FROM THE ACTING PRINCIPAL

Emergency Management: This week we have the lock down procedures attached to the newsletter. A lockdown could be used in an intruder situation or in the case of a bush fire threat. It is important for parents to understand that in a lockdown situation the school would let you know of our situation via S.M.S. However, it is not a good idea to then come to the school to collect your child. Lockdown means that no one is to be let out or in and consequently you are putting yourself and your child in danger if you come to the school in a lockdown. Please see the lockdown procedures attached to the newsletter.

Zoo: We had a great day last Friday at the Zoo. Everyone was very excited to see the animals and to learn information from the Zoo keepers. I was personally very proud of our students who behaved extremely well and waited patiently, often showing other children how it should be done. Well done children!

Healthy Eating: Friday is Healthy Eating Breakfast and Pyjama day, starting at 9:00am. Everyone is welcome, please let us know by this evening so we can cater for it. The one dollar collected for Pyjama Day will go to camps and excursions and is an initiative of our S.R.C.

Cluster Day: Cluster Day has been cancelled for this term, which is a shame as we look forward to touching base with our friends. At this point we hope to have a Cluster Day next term and we hope to have good notice of when it will be.

EnviroDay: On Friday the 28th of March we are having our EnviroDay. With the weather, hopefully cooler, we will be heading down to the Environmental Centre and doing some maintenance work, weeding and topping up our paths. We are planning to hold a ‘Kids Teaching Kids’ event in Term 3 where our students will be teaching other students about our wetland, forest and work on our proposed desert area.

Rotary Ride: Today the Rotary Ride Team visited our school. The children also met Harold Giraffe from the Life Education van and talked with exchange students from Finland, Thailand and Austria.

Ride 2 School: Next Thursday we are having our ‘Ride 2 School’ event. All students will be participating in Ride 2 school by going on a bike ride. We are riding up the main road to the Agnes Munford Hall and then around the track on the outside of the oval before coming back via the dirt road. If you would like to join us, you are more than welcome. A car will be at the rear of the group with hazard lights on, and staff riding at the head and in the bunch.

Art: The children are making dioramas of animal enclosures. Please send any boxes around A4 size, if you have them.

DATES TO REMEMBER

MARCH
Thursday, 13th
WaterWatch Incursion
JIGSAW with Alison

Friday, 14th
Healthy Eating Day
PJ Day—$1.00 to wear pyjamas to school

Monday, 17th
AASC—Basketball
Tuesday, 18th
Due date for Book Club #2 Orders/Payment
AASC—Skateboarding

Thursday, 20th
Ride 2 School Day

Wednesday, 26th
School Council—6:00pm

Thursday, 27th
JIGSAW with Alison

Friday, 28th
EnviroDay

ATTACHMENTS
⇒Receipts for some families
 ⇒ Lockdown Procedures

Easter Bonnet: We are helping the Redesdale Fire Brigade with their entry in the Bendigo Easter Fair. This is the huge Easter Bonnet sitting in the foyer. If you know how to make paper flowers and are interested in teaching some students how, we would love to hear from you. The bonnet needs to have paper flowers to decorate it.

Congratulations: James and his partner Hayley are the proud parents of Ruby Shae, born last Wednesday. James will be back at school tomorrow.

Thanks,
Sally Gill, Acting Principal.
**THANK YOU**

- To Rick Blake for cooking the sausages and Sonia Vescovi for providing the fruit for the Sausage Sizzle this week.
- To Jodi Brophy for collating the newsletter.

**BOOK CLUB**

Book Club orders along with payment are due back at school by Tuesday, March 18th. Payments can also be done online on the Scholastic website: http://parentpayments.scholastic.com.au/. If paying this way, orders still need to be returned to school. Thanks.

**SAUSAGE SIZZLE**

The Sausage Sizzle is every Wednesday. Students can purchase a barbeque lunch for $3.00 (sausage in bread, drink and fruit). Extra sausages can be purchased for $1.00 each. There is no option to not have fruit or a drink.

**Prices per student are as follows:**

- 1 sausage in bread + drink + fruit = $3.00
- 2 sausages in bread + drink + fruit = $4.00

**WEDNESDAY:**

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All proceeds from the Sausage Sizzle subsidise the cost of excursions. Thank you everyone.

**FAMILY PORTRAIT FUNDRAISER**

The School Council have organised for Aver & Line to come again and take family portraits on Saturday, May 17th. These will cost $15.00 per session—what a bargain! This is a great opportunity to get a family portrait at a very reasonable price and support the school at the same time.

Information is on the back page. Please contact the school if you would like to know more.

**HEATHCOTE JUNIOR FOOTBALL NETBALL CLUB INC.**

Desperately seeking players for U12 and U16 Netball.

If you or someone you know is interested please contact Kay 0412 476 177

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**FARM HANDS**

Isy and Tim are looking after Roast and the chickens. Thanks heaps!

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Redesdale Mia Mia Primary is Fundraising!

The fundraiser is on: Saturday 17th of May
Outdoors sessions will be held at Redesdale-Mia Mia Primary School in Redesdale
Bookings close Tuesday 29th of April

To Book: Pre-pay your $15 in a labeled envelope,
then select a time on the schedule in the entry area
Please contact the school on 5425 3155 with any questions.