



Rand Public School

NEWSLETTER

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Week 9, Term 3

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Dates to Remember:

- Yr 5/6 Howman's Gap—19th - 21st Oct

Notes Due in:

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Principal's Message

Today we say farewell to Mrs Copeland.

Thank you Jennifer for coming to Rand Public School every Thursday and maintaining students' usual Thursday program. We have appreciated your presence and the lovely activities you have provided each week in Maths and COGS. I know you will be missed.

Tracey Southam



Urana Shire Council Meeting and BBQ

Thank you Kirsty for assisting with driving students to Urana on Tuesday. Primary students had a great day, especially the BBQ and having the chance to socialise with other schools.

Urana Shire Council Competition Results

The winners of the Urana Shire Council Local Government Week competitions were: Blake, Abbey, Ella and Rose. These students received a certificate and \$10.00. Congratulations.

Reminders

* **Cooking—\$2.00**

Don't forget to send in your Woolworths dockets for the Earn and Learn program.

Promotion ends 18th October.

SRC Events

To raise money for the Koala Foundation, students plan to have a Footy Colours Day on Friday 23rd September. Children may wear their favourite footy colours to school and bring a gold coin donation.

Events for Term 4 will be an ice-cream day and a "work day" (come dressed in what you want to be when you grow up).

Volunteers Needed for Playground Painting

As previously mentioned, I plan to start our playground concrete markings during the holiday break. If you have a spare hour or two over the holidays (and the weather is looking good) I'd love a hand!

Friday 23rd Sept—3.15pm—concrete etching (should take about 1½ hours)

Monday 26th Sept—9.00am—first coat of paint and then a recoat four hours later.

Wednesday 28th Sept—12 noon—concrete sealing (approx 2 hours)

Creative Catchment Project Day—Friday 23rd September

Over the coming week Ella and Georgia will be organising information for the notice board at the Tourist Information corner in Rand. On Friday 23rd, after recess, we plan to spend time planting, painting and placing information at the corner. Please join us if you are able. Thank you to Angus McNeil who is organising new Perspex covers for the notice board.

NAPLAN Results

NAPLAN results for students in Years 3 and 5 will be sent home today.

Kitchen Garden News

Students will be making orange pikelets and Garlic Fire Spray (non toxic garden pest control) this week. Bring a sandwich if you don't think you will like it (the pikelets that is ☺).

Please remember to bring your \$2.00 if you have not paid for the term.

For Sale

We have the following produce for sale:

- Eggs—\$3.00 per dozen
- Spinach—\$2.00 per bunch
- Parsley—\$2.00 per bunch

In the Classroom

Students have been designing their own cereal with a target audience in mind. They have been creating their own cereal boxes with a brand name and cereal name and conducting taste tests.

One eye opening activity they have done was to measure the sugar content of leading cereals (per 100g) and been amazed at the amount of sugar in each serve. Some popular cereals are 30—50% sugar.

Woolworths Earn & Learn Program

The Earn and Learn program has been extended until 18th October so keep collecting you docket. If you have any dockets at home, please send them in for processing. *We have a box at school, the registers at Corowa Safeway and the Rand Post Office.*

We have earned 1322 points to date which will allow us to receive some good resources.

Thank you Leanne for offering to enter another pile of dockets onto the website.

Would You Like a Pleasant Surprise?

In the foyer are students' recounts of their Beechworth excursion. Please compare your child's work with their recounts of "The Rock" from Term 1 which are also in the foyer. I guarantee you will be surprised at the progress your child has made this year in writing.

News Roster—Week 10

Mon—Ella, Tues—Georgia, Kali, Fri—Rose, Corey.

Student of the Week

Abbey has been selected Student of the Week for a great improvement in writing.

I like to cook: pizza with my Nan and Mum.

How I help at home: I look after Bree and I wash up.

What I want to be when I grow up: I want to join the SES.

Best thing about school: Doing my handwriting.

Bookwork Award

The students selected Chloe and Blake this week. They thought they both had beautifully presented book work.



