FROM THE PRINCIPAL

This week was our cluster athletics day at the Redesdale Recreation Reserve with 5 schools participating. We couldn’t have asked for better weather!

All our students had a great day out with 4 students receiving a Blue ribbon for scoring more than 16 out of a possible 18 points. Well done to Alex, Lucy, Mitchell and Connor. Thank you for Kylie for organising the long run for the day and Tim for looking after Callum! Kylie has also been training the students with Carolyn Boyd twice a week at school as part of the Active After School national trial for this term. The day ran extremely well and it was great for the students to catch up with their buddies from the other schools and for me to meet everyone!

This week we welcome Stephanie Slatyer to our school. Steph will be spending the rest of the term at the school for her teaching rounds as a third year education student. Steph will be involved in most aspects of school activities but is focussed on literacy and numeracy teaching.

Last Wednesday we had a visit from Sharon from Responsible Pet ownership. Sharon brought along her beautiful beagle Chester to teach us the safe way to approach a dog as well as looking after any pet.

In our literacy sessions this week we have continued to read daily and looking at some interesting sentences and words in our texts and sharing them. This is a great way to improve our interest in texts, consolidate our retelling skills and give ideas to all students to improve their own writing.

In numeracy we are working with number lines while playing the card game make 10. Ask your child to show you how to play!

We had no internet at the school on Monday or Tuesday due to a faulty cable so we haven’t completed any Reading Eggs or Sumdog tasks this week so far.

Tomorrow we have an online video conference conducted by the Australian Portrait museum in Canberra about what makes a great portrait. This is part of our current Art focus of Pop Art... Andy Warhol type painting.

DATES TO REMEMBER

MAY
Wednesday 27th & Thursday 28th
Parent Teacher interviews.

JUNE
Monday 1st June
SCHOOL PHOTO DAY
Wednesday 3rd June
Conveyance Allowance Forms due
Thursday 4th June
Book Club Orders Due
Monday 8th June
Queen’s Birthday Holiday
Tuesday 16th June
School Council
Friday 26th—Last Day Term 2, 2015

Next Monday is School Photo day. Please ensure that all students have full school uniform and that all forms and money are returned as soon as possible.

Have a great week.

Thanks, Joe Sebire (Principal)

BOOKCLUB

Bookclub order forms were sent home last week with the newsletter. Order are due back by Thursday 4th June.

ATTACHMENTS

⇒ CSEF Application Form
Hello everyone,

In Literacy we continue to build our reading stamina by reading EVERY DAY. We encourage the Junior Students to read to an adult, older sibling, puppy, cat or chickens at every opportunity at home to increase their love of reading.

Writing has seen us explore comics and speech/thought bubbles with the students creating some exciting work. We will extend upon this in the coming weeks using the Toontastic App on the iPads to create our own comics! In the meantime we must prepare our Persuasive Letter to Mr Sebire to see if he is willing to provide the students with something they really, really, really want at the school, please, please, please!

Our Numeracy extension is allowing us to explore ordering, length, heavy and light while continuing to practice counting on, skip counting, 10 frame and before/after numbers. We also encourage the students to practice counting at home which can be done out loud or written down on a scrap of paper.

All the students are to be commended on the way they performed and had fun at the recent Cluster Athletics, it was a fantastic day.

Well done Redesdale-Mia Mia P.S.!

THE IMPORTANCE OF BREAKFAST

More than 40% of children miss breakfast at least one school day a week. While 8% of children never eat breakfast, an MBF Healthwatch survey found that 58% never miss it. “Research shows that skipping breakfast results in reduced learning, reduced attention and poor food choices for the rest of the day,” said Dr Christine Bennett, Chief Medical Officer of BUPAustralia. “The importance of making time for children to enjoy a healthy breakfast before going to school cannot be overstated,” Dr Bennett said.
SAUSAGE SIZZLE ROSTER

The Sausage Sizzle is every Wednesday.

Prices per student are as follows:
1 sausage in bread + drink + fruit = $3.00
2 sausages in bread + drink + fruit = $4.00

Please contact the school if you can provide fruit for any of the weeks. The students really enjoy the Sausage Sizzle and help from families is very much appreciated.

