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**Principal’s Page**

**Parent Surveys**
It is important for the school that we receive accurate feedback about how the school is travelling. With many different programs introduced in recent years, it is crucial that parents who have been randomly selected to provide feedback via the survey do so. Your child will enjoy a treat from the school and you will be doing Rangebank a favour.

**Educational benefits do not cost the earth**
There is quite a difference between some government schools and private schools whether they are independent, catholic or another faith school in their funding. Although government schools often receive less in total funding than non-government schools, our schools are often judged with the same criteria. When parents come for the ‘school tour’, it is important to look past the outward appearance as the newspaper article from the Herald-Sun suggests on our page 3.

Below is the letter we heard read out to us all by Dr Arun Sharma from the Secretary General of the United Nations for Nelson Mandela Day.

**UNITED NATIONS**
**THE SECRETARY-GENERAL**

--MESSAGE ON NELSON MANDELA DAY

18 July 2014

Last year, the world lost one of its greatest leaders when Nelson Mandela passed away. We remember his legacy especially on his birthday, the 18th of July.

Nelson Mandela and the United Nations had a strong history together. Shortly after he was released from prison, he came to our Headquarters. It was a moment of great excitement.

Nelson Mandela’s presence in the General Assembly Hall proved that United Nations resolutions, sanctions and solidarity can win over violence and injustice. His extraordinary compassion after 27 years in prison showed that human rights and equality are stronger than discrimination and hate. On that day in 1990, he said people would always be challenged by the fact that, quote, “it took as long as it has before all of us stood up to say enough is enough.” The room burst into applause.

Apartheid is gone – thanks to Nelson Mandela, countless other individuals and the proud actions of the United Nations. But our planet and its people still face terrible threats -- poverty, discrimination, climate change, conflict and more. Nelson Mandela Day is a call to action. Each of us can celebrate this Day by helping to address real problems in our communities. Together we can give great meaning to our celebration by paving the way for a better future.

Colin Avery, Principal of a great school
Thursday 14th August
Curriculum Day – No students To Attend School

Friday 5th September
Fathers Day Breakfast & Stall
More information in coming weeks

Wednesday 17th September
The Arts School Production for grades 3-6 at the Drum Theatre in Dandenong. Fill in form of attendance by Friday 25th July

Wednesday 15th October

Friday 24th October
Trivia Night-If you would like to volunteer to help on the night or book a table, please do so at the office

Wednesday 5-7th November
Grade 5 Camp Allembe. Three day fully catered camp. Cost $225.00. A non refundable deposit of $50 due Friday 8th August

Curriculum Day Thursday 14th August
Thursday 14th August is a Pupil Free Day
Children are not required to come to school on this day.

The staff at Rangebank will be visiting other Primary Schools on Thursday 14th August. Staff will be observing the VCOP and Big Write Program at these schools. VCOP (Vocabulary, Connectives, Openers and Punctuation) is about teaching language through which to develop children’s writing in the Big Write.

Seeing a program in action will help the staff to appreciate the structure of the program at Rangebank Primary School.

Adlib Young Performers Present
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Sat Aug 9th @ 7pm & Sun Aug 10 @ 2pm
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National Day of Mourning
Today, along with all schools across Australia, the Australian Government has declared Thursday 7 August 2014 to be a National Day of Mourning, to honour the victims of Malaysia Airlines Flight MH17. As a mark of respect and mourning to those who lost their lives, all schools were requested to fly all flags, including the Australian National Flag, at half-mast on Thursday 7 August 2014.

Parents Advice … taken from Michael Grose
Discipline is easy when children are easy. It can be downright tricky when children are difficult, have interesting personalities or who at more difficult developmental stages.
But it's with challenging kids that we need to get our discipline techniques right.
Here are 10 common mistakes I see many parents make when trying to get cooperation from their children; keep them safe or teaching them behave well.

Do any of these bloopers ring a bell?

