Principal's Page

Dear Parents,

We are coming to the end of another term and year and I don’t know where the time goes. The children have worked tremendously hard this term and we are very proud of them all. Keep up the hard work.

In the last 2 weeks, the children have presented their Christmas Community Carols to parents. We enjoyed the wonderful singing that we have come to expect at Rangebank and every child had the chance to take part, well done all of you. Thank you to Mrs Carey and all other staff who supported this celebration on a beautiful evening. This week we had a ‘Leader In Me’ Celebration Day for the whole school and we all thoroughly enjoyed that with lots of audience participation and a symbolic tree planting of our seven habits trees. Tomorrow all children will be able to visit their new classroom and meet their teacher. Classrooms have been moved in readiness for 2017. Thank you to all the children who help with the movement of equipment to these new rooms.

Staffing News

Ms Tess Neaves has been successful in gaining a position again at Rangebank and we look forward to Ms Neaves in 2017 as a year 2 teacher, working with Mrs Monk and Mrs Cowan. Mrs Monk is reducing her days in 2017 and will be replaced on Mondays. Mrs Tregenza will be teaching four days per week in 2017 and away on Thursday’s.

Mrs Henson and Mrs Magri will be supporting grades where their teachers have scheduled days away. We are lucky to have such competent and capable assistance.

Compass

We hope that you will be able to access all the information about your child’s report. If you are having difficulty printing a report, please contact Brooke in the office for assistance.

School will re-open on Tuesday 31st January 2017 at 8:50am. On this note I would like to wish Students, Staff and Parents all a very happy Christmas and New Year.

Colin Avery, Merry Christmas
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Our motto: Dream, Believe, Strive, Achieve
Our Vision: To build a community of leaders and life-long learners.
Friday 16th December
Meet new teachers/classes–Leader in Me Special Assembly.

Monday 19th December
Last Day of School.
School Dismissed at 3:15pm.

Tuesday 20th December

Parents Advice
Giving kids responsibility is tricky. It’s easy to give responsibility to responsible kids as you’ll know that they’ll follow through. Whether it’s feeding the family pooch; setting the table for mealtimes or helping a sibling get ready for the day you only need to remind them once and the job’s done. Too easy!

But what about tricky kids – second or later born; kids with special needs or kids who are discouraged? It’s not so easy giving responsibility to kids that need extra teaching and who need to be followed up. It’s these kids that make responsibility-giving hard work, even risky for parents.

It’s a balancing act
Giving responsibility becomes a balancing act as we need to weigh up between doing a job ourselves, as it’s important to be done right, or letting kids experience the consequence of them not doing their job (the family doesn’t eat until the table is set). It’s easy to take the safe way out and fix kids’ mistakes or safer still, don’t give kids any responsibility at all.

Ask yourself this:
“What does your child do that someone else relies on?”

If the answer is zilch/zero, then I suggest it may be time to give him or her something significant to do that benefits others – hear a sibling read each day; be the trash controller; tidy the living room before mealtimes.

There’s generally no shortage of opportunities to help out – just a lack of time to make it happen and perhaps a lack of willingness to put up with the approximations in quality, as well as a child’s occasional attempts at resisting to help out.

Here are five ideas to make responsibility giving easier:

1. Change responsibilities around. If possible change chores and responsibilities around each week to avoid boredom (“This is so boring!”) and resentment (“How come I always get the rotten jobs?”).

2. Use rosters when possible. The use of a list or roster takes the onus away from you to always remind children to do their jobs - so it’s a great independence-building tool.

3. Remind, cue but don’t take responsibility. Kids can get tired and overwhelmed with busy schedules so a reminder from time to time about “Who’s turn is it to fill the dishwasher?” can make it easy for kids to be responsible, without taking the responsibility away.

4. Start by completing responsibilities with kids. If kids are new to any task then it’s smart management to spend some time doing the job with them until they get the hang of it, stepping back when you are no longer needed. That’s what working yourself out of a job is all about.

5. Let them know how you feel when they do it well. Avoid over-praising kids for helping out. Instead let kids know how their help makes you feel: happy, relieved, proud. This takes the onus away from the quality of the help and places the focus more on their contribution, which is what you are encouraging.

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For further details call: 0414 561 955.
Visit us on the web: feedmysheepfarm.com
Open Wednesday to Saturday on school holidays.

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**Rangebank Christmas Raffle**

**Tickets: 50c each or 5 for $2.00**

**Prizes: Fantastic prizes**

**Date drawn: Friday 16th December**

**Please return all money/tickets by Thursday 15th December**

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**LOST PROPERTY**

Please ensure you check the Lost property cupboard for missing garments, drink bottles, etc. It will all be disposed off if not collected before end of year.

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**MEDICATIONS**

Please collect your child’s medication/asthma inhaler, etc from the office before the end of year.

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**ASTHMA ACTION PLANS**

New 2017 Asthma Action Plans are available from the office for your child’s GP to fill in over the Xmas holidays & return to the office at the commencement of 2017.

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