TERM CALENDAR

Date	Event
Fri 23rd Sept	SRC Footy Colours Day—Gold Coin Donation. Creative Catchment Project Day Year 5/6—11.30am. Last Day Term 3
Mon 10th Oct	Students and Staff Return to school.
Wed 12th Oct	P&C Meeting—3.15pm—to be confirmed
Fri 14th Oct	Principals Network Meeting—9.00am
19th—21st Oct	Yr 5/6 Howmans Gap Excursion

Orange Pikelets

Ingredients

1 cup Self raising Flour—sifted	1/2 cup milk
4 tabbsp Castor Sugar	2 eggs lightly beaten
Pinch Bicarb Soda	1/4 cup orange juice
Pinch salt	rind of one orange—optional

Method

Place all dry ingredients in a bowl making a well in the centre. Add eggs and milk and stir until combined. Add juice and rind. Stir. Heat a non-stick frypan over medium heat and brush with a little melted butter. Drop level tablespoonfuls of the mixture into the pan and cook until bubbles appear on the surface. Turn over and cook other side until golden. When cool spread butter.

Garlic Fire Spray

Ingredients

- 2-3 garlic bulbs (about 6—10 cloves per bulb)
- 6 large (or 12 smaller) hot chilli peppers or 1-2 tablespoons hot chilli powder
- 1 tablespoon vegetable oil
- 1 dessertspoon liquid detergent
- 7 cups water

Method

Put 2—3 cups water in blender with all other ingredients and vitamise well. Add remaining water and mix. Strain through muslin. Pour what is needed into a spray bottle and keep rest in a jar with the lid on. Label well.

Respray every three days until there is no sign of pests, then every week to 10 days. If this mix does not solve your problem, reduce water or change ingredient quantity.

Reading with School Age Children

- Don't make story time a reading lesson—it is a time for sharing, relaxing and fun.
- Don't expect too much too soon when your children are learning to read stories for themselves. It takes a long time after children can read before they read well enough to really enjoy the stories they are reading. They will need you to read stories to them long after they can read for themselves—and there is something special about having stories read to you at any age.
- Allow your children to choose books they like to read, even if they are not your choice.
- Help children find books about their interests, for example, if they love dogs, cars or dinosaurs, look for books on these topics.
- Beginning book readers need books with simple words for success and enjoyment. Books that are too hard can put them off.
- All children are different. One child might not enjoy the same books as an older brother or sister did at the same age, or be at the same reading level as another child.
- Don't worry if your children like comics as they get older—it is all part of reading. Once they are confident readers they are likely to want to move on to reading different things.
- Many children (and adults) like to return to old favourites from time to time, even when they can read much more difficult stories. This can also happen if children are unwell or unhappy because familiar loved stories can help them to regain a sense of security and wellbeing.

Community News

Talk on Perceptual Dyslexia /Irlen Syndrome

Gloria Thomas from the Irlen Dyslexia Centre Melbourne, will be in Jindera at the St John's Hall meeting room on Wednesday October 6th from 7.00-8.00.

If you have a child or know an adult who has reading difficulties come along to this evening where some of your questions may find answers to the puzzle.

Where: Meeting room, St John's School hall, 154 Adams St, Jindera

When: Wednesday Oct 6th 7.00-8.00

Enquiries: Jenny O'Neill 0438263417

What is Irlen Syndrome?

Essentially, it is a specific sensitivity of the visual system to certain frequencies within the white light spectrum and is a form of Dyslexia.

Individuals with Irlen Syndrome see the printed page differently from those with normal vision and must constantly adapt to distortions appearing on the page.

The patented treatment method uses specially formulated coloured overlays or Irlen Spectral filters, worn as glasses, to reduce or eliminate perception difficulties.



WALBUNDRIE CENTENARY SHOW

Reminder to ALL exhibitors

All Pavilion entries should be entered to the Secretary by Friday 30th September.

ALL show exhibits to be in place by 8.30am on Show morning as judging will be commencing at 8.45am Sharp

Exhibits will be received Sunday Between 3-4pm in Pavilions.

As it is our Centenary Show the committee would appreciate anyone in the community, who is not already assisting in some way if they could spare an hour or two to help with extra jobs on the day.

Please contact the Secretary on 60290130.