1. Repeat yourself. If so, you are training kids to become parent-deaf. Kids learn more from respectful actions than your repeated words so talk once, twice at most, then DO something.
2. Shout to be heard. You are better off going below the noise baseline to get their attention rather than raising your voice.
3. Set limits too late. Set a limit a few weeks after new object or situation is introduced (e.g. kids get a new mobile phone, teen starts going out at night) and suddenly you are seen to be taking away a freedom. Set limits first then loosen them up later.
4. Set no limits. Boundaries, rules, expectations and standards teach kids what’s expected. Boys love them. They also like to push against them so you need a firm backbone.
5. Fail to follow through. Talk! Threaten! Nag! No way! See No. 1 above.
6. Make consequences too harsh. ‘You’re grounded for a month Mr. 6 year old’ is a tad harsh and will usually bring resentment not to mention confusion. Stick to the 3 R's of respectful, reasonable and related to the behaviour when setting consequences and you can’t go too far wrong.
7. Apply consequences when you or they are angry. When anger is in the air kids will become mad at you….if they listen at all. Calmness makes a huge difference to effectiveness at the point of discipline.
8. Mix discipline with counselling. Never mix the two as it sends mixed messages. If a child misbehaves manage that situation. If you suspect something negative is going on in their life, then deal with that at a separate time. Keep the two actions separate so they can both be effective.
9. Defer discipline to a child care centre, pre school or school. This is taking the easy way out and teaches kids that you don’t have real authority. Have the confidence to be the authority and take a lead.
10. One parent is always the bad guy. This gets wearing. Also it’s hard to have fun when you are the tough cop all the time. If you are in a two parent situation take discipline in turns. If you are parenting solo bring sparest into the act.

We’ve all made mistakes when disciplining kids. Tiredness, emotion and lack of skill can get in the way of effective discipline. But part of the evolution and growth of you as a parent involves eradicating some of your old ways, and replacing them with new, more effective, more sophisticated ways of managing yourself and your kids.

For better, more sophisticated and more effective discipline techniques visit my online parenting manual that is also known as Parenting Ideas Club. There are 1,000’s of strategies waiting to be used.

Take your FREE Trial now.
PARENTS are paying up to $25,000 for private primary schooling that offers no educational benefit, a new study has found.

A national analysis of the NAPLAN results of nearly 3000 children found Catholic and independent students have the same educational levels as their state primary peers.

The research, presented at the Australian Institute of Family Studies conference yesterday, compared grade 3 and grade 5 NAPLAN results in reading, writing, spelling, grammar and literacy.

Researcher Ian Moran, from the University of Wollongong, initially found students from both Catholic and independent schools did better across all NAPLAN areas.

But once he controlled for student background, the difference between private and public student achievement disappeared. "We found no statistically significant difference between NAPLAN performance between school sectors," he said.

In Victoria alone there are 51,000 primary school students in independent schools paying between $15,000 and $25,000 a year for tuition. There are also 110,000 children at Catholic schools paying an average of $600 a year.

Michelle Green, chief executive of Independent Schools Victoria, said the finding did not reflect the "life results of children attending independent schools".

Stephen Elder, executive director of Catholic Education, said NAPLAN results were a "one-dimensional resource".

"Catholic schools place a greater focus on other things such as spiritual and emotional development," he said.

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Canteen Roster Term 3
Friday 8/8
Janet Adams, Rebecca Halton, Jenelle Proudlock, Lisa Smith,
Loo Lawrence & Cameron Jeffs
Friday 15/8
Janet Adams, Jenelle Proudlock, Christine Willerton, Rita Jenkins &
Kerry Parson
Friday 22/8
Janet Adams, Barbara Shoesmith, Cameron Jeffs, Rebecca Halton,
& Natalie Goodman

Friday 5/9 Subway Lunch

Wednesdays Canteen Sales
Hot Food Sales
Party pies / Sausage rolls 3 for $2.00 or 80c
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THIS IS A PRE-ORDER AND MUST BE RETURNED BY TUESDAY 12th AUGUST
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Date: Friday 15th August

Name: ...........................................  Grade: ....................

Please tick
Lunch Choices
....... Pizza Muffin Chicken & Cheese $3.00
....... Pizza Muffin Ham & Cheese $3.00
....... Home Made Spaghetti Bolognaise $3.00
....... Cheeseburger (meat, cheese, lettuce, tomato sauce) $3.00

Snack Choices
....... Home Made Choc Chip Cookie $0.60
....... Custard Tart $1.20
....... Sponge Roll Cake $0.60

Drink Choices

Milk $1.50  Chocolate ........  Strawberry.......  Honeycomb.......

Juices $1.00  Apple........  Tropical.......  Orange Juice.......  Please add 20cents if you do not have your own brown bag to send

Total....................

Please place order and money in a paper bag. Limited stock is available over the counter.

Please be aware that some items may contain traces of dairy products, eggs and or nuts. If your child has allergies or intolerances please contact the canteen via the office for information on all items available.

With every $25 spent you help the school achieve a $1 Cranbourne Cash Reward that will be put towards our monthly total. Just mention our school name at the time of purchase for our school to redeem this cash reward.

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Supper Soccer Kids
S.S.K is a soccer clinic for boys & girls between the ages of 5-12 to come & learn the skills of the game in a fun & enjoyable environment.

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