

Newsletter

Dates for your Diary

August	
Thursday 23 rd	Combined Sport Day - Burrumbuttock
Friday 24 th	Bernie O'Connor Football/Netball – Yerong Creek
Friday 31 st August	Riverina Athletics Carnival Premiers Reading Challenge Closes



Premiers Reading Challenge

Premiers reading challenge closes on Friday 31st August. Please ensure your reading record has been finalised by this date.

Combined Walbundrie Small Schools Sport

We hosted the first of two Walbundrie of Small Schools Combined Sport Days last week. This is ran in conjunction with the Bernie O'Connor carnival training which will enable our netball and football teams to train together.

K-2 students are participating in a range of sporting activities at the combined sport days. A great opportunity for both motor skill and social development.

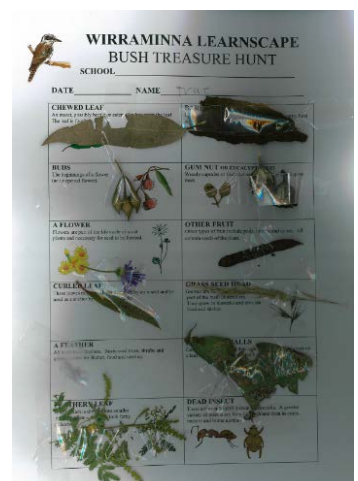
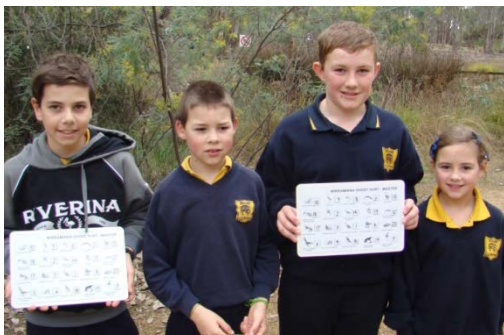
The second day will be held at Burrumbuttock on Thursday 23rd August and the Bernie O'Connor Carnival will be on Friday 24th August.

A mouthguard is required for all students who will be playing football.

Class News

Wirraminna Excursion

As part of our Geography unit this term students visited the Wirraminna Environmental Education Centre on Friday. The day was jam packed with hands on activities including an animal ghost hunt, bush treasure hunt and exploration of the native plants on the Wirraminna grounds. This day complements our learning back at school and has ignited the students' interest in the ways native plants can be used for a range of purposes. Thank you to both Corowa Landcare and Wirraminna for this wonderful opportunity.

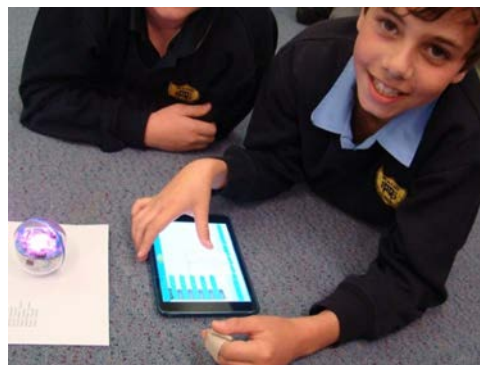


Maths Enrichment Day

On Wednesday our school hosted the second round of our collaboration work with students from Brocklesby Public School. We continued our focus on the area of Position from the NSW Mathematics Syllabus content and outcomes.

Students in the primary classes extended their knowledge, understanding and skill in using a compass and coordinate points to locate specific objects. They also applied their understanding to draw pictures using co-ordinates. The Spheros were used by the students to accurately direct the movement of the Sphero using codes.

It was also an opportunity for our teachers to conduct teaching observations. Teachers from both Brocklesby and Rand observed each other's teaching practices. Feedback was given on teaching practice and areas of strength and areas for improvement were identified. We will be continuing to work with other teachers across our Walbundrie Network of Small Schools to ensure that we maintain and strive for excellence in teaching and learning.



Football/Netball Carnival

The staff and students at Rand Public School would like to thank all of the volunteers who assisted our P&C with the Football/Netball carnival on Sunday 5th August. Without your help the carnival would not be the success it is. Thank you.

Drought Relief Fundraising Activities

We are looking for some parent volunteers who can help our SRC organise activities to raise money to help Aussie farmers in this period of drought. The SRC are looking at ways that our school community can support and donate money to the relevant charities. The SRC will decide on their chosen charity in the near future.

If you are interested and can volunteer some time please contact Mrs Sayasenh. We hope to organise an activity this term.

Year 5/6 Canberra Excursion

Students in Year 5/6 from the Walbundrie Small Schools Network will be undertaking an education tour of the national capital from Wednesday 28th to Friday 30th November 2018. Students will be given the opportunity to participate in a variety of education programs with a focus on Australia's history, culture, heritage and democracy. It is estimated this excursion will cost \$300.00 per student.

The Australian Government recognises the importance of all young Australians being able to visit the national capital as part of their Civics and Citizenship education. To assist families in meeting the cost of the excursion the Australian Government is contributing funding of \$20.00 per student under the Parliament and Civics Education Rebate (PACER) program toward the cost. This rebate is paid directly to the school upon completion of the excursion.

Parents are welcome to start a payment plan to suit your needs so you don't have to pay the whole amount at once. Final payment is due on Friday 16th November 2018. Further information to come.

Learning Awards

Toby – For his funny poems using rhyming words.

Beth – Her imaginative contributions to writing and improved ready fluency.

