This year our school is working towards making improvements to our school grounds. Over the past couple of weeks Ric with the help of students have built a wooden cart for under our school sign on the road and have erected a cast iron wheel to hold our potted herbs that were kindly donated by Mrs Maureen Halloran. We look forward in making other improvements around our school to create an inviting and enjoyable atmosphere for our students and visitors.

Red Range Public School is once again participating in the local Celtic Festival this year. Students have been working hard to learn their dance to be performed down the main street during the opening ceremony and also learn 3 songs to participate in the Combined Schools Choir. The Celtic Festival is held during Week 1 of Term 2.

Just a reminder to parents and caregivers of school children that you are responsible for ensuring your child attends school every day. Regular attendance at school is fundamental to your child’s learning.

Did you know that if a student misses as little as 8 days in a school term, by the end of primary school they will have missed over 1 year of education?

Shanelle Gunther
Relieving Principal
Primary News

Over the last few days our class have appreciated learning more about Cornwall, which is a region in the country of England. This year the Celtic Festival Committee have chosen Cornwall to be their theme during the festival. We have also enjoyed learning 3 Cornish Songs as well as a Cornish dance.

Thankyou to our parents and care givers for taking the time to listen to your children read their Home Readers and help with their Homework. You play an important part of your child’s learning with support and encouragement.

REMININDER: Home Readers can be returned each day & Homework is due in every Friday.

Infants News

This term in our class we have been focusing on descriptive writing. The students have been very imaginative, using lots of great adjectives to improve their writing. This week we created our own pirates. We gave them names and had to write a description about them.

In Science we are studying the unit School Yard Safari. We have been exploring our school in search of worms, snails and ants and have been learning lots about them. We are learning what they look like, what they eat and what they do. Did you know that Earthworms have no eyes and they breathe through their skin?

In Art the students have been creating artworks based on our Transport unit. Last week we made boats sailing on the water. This week we have been practicing our drawing skills. We had to draw a country landscape with a vehicle driving along the road.

Last week we enjoyed a visit from Happy Harold. We went on an adventure with him in his bus and learnt about healthy eating, healthy bodies and how to keep ourselves safe.

Well done to all those students who have been bringing their home readers and homework in! Just a reminder that home readers are due in on TUESDAYS and THURSDAYS and homework is due in on FRIDAYS.

Life Education Van Visit

On Wednesday 26th February our students along with the students from Wyaliba School visited the Life Education Van. The Life Education Van is the largest non-government provider of health education to children Australia wide. They provide a whole interactive experience for every student in each school. Our Infants class enjoyed going on a Mystery Tour with Harold learning about their health & safety. While our Primary class enjoyed learning strategies to make informed decisions in real life situations. All students who visited the van thoroughly enjoyed their session with Harold and the presenter Samantha Austin.
**AWARDS Week 4**

**Class Awards**

Iszac Speedy—Putting extra effort into his writing. Well Done!

Sarah-Jane Casson—Excellent results in her Maths ‘Speed Tests’.

Mitchell Darlington—Always trying his best and being a polite student.

Dakota Callister—Great effort in all activities.

**Super Spellers**

Jaimie Loeb
Marika Patterson
Dakota Callister
Chelsea Darlington
Ava Smedley
Nathan Philp

**Super Readers**

Travis Patterson
Emily Cruickshank
Alex Loeb

**DOJO Winners**

Liam Byrne
Mitchell Darlington
Amy Beale
Dakota Callister

**AWARDS Week 5**

**Class Awards**

Alex Loeb—A fantastic effort with his grammar work.

Dainaihya Speedy—Excellent effort with her alphabet.

Nathan Philp—Improved effort and attitude towards tasks.

Haylie Reynolds—Improved effort and attitude towards tasks.

**Mathletics Bronze Award**

Sarah-Jane Casson

**Super Spellers**

Ava Smedley
Dakota Callister
Jordanne Nanson

Marika Patterson
Jaimie Loeb
Emily Cruickshank
Alex Loeb

**DOJO Winners**

Alex Loeb
Sarah-Jane Casson
Marika Patterson
Life Education Van Student Recounts

On Tuesday our school went inside Happy Harold’s Van. We learnt that our brain controls our body. He threw his undies at us. - Alex Year 1

On Tuesday our school went inside Happy Harold’s Van. We learnt how to be safe and not to pick up sharp things. At the end Harold gave us stickers and he threw his undies at us. - Iszac Year 2

On Tuesday our school went inside Happy Harold’s Van. He gave us some tickets so we could get on the bus ride. It was fun to go inside. He threw his undies at us. It was funny when Harold kept ringing the doorbell. He gave us some workbooks and some stickers. I bought a pencil case. It came with a rubber, a pencil and a ruler. I was excited to go in Harold’s Van! - Sarah-Jane Year 2

2014 homework planner
The best homework help you can give your child is to teach them to be organised. Print out the 2014 homework and study calendar, which includes key dates and school holidays. Stick them on the fridge and above their desk. Find out more: http://www.schoolatoz.nsw.edu.au/homework-and-study/homework-tips/2013-homework-planner

Great books for tweens to read
Favourite books from the Premier’s Reading Challenge team that will inspire kids aged between nine and 13 to read read read! Find out more: http://www.schoolatoz.nsw.edu.au/hu/homework-and-study/english/my-book-club/helping-tweens-to-love-reading/ideal-books-for-tweens-to-read

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