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HEAD LICE FACTS:
(The things you’re not being told!)
Head lice treatment do not kill eggs! WHICH MEANS: Remaining eggs will still hatch after treatment occurs.
Lice from hatched eggs can mature enough in 7 days to lay eggs. To avoid this happening treat again in 6 days (not 7 as treatments indicate!)
Eggs can take up to 10 days to hatch! WHICH MEANS: Eggs are still hatching after second treatment. You need to treat the child’s hair till they are clear, not by the label!
Conditioner/comb method is very effective (especially when used with a “KP24” comb) Even if you are not using this method to treat it is handy to use it on all members of the family to establish who needs to be treated before tackling the Head lice “cycle”

PLEASE CHECK YOUR CHILD’S HAIR AS THE SCHOOL HAS HAD A REPORTED CASE OF HEAD LICE

SCHOOL PHOTOS

Individually Named School Photo forms were sent home last week attached to the back of the school newsletter. Please return forms by PHOTO DAY which is Monday 1st June if you wish to order photos. Sibling and spare photo forms are available from the office.

NEW GOVT FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE

Camps, Sports and Excursions Fund (CSEF) is a new initiative of the Victorian Government to assist eligible families with the cost of school-organised programs. Attached to the newsletter today is a CSEF application form. If you think you may be eligible please complete and return the form to school by 26th June 2015.

Primary School Students are entitled to $125 per student.

Please refer to the back page of the newsletter for further information or speak to Dianne in the office. Alternatively more information is available on the CSEF website at www.education.vic.gov.au/csef
Athletics day

On Friday it was athletics day.

Redesdale Mia Mia primary school was competing the athletics day with 4 other schools and we all did a fantastic job. The athletics day was great fun for everyone. We all competed in 6 events and the results were absolutely amazing!!! The grade 5 and 6s did the 400m run with other schools and did very well. The events were the meter run, Discus, long jump, Relays, Sprints, and shot put. Everyone did an absolutely fantastic job. It was a very enthusiastic day for everyone. We all went very well at the athletics day. It was an amazing day for absolutely everyone!!!!

By Chelsea Smith
About
The Kids Growing Food Network is an informal group of teachers, educators and parents interested in gardening within early childhood services and schools.
Network membership is open to all schools and early childhood services.

When
Meetings are held bi-monthly on a Wednesday night from 4.00pm - 5.00pm

Where
Meetings are rotated between service/school gardens throughout Greater Bendigo

Contact
Healthy Together Bendigo
E healthytogether@bendigo.vic.gov.au  T 03 5434 6000

Next meeting: Wednesday 17 June from 4.00 - 5.00pm
At Bendigo Violet Street Primary School, meet at the garden off Nettle Street

SCHOOL PHOTO DAY IS COMING

SCHOOLPIX will be visiting us on Monday 1st June...

PHOTO DAY TIPS:

Dress: Clean and tidy as per school uniform guidelines

Hair: Neat and swept off face

Manual Orders: Complete your order form and return with payment to school on photography day

Online Orders: To pre-order online, take your personal Order and ID Numbers found on your order form and go to www.schoolpix.com.au. Orders can be placed online up to 2 working days after photography. You do not need to return the order form if you order online.

Sibling Orders: For a special photo of your children together, collect a Sibling Order Envelope from the office and return it on photography day. Alternatively Order Online by noon on the working day before photography.

Remember: All orders placed online will receive a free 20cm x 25cm black and white portrait print.

PO Box 5222, Hallam VIC 3803
Ph: 1300 790 055
Email: info@schoolpix.com.au
Camps, Sports & Excursions Fund (CSEF)

Every Victorian child should have access to the world of learning opportunities that exist beyond the classroom. The Camps, Sports and Excursions Fund will ensure that no student will miss out on the opportunity to join their classmates for important, educational and fun activities.

School camps provide children with inspiring experiences in the great outdoors, excursions encourage a deeper understanding of how the world works and sports teach teamwork, discipline and leadership. All are part of a healthy curriculum.

CSEF will be provided by the Victorian Government to assist eligible families to cover the costs of school trips, camps and sporting activities.

If you hold a valid means-tested concession card or are a temporary foster parent, you may be eligible for CSEF. The allowance will be paid to the school to use towards expenses relating to camps, excursions, or sporting activities for the benefit of your child.

The annual CSEF amount per student will be:

- $125 for primary school students
- $225 for secondary school students.

How to Apply
Contact the school office to obtain a CSEF application form or download from www.education.vic.gov.au/csef

Closing Date
You should lodge a CSEF application form at the school by 26 June 2015.

For more information about the CSEF visit www.education.vic.gov.au/csef