



RANFURLY PRIMARY

# THE RAMBLER

*Strong in the heart and Smart in the head*

Principal: **Dennis Mitchell**

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**RESPECT PRIDE SAFETY**

Assistant Principals: **Mark Rogerson & Chelsea Spratt**



**WHOLE SCHOOL ATHLETICS DAY**

## **Friday 15 August.**

All students from Prep to Grade 6 will be involved in a variety of activities on our School oval. Students are asked to **wear their Sport House T-Shirts on the day** and bring a water bottle, snack and lunch from home as there are

**No lunch orders on this day**

If you are unsure of your child's House team, please see your child's class teacher.

Looking forward to seeing everyone!

# PRINCIPALS REPORT

## **35 Years of Service to the Department**



Mary Gill



Tracey Driscoll

A big congratulations to Mary Gill and Tracey Driscoll who have been recognised **for 35 years of service** to public education this year. This is a tremendous achievement for these esteemed educators who are now (dare I say it) among our longest-serving employees in the Department. Their loyalty and commitment to public education in Victoria is truly commendable as they have made valuable contributions to the education and wellbeing of countless young Victorians. Both Mary and Tracey will be officially recognised at a presentation ceremony later this month.

## **Ranfurly Primary School Athletic Day**

Friday the 15<sup>th</sup> August signals the annual running (pardon the pun) of our annual Athletics Day. Students have been practicing for the various events during Physical Education classes, and are well equipped to run faster, jump higher and be stronger. Students are encouraged to wear their house shirts or house colours and appropriate sporting attire on the day. Fun Facts; Cowra are the reigning champions, winning after a 15 year drought. Dairtnunk has won 4 out of the last 7 with their last in 2023. Kulnine's last title was in 2022 and Yerre Yerre now have the longest drought not saluting since 2019.

## **Australian Maths Competition**

Congratulations to the 31 participants from Grade 4 – 6 who participated in the Australian Mathematics Competition this week. All students showed great focus, dedication, and commitment in answering questions in all disciplines of mathematics. We look forward to celebrating the successes of those who participated once the results are collated.

## **Reminder – Accessing Ranfurly PS**

We would like to take this opportunity to congratulate our community for the safe use of our still relatively new 'Kiss n Go'. Please be reminded that the main driveway gate is for cars exiting the school only. Pedestrian access from Ontaria Ave is in two locations; 1. Near School Crossing and 2. Southern end towards 15<sup>th</sup> Street. Thanks again for your continued compliance with ensuring our school and wider community stays safe.

*Enjoy the rest of the week!*

*Dennis, Chelsea and Toby*



## Preps Term 3 Unit @ a Glance



### Stars of the Week

**PREP L: Dustin Seitis-Coslovich** for coming in each day with a big smile and saying good morning to all his teachers and peers.

**PREP M: Matthew Penna** for his fantastic work with addition, your hard work and growing confidence makes you a true maths star!

**PREP C: Alby Farrow** for working so hard to be an awesome reader and writer. Keep up the great work!

**PREP E: Mason Ros** for being just like Petey Persistence with his learning. We are so proud of you Mason!



### Birthdays

Actavia Brabender-Kirk—6th August



### Reading Awards

50 Nights: William Graham, Koah Blore, Harriet Lehmann, Charli Pardon, Matthew Penna

100 Nights: Aidan Sauer, William Harradine

### Next Week's Unit Topics

Numeracy—We are learning about Measurement.

Literacy—We have been reading lots of the shortlisted books from “The Children Book Council of Australia” books and deciding which is our favourite.

The Resilience Project—We are learning about showing empathy to our friends.

Our Community: We have a visit from the local firemen on Monday.

### Special Events/Reminders

**THANK YOU! THANK YOU! THANK YOU!**

Thank you for helping us celebrate Ranfurly's NAIDOC Day!

Thank you for reading with your children each night and sending in their reading bag each day!

Thank you for supplying a box of tissues for your child's class. We really appreciate it during these winter months!



