aims to improve students'

knowledge, skills, understanding and awareness about personal safety through three core messages: Recognise, React and Report.

"DAY FOR DANIEL"

The aim of the day is to: 1.Educate children regarding their personal safety (including abduction) 2. To assist victims of

crime, particularly where

crime involves children 3. Remembering Daniel with suitable child safety community awareness events 4. Supporting the families of Missing Persons particularly where that involves children.

#### **SWIMMING SCHEME**

Students will be participating in the annual 'School Swimming and Water Safety Program" from Monday 18th November, 2013 to Tuesday 3rd December, 2013.

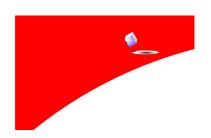
This year students will travel to the local town pool for their lessons.

At this stage we are wanting to gauge interest from willing parents and family to help on these days.

The program runs over 10 days, but doesn't include Thursday's. If you are able to help, please contact the school.

We have booked the pool from 1.30pm to 3.00pm for these days.







#### **AWARDS**

# **SUPER SPELLERS** Week 10 Term 3

Jackson Reynolds

#### **CLASS AWARDS**

Jordanne Nanson -Always listening and following instructions Nathan Philp - Great first day at school (Last term award)

Amy Beale - Improved effort in homework and home reading Dominic Holt - Great

attitude towards his work and school

#### **POSITIVE REWARDS** PROGRAM RECIPIENTS

K-2

Mason Peell

3-5

Amv Beale Marika Patterson Taneekwa Patterson





# Welcome back to our last term for 2013.

This term will be a busy one, with lots of new topics to be

explored!

In HSIE we are learning about celebrations and how they differ around the world.

In Science we are going "Back to Nature" exploring how we can use the natural materials in our environment.

#### K-2 NEWS

In PDH, we are investigating safety in all situations at home, in water, on roads etc ....

I would also like to welcome Kylie McAllister to our class. Kylie is here assisting our class for the next four weeks.

#### REMINDER:

Home readers are due back in Tuesday's and Thursday's.

Homework and Library books are due back Friday's.





Welcome back to our last term for the year. their classroom after it had a renovation. The classroom has been freshly painted and a brand new Flat panel TV screen has been erected to replace our ageing smart board.

This term we are beginning to use the new Australian Curriculum Syllabus to research and investigate our topics.

In Science we are exploring the topic Students have returned to 'Eating Out'. Students will investigate the preparation of foods, places to 'eat out' in our local area, designing & making a healthy menu, visiting a fast food restaurant for a meal and looking at types of advertisement used in these businesses.

> In HSIE we are looking at the topic 'Then, Now & Tomorrow'.

Students will research people, buildings and ways of the past, look at how things are today and predict how things will be in the future.

We are also looking forward to our Christmas Carols and Craft towards the end of the term.

# REMINDER:

Home Readers can be returned each day & Homework is due in every Friday.

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#### PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

Welcome back to our last term for 2013!

I hope everyone enjoyed their holidays and are looking forward to a great term ahead.

I'd like to welcome back to our staff Mrs Ward who has returned from maternity leave. Mrs Ward will be teaching the

3-6 class on Thursdays.

I'd also like to welcome Mrs Kylie McAllister from the UNE who will be completing her placement for the next 4 weeks at our school.

Mrs McAllister will be assisting and teaching our K-2 class.

Red Range school would also like to welcome a new student to our school. Nathan is in Yr 4 and I'm sure he'll enjoy his time here and make lots of new friends.

This term our Transition Program continues. Kindergarten Transition is on every Monday and Friday this Term for any students starting Kindergarten next year.

We also have a Yr 3 Transition Program where we are welcoming Yr 2 students from Glen Innes West Infants School that are interested in attending Red Range Public School next year.

This transition will be held Friday 11th Sept, Friday 18th Sept, Friday 1st Nov & Friday 8th Nov.

Our school disco last term was a huge success enjoyed by all that attended and we look forward to holding another disco in the near future. A special thanks to Miss McCarthy for organising this fun event and to our staff members that attended and supervised.

Some up-coming events that we have this term are; our Daniel Morcombe Day, Swim School, High School Musical Performance, Small Schools Swimming Carnival, End of Year Celebration Excursion at (Inverell's Shake Rattle 'N' Bowl), Semester 2 Reports sent home & our End of Year Presentation Day.

Shanelle Gunther Relieving Principal

#### **REMINDERS**

The P & C meeting will be held next Thursday the 17th October, 2013 at 4pm in the RSL Boardroom. We encourage all parents or carers to attend so we can discuss implementing some new items on the canteen menu for these warmer months.

We would appreciate any support that you can offer.

At the end of the day it is to better the school for the benefit of your children and future students.

#### **UNIFORMS**

The school is now well stocked with uniforms, should you require any more shirts, hats, caps, skorts or jackets.

Take advantage of the reduced prices this year and stock up!

Many students are coming to school without their hats/caps.

The school generously provided all students with one each at no charge. If your child has lost or misplaced their school hat, they are available from the Office for \$15.00.

REMEMBER "NO HAT, NO PLAY".

#### **ATTENDANCE**

Schools, in partnership with parents, are responsible for promoting the regular attendance of students. While parents are legally responsible for the regular attendance of their children, school staff, as a part of their duty of care, monitor part and whole day absences. Parents and school have specific responsibilities concerning children's attendance at school

#### Responsibilities of the principal

When reasons for absences are provided to the school by parents, principals are accountable for their decision to record a student's absence as justified. Principals may decline to accept as satisfactory an explanation for an absence and will record that absence as unjustified. Principals may request medical certificates or other documentation when absences explained as being due to illness are frequent or prolonged.

# Responsibilities of parents

The Education Act 1990 requires that parents (including carers) ensure that children of compulsory school age are enrolled at and regularly attend school or are registered with the Office of the Board of Studies NSW for home schooling. The New South Wales Department of Education and Communities may take legal action against parents and carers who do not send their children to school without a valid reason.



# BIRTHDAYS IN OCTOBER

Alex Loeb - 22nd October

# THOUGHT FOR THE DAY.

The aim of education should be to teach us rather how to think, than what to think - rather to improve our minds, so as to enable us to think for ourselves, than to load the memory with thoughts of other men.

Bill Beattie

Friday is library day. Students are encouraged to borrow and return books each week.



# **DEC NEWS**

### Getting off the lounge

It's never been more important for children to get off the lounge and take a break in the great outdoors. You'll find the benefits aren't just health-related . Find out more: http:// www.schoolatoz.nsw.edu.au/ wellbeing/development/whyyour-child-may-learn-better

#### Premier's Spelling Bee app

The app is free at Samsung
Apps and features two
categories for junior and senior
primary school aged children,
with a number of levels that
increase in difficulty. Most
adults would find the high levels
in the senior category a
challenge!
Find our more: http://
www.schoolatoz.nsw.edu.au/
about/mobile-applications/
premier-s-spelling-bee

# **Getting organized**

Mid-way into the month, you may be in need of a planner; or if you're super-organised why not download October's? Find out more: http:// www.schoolatoz.nsw.edu.au/ homework-and-study/ homework-tips/2013homework-planner

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