



Rand Public School

NEWSLETTER



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Week 5 Term 4

6th November 2014

Reminders

- Yr 6 Canberra Payment

Notes Due in:

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Dates to Remember:

- Remembrance Day—
11/11/14

Principal's Message

Dear Parents,

On Tuesday Mrs Morey and I attended Strategic Financial Management training. The day allowed us to develop a strategic focus in managing school financial resources which will align with our new school plan and have a direct link to improving student learning outcomes. We were able to:

- identify financial implications within the strategic directions of the school plan;
- build and manage a school-based budget linked to student learning outcomes for which the Principal will be accountable;
- read and understand the new Resource Allocation Model to assess current school financial health; and
- forecast future financial performance for the current and future years.

Understandably, Tuesday was a heavy going yet highly rewarding day and I thank Mrs Morey for her attendance as we were able to work closely to ensure the needs of our students and staff would be met for 2015 and beyond.

There are a number of administrative tasks that need to be completed this term, they include: planning the school's finances for 2015, as well as developing a comprehensive school plan for 2015-2017; writing the Annual School Report; preparing a Bushfire Emergency Management Plan; writing students' end of year reports and Presentation Night preparation. Consequently I will be taking more office days this term than normal.

Finally, Mrs Rose is taking Long Service Leave for the next three weeks and will return on December 1st – in time to be in the midst of concert practise and report writing! We hope she enjoys her well-deserved time off!

Tracey Southam

Remembrance Day

All students in K-6 will walk to the Rand cenotaph at 10.55am on Tuesday 11th November. Children are to wear their full school uniform. Donations of flowers to make a wreath would be appreciated (if you have any in your garden).

Raffle—Presentation Night

Thank you to those families who have donated goods for our

presentation night raffle. We have received some bon bons, rolled oats, olives, CousCous, pop corn and various other items. We are asking families to donate an item, or two, to put in our hamper. We would appreciate non-perishable items such as canned or packaged foods (which will not be past or near their use by date). Other items could be Christmas decorations or anything we use in our day-to-day life like hand soap, paper towel etc. Please drop items in to the office.

Year 6 Canberra Excursion

We hope Stevie and Mitchell enjoy their excursion to Canberra next week with year 5/6 students from the Walbundrie Small Schools Network. They will be leaving on Wednesday and returning Friday.

Cooking

Students will be making Muesli Slice tomorrow with Cathy. Please remember your **\$2.00** payment.

A reminder cooking will be for recess so children will need to bring their lunch as normal.

3 Wishes for Education

If you have not returned your orange 3 Wishes for Education sheet please do so tomorrow. We value your opinion.

Remembrance Day Poppy Sale

We have Remembrance Day poppies for sale at the office for \$2.00 if anyone wishes to purchase one. Poppies and badges (\$5.00) also available from Bill.

Book Learning Award

Students chose Ed because; it was very neat, always good spelling test results, his letters are the right size and well formed.

Lucky Draw Award

Jazmine received the award this week for being ready to learn.

Student of the Week

Flynn was chosen Student of the Week for using reading strategies to decode words in more challenging texts.

Best memory about school so far is...playing cricket

Something important your parents have taught you...sounding out words

What are you good at? netball

A good friend is someone who...is kind

What makes you smile? Playing board games.

HELPERS NEEDED!

Term 4 Cooking Roster

I _____ am able to assist students cooking on the following dates (please tick box):

Friday 7th November—Cathy

Friday 14th November—Angie

Friday 21st November—Angie

Friday 28th November—

Signed _____

Date _____

Term Calendar

Date	Event
Tuesday 11th November	Remembrance Day
Wed 12—Fri 14 November	Yr 6 Canberra Excursion
Friday 14th November	Principals Meeting—Wagga
Tuesday 18th November	P&C Meeting
Friday 21st November	Assembly

Muesli Slice

Ingredients

50g butter
110g (1/2 cup) raw sugar
60ml (1/4 cup) honey
200g pepitas (pumpkin seeds)
1 Sanitarium Weet-bix, crushed
90g (1/2 cup) sultanas
50g (1/2 cup) rolled oats
75g (1/2 cup) self-raising flour



Method

Preheat oven to 170°C. Line a 20cm (base measurement) square cake pan with non-stick baking paper. Place the butter, sugar and honey in a saucepan over medium-low heat. Cook, stirring, for 2-3 minutes or until the mixture is smooth and the sugar has dissolved. Set aside to cool slightly.

Combine the pepitas, Weet-bix, sultanas, oats and flour in a large bowl. Add the butter mixture and stir until combined.

Spoon the mixture into the lined pan and use the back of a spoon to smooth the surface. Bake in oven for 25 minutes or until golden. Set aside in the pan for 30 minutes to cool completely. Cut into slices to serve.

Makes 15 squares.