## YEARS 1/2 UNIT @ A GLANCE



### STARS OF THE WEEK

**Rm 1G:** Suhaib Al-Ogaidi for working faster to get writing tasks finished. Keep up the great work Suhaib!

**Room 1C:** Ryder Gornalle for working hard in our Sounds Write lesson each morning. Well done Ryder.

**Room 1/2 B:** Ashton Sutcliffe for building stamina across your learning. You are working hard to focus and put in your best effort. Well done!

**Room 2B:** Braylen Cernelutti for showing terrific persistence in your learning. You are working so hard. Well done, Braylen.

**Room 2S:** Charlotte Lai for showing passion in your learning this week. You have demonstrated curiosity and enthusiasm in your learning. Well done!

### READING & MATHS

#### AWARDS

Hannah Tino, Kiah Smith, Havana Johnson, William Godenzi, Sam Linnett, Mason Rodi, Hudson McGurk, Cooper Lee, Javahn King, Aptin Taghavinejad, Oakley Henderson



### BIRTHDAYS

River Naldrett  
10 Aug

### This Week's Unit Topics

Reading: Comprehension

**Sounds:**

Grade 1: different spellings for /oo/ as in book

Grade 2: one spelling different sounds

**Writing:**

Grade 1: Proper Nouns

Grade 2: Expanding sentences

**Maths:** Number—Fractions

**Integrated Studies:** Growing Older and Wiser



### NOTICE BOARD

Athletics Day

15th August

ABSENCES

If your child is absent from school, please let us know at school. You can contact me on Dojo or call the office on 5022 12 99



## 3/4 UNIT @ A GLANCE



### STARS OF THE WEEK

**3D:** Emily Morgan for her enthusiastic approach to learning and putting great effort into everything she does. Well done Emily!

**3W:** Rylan Cook for being more confident when completing class activities and during group discussions. Fantastic effort Rylan!

**3M:** Antoniyo Wilson for working hard on explaining his literature circle roll. Well done Antoniyo!

**4R:** Xavier Moody for being an organised and helpful class member. Keep up the great work!

**4B:** Tyler Beaver for his GREAT 'deep thinking' when completing the Literature Circle roles. Wonderful Work Tyler!

**4T:** Samaara Liyaana for having a great start at Ranfurly Primary School. We love having you in 4T.

**4M:** Addison Carr for her valuable contributions to our class discussions during our literature circle lessons. Well done Addi

### AWARDS

**50 Nights of Reading:**  
Dan Hullah, Hariett Amani, Ethan Hardy, Kerrah Gathercole, Braydon Kellett

**100 Nights of Reading:**  
Eleanor Clark, Emily Morgan, Aria Dogan, Kayde Harris

**150 Nights of Reading:**  
Liora McLeod, Luna Neupane, Alex Keil

**Mathematician Awards:**  
Adrian Abdel, Lucas Baldock, Sofina Panha, Tyla Barker, Olive Parker, Cliff Williams-Mackay, Georgia Pike

### This Week's Unit Topics

**Reading** - The Connector roles (Literature Circles)

**Writing** - Information Reports

**Maths** - Shape and Location

**Integrated Studies** - Australia - Our Place on Earth

### NOTICE BOARD

Grade 4 students were given the list of items/clothing that they need to bring on camp - we have emphasised they need warm bedding and clothing. They were also given the Medical Form that needs to be completed and returned ASAP - please make sure you complete all sections.

### BIRTHDAYS

**Aug 5** - Samaara Liyaana  
**Aug 10** - Jettah Andrews



## Year 5/6 Unit@ a Glance—Term 3



### Stars of the Week!

**5C:** Jace Dunstan for his improved focus during class time and working hard on his learning task. Well done, Jace!

**5M:** Cadel Darley for building up his resilience for when things don't go his way and challenging himself with his learning. Well Done, Cadel!

**5T:** Annabelle Roberts for being a helpful and cheerful member of 5T, always bringing a smile to the classroom and her learning. Well done, Annabelle!

**6A:** Maya Briggs-Gilbert for working hard on the presentation and content of her learning task. Well done Maya.!

**6J:** Payman Abdel for responding positively to feedback, by showing greater self-regulation and commitment to maintaining focus during learning activities. Well done, Payman!

**6P:** Mahmoud Maarooof for applying himself with great focus and effort during writing to develop his Information Text. Well done, Mahmoud Keep up the fantastic work!



Happy Birthday!  
**6J Oscar Reberger (7 AUG)**



### Upcoming Events & Reminders

- **HOMEWORK:** Due Friday 8th August.
- **SCHOOL PRODUCTION:** Rehearsals every Wednesday – Remember to practise at home and bring your scripts/music to every rehearsal.
- **CHAFFEY'S 'SEAL' PROGRAM:** An information night is being held on Tuesday, 12th August at 6pm for Grade 6 families who are interested in Chaffey Secondary College's 2026 'SEAL' Program.
- **LEARNING TASK:** Literacy Learning Task will be on COMPASS this week. Be sure to check out your child's work.
- **ATHLETICS DAY** - Friday, 15th August, 2025



### AWARDS

#### Reading Awards:

**25 Nights:** Nephi Tuimoala, Mia Gardiner  
**50 Nights:** Chase Quinn, Hudson Newton  
**100 Nights:** Henry Goulet

#### Numeracy Awards:

Mrs. Newton & Mr. Cottrell: Hugo Tyson  
Mr. Mays: Elena Cifra  
Miss Thompson: Mico Sevilla  
Mrs Snow & Mrs Alderton: Ruby Cook  
Miss Jenner: Tarlisha Harris  
Ms. Parfrey: Adah McGurk





As we approach spring in a month time, when many children look forward to participating in sports and extracurricular activities.

a free program that can help ease the financial pressure many families face at this time of year.

We understand how quickly budgets can be stretched, with the cost of sports

uniforms, equipment, club fees, music lessons, camps, or after-school programs.

These are important activities that help children feel connected and socially included, and no child should have to miss out.

#### What is Saver Plus ?

It's a free financial education program funded by the **Federal Government** and **Department of Social Services**, that helps parents and carers on **lower incomes to build financial skills while saving for school-related costs**.

Families who join not only receive up to **\$500 in matched savings**, but they also gain **practical money skills** through free financial education workshops, helping them feel more in control of their finances.

With the rising cost of living, many families are feeling the pressure—especially when it comes to covering education related expenses like books, uniforms, laptops, I pads or excursions. This is where Saver Plus can be a real blessing.

#### Eligibility includes:

- Having a Health Care or Pensioner Concession Card
- Having a child in school (or starting next year), or studying themselves
- Having a regular income (from work, partner, or Centrelink payments)



## You're invited to #NoLimits Girls Squad

- Tailored specifically for girls
- Safe, inclusive, and welcoming
  - Play with your friends
  - Develop new skills
- Learn about the Tennis Pathway
  - Delivered by women coaches
- Focus on health and wellbeing

Sacred Heart & St. Andrews Tennis Club

Day and time: Wednesday 4-5pm

Duration: Term 3

Start date: 6th August 2025

End date: 17th September 2025

Address: 462 Eleventh St Mildura, VIC 3500

Cost: Fully subsidised by Tennis Australia

#### Register at

[lisa.joy.hill79@gmail.com](mailto:lisa.joy.hill79@gmail.com) or Lisa Hill 0400 726824

#### The Lions Club of Mildura presents International Entertainment Australia's...

Circus Quirkus provides relaxed theatre performances for children and young adults...

- with diverse abilities and backgrounds (wheelchair accessible and accessible seating at all shows).
- who might require a more flexible and inclusive environment when going to the theatre (sensory friendly).
- who are facing hardship.
- without access or opportunity to live theatre.

Enjoy the "live performance" experience with a casual attitude to audience noise and movement in an accessible and inclusive environment, where you are welcomed and free to be yourself without restriction or judgement.

Featuring a brand new show host and performers, along with some old favourites. "moving, flashing lights, upbeat and sometimes dramatic music. One hour show, no interval. Suitable for all ages.

**ALL TICKETS ARE COMPLIMENTARY**, including parent, sibling and carer tickets. Thanks to sponsorship from local businesses.

\*Bookings from schools, organisations, carers and families are all welcome.



Scan the QR Code to visit the shows website and watch highlights from previous shows...

