



RANFURLY PRIMARY

# THE RAMBLER

*Strong in the heart and Smart in the head*

Principal: **Dennis Mitchell**

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**RESPECT PRIDE SAFETY**

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## FLIP

A few students from Grow it Know it FLIP Group hosted an activity afternoon for Prep to Grade 3. They enjoyed a scavenger hunt, pin the leaf on the strawberry and drawing fruits and vegetables with chalk. Students from FLIP also created their own flyers to share the knowledge and progress of the work they have been doing. What an amazing effort!



**TOMORROW is a Pupil Free Day NO STUDENTS TO ATTEND**



### BY ERNEST AND RAIDEN **Our Brussel sprouts**

**Did you know  
this is how  
Brussel  
sprouts  
grow**



Slow but relatively easy to grow, Brussels sprouts provide valuable harvests through the leaner winter months. A member of the brassica (cabbage) family, they are very hardy and crop well through even the coldest winters. In fact, sprouts have the sweetest flavour when harvested after being frosted.



### **FAIRY GARDEN UPDATE**

**IN GROW IT KNOW IT TERM 4 WE  
HAVE BEEN RENOVATING THE  
CURRENT FAIRY GARDEN AND IT'S  
NOW FINISHED IF YOU GET A CHANCE  
PLEASE HAVE A LOOK.**



# Principals Reports

## Curriculum Day – Friday 21 November

Please be reminded that tomorrow is a Pupil Free Day. Teachers will be working predominantly off-site, visiting schools in our district and focussing on observing key practices, initiatives and approaches that we can bring back to further improve our own teaching and learning.

## Personal / Enrolment Information

Thankyou to families who have contacted the office to let the school know of any personal details that may have changed recently. Please be reminded that if your moving schools or chasing enrolment information, to let the staff in the office know at your earliest possible convenience.

## Important Dates

The end of school year is fast approaching, and we have lots of exciting activities happening to complete the year across all year levels. As we approach the latter part of the year, please keep an eye out for important dates and notes that your child may receive. These may be sent or accessed via this newