FROM THE ACTING PRINCIPAL

Ride 2 School: Thursday was ‘Ride 2 School Day’ and we had a fabulous ride up to the hall and back. Interestingly, the feedback from the children was very positive and included comments of feeling free and independent. None of our students had ridden on the road before and had a huge sense of achievement when they arrived back at school. Programs such as this assist our students to be engaged in their learning and give them real-life events to write about. It was also really great to have some parent supporters both riding with us and cheering us on.

Enviroday: Friday is Enviroday. Gumboots and old clothing may be worn to school as we will be working in the Environmental Centre. Parents are welcome at any time throughout the day and we hope the weather is fine!

Reading: A number of students have reached 25 reading nights. Reading at home is how we choose to fulfil our homework requirements at Redesdale-Mia Mia P.S. We believe that learning to read for life is a life skill that will encourage your child to be a lifelong learner. Reading and relaxing and opening themselves to all of the knowledge in the world will really open up the world for your children. Please take time to read and enjoy something with your child this week.

Congratulations to: Tianna 45, Kofi 45, Isy 40, Jorja 35, Lachlan M 34, Reegan 32, Mia 30, Bryce 26, Chelsey P 25! Well done guys on a great effort, continue reading!!

School Council: Tonight is School Council and our extra ordinary meeting gets underway at 6:00pm.

Easter Hat: The Easter bonnet to be worn by the Redesdale Fire Truck, is being created in the foyer. All of the children have been involved and Mrs. Mertens has worked really hard! We are ready to paint it!

DATES TO REMEMBER

MARCH
Wednesday, 26th
School Council—6:00pm

Thursday, 27th
JIGSAW with Alison

Friday, 28th
EnviroDay

APRIL
Friday, 4th
Last of day of Term 1—2:30pm dismissal

Saturday, 19th
Bendigo Torchlight Procession—featuring our Easter Bonnet on the Redesdale CFA truck

Tuesday, 22nd
First Day of Term 2.

Friday, 25th
ANZAC DAY PUBLIC HOLIDAY

ATTACHMENTS

⇒ Receipts for some families
⇒ Shelter in Place Procedures

AASC: Yesterday was the last session of Active After School for this term. The children have enjoyed learning new skills in basketball and skate boarding. Some photos are included on the back page.

Book Fair: This is advance notice for a School Book Fair to be held during the week, May 19th—23rd. Please make a note of this in your diary and more information will be available after the holidays.

Thanks,
Sally Gill, Acting Principal.
**WEEKLY AWARDS**

- **Principal’s Award**: Isy for her leadership in the class.
- **Student Award**: Connor for his excellent effort on his story.

**THANK YOU**
- To Jodi Brophy for cooking the sausages and Lisa Smith for providing the fruit for the Sausage Sizzle this week.
- To Jodi Brophy for collating the newsletter.

**SRC REPORT**

On the 14th of March we had a healthy eating/Pj day. We wore our pj’s to school and for breakfast we had French toast, Weetbix, ricotta pancakes and muesli. We loved it. We raised $32 for camps and excursions. Next term we are having a Pet Day and the money will go towards Guide Dogs Victoria. Please see the attached poster.

**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.

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**WEDNESDAY:**

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The roster for Term 2 is due. The ‘invitation to help’ roster was attached to the newsletter last week. If you are able to assist, please fill out the roster and return it to school by Monday, March 31st. The Term 2 roster will be distributed that week. Thank you in anticipation.

The children look forward to the Sausage Sizzle every Wednesday and it can only continue with help from the school community.

All proceeds from the Sausage Sizzle subsidise the cost of excursions. *Thank you for your support everyone.*

**FAMILY PORTRAIT FUNDRAISER**

The School Council have organised for Aver & Line to come again and take family portraits on Saturday, May 17th. Please highlight the date on your calendar. The cost is $15.00 per session and includes a 20 minute portrait session, a 20 minute viewing session straight after, an 8”x12” print, a glass bottle frame + print, a complimentary retouching, option to purchase the best value packages and lowest cost options.

This is a great opportunity to get a family portrait at a very reasonable price and support the school at the same time.

Bookings are now being taken. Once the $15 fee is paid, an appointment time can be arranged with Joyce in the office. Sessions start at 8:40am and finish at 5:20pm.

As soon as brochures arrive we will distribute them to you so you can ask your friends and extended family.

**THIS WEEK’S VIPs**

This week’s V.I.P.’s are Nick and Mitchell, thank you boys!

**FARM HANDS**

Reegan and Jorja are this weeks farm hands and they are doing a great job!
Guide Dogs Victoria

In Term 2 we are having a pet day to raise money for Guide Dogs Victoria.

It is $1 per category.

The categories are: Smallest Animal, The Fastest, Biggest, Most Obedient, Craziest Pet, Loudest, Happiest and The Cutest.

P.S. The animals must be alive!!!
Active After School Communities
Emergency Management Plan for Redesdale Mia Mia P.S.

15. Shelter-in-place procedures

The following Shelter-in-place procedure will be considered when an event takes place outside of the school and emergency services determine the safest course of action is to keep students and staff inside a designated building in the school until the external event is handled.

If a shelter-in-place action is determined:

- Incident Controller activates the Incident Management Team.
- Move all students, staff and visitors to the pre-determined shelter-in-place area.
- Obtain emergency kit.
- Notify parents if the shelter-in-place is going to extend beyond the school day
- Advise SSU (24hour, 7 days) on 9589 6266.
- Advise the Manager, Operations and Emergency Management at the region.
Redesdale Mia Mia Primary School is Fundraising!

The fundraiser is on: Saturday 17th of May
Outdoors sessions will be held at Redesdale Mia Mia Primary School
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 with any questions.

How does unhealthy BODY IMAGE affect adolescents and young people?

You are invited to the
Macedon Ranges Parent & Community Forum
on BODY IMAGE

Mission Australia’s 2013 Youth Survey of 14,461 young people aged between 15-19 found that body image was one of the top three issues of personal concern for young people

Lead by a panel of local professionals, this forum explores how unhealthy body image affects the mental and physical health and day to day functioning of young people

Date: Monday 31st March 2014
Time: 6.30 – 8.30pm
Cost: Gold coin donation
Venue: Kyneton Mechanics Hall
Supper Provided

Please RSVP Mez by Wednesday 26th March 2014 on 5421 1680
or via email – merilyn.lanigan@cobaw.org.au