#### MILDURA ARTS CENTRE

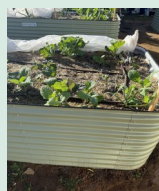
SHOW DATE	SHOWTIME
<b>TUESDAY, 19<sup>TH</sup> AUGUST, 2025</b>	<b>6.00 PM</b>

To book tickets, please email your name and the number of tickets you require to...

[meredithnewman@showintent.com.au](mailto:meredithnewman@showintent.com.au)  
or call / text 0404-367-782

# RANFURLY SPARK GARDEN

Our Flip groups and SPARK Learn groups have been working so hard. Just see here are some photos of the amazing garden Well done to our green thumbs!



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## IMPORTANT DATES TO REMEMBER

### August

#### Friday 15

- Ranfurly Athletics Day

#### Tuesday 26

- Learning Talks

## RHYTHM WORKS!

Students will have a lot of fun watching a live performance from visiting artists known as Rhythm Works! They will perform for Ranfurly on Friday the 5<sup>th</sup> of September.

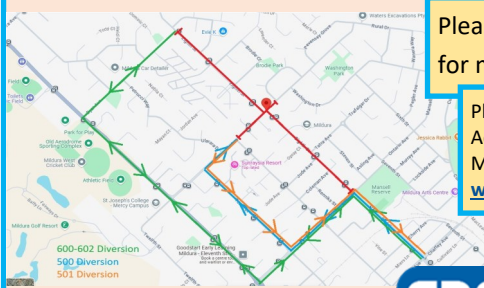
Rhythm Works are a dynamic percussion duo who show students how to create visual images through music with lizards, waterfalls, road trains, and carnivals. In this high energy show, students are introduced to a range of instruments from African djembes, marimbas, electronic loop machines, Boomwhackers, and wearable instruments made out of PVC pipe!



Bus route diversions on 11 August due to works on Riverside and 8<sup>th</sup> Street.

**Bus #500** – Left into Ontario Ave, right into 10<sup>th</sup> st, right into Riverside Ave, Right into 9<sup>th</sup> st and back on route.

**7.27AM** - Left into Ontario Ave, right into 10<sup>th</sup> St, right into Riverside Ave, Right into 9<sup>th</sup> St and back on route to Merbein P10 – **ORANGE LINE.**



Please contact CDC  
for more information

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Mildura, VIC, 3500  
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'linking people, places and communities'

## CANTEEN NEWS

### Fruit & Snacks

Apple Slinky-----	\$1.00
Pear Slinky-----	\$1.00
Carrot Sticks-----	\$1.00
Capsicum Sticks-----	\$1.00
Cucumber Sticks-----	\$1.00
Cheese Sticks-----	\$1.00
Mixed Sticks-----	\$1.00
Tzatziki Dip-----	\$1.00
Hommus Dip-----	\$1.00
Hi Fibre Cookie-----	\$1.00
Banana Bread-----	\$2.00

Popcorn-----	\$0.50
Jelly Fruit-----	\$1.00
Watermelon wedge-----	\$1.00
Fresh Fruit Salad-----	\$3.50
Quelch-----	\$0.50
Dixie Cup-----	\$2.20
Assorted Ice Creams-----	\$1.70
Frozen Yoghurt-----	\$2.50
Juicies-----	\$1.50
Frozen Fruit-----	\$1.00

**Year 6 Parents and Students are invited to attend our:**

**SEAL PROGRAM**  
**INFORMATION EVENING**  
**6:00PM**  
**TUESDAY 12 AUGUST**

Information about our  
Select Entry Accelerated Learning  
(SEAL) program 2026 will be provided  
including the application and  
selection process.





**UNDER 8'S**  
(BORN 2019 & 2020)  
**COME AND TRY DAY**  
AT THE MILDURA HOTHOUSE (8<sup>th</sup> STREET)  
SUNDAY- 10<sup>th</sup> AUGUST @ 2-3PM  
REGISTER YOUR INTEREST  
[IRYMPLETIGERS1965@HOTMAIL.COM](mailto:IRYMPLETIGERS1965@HOTMAIL.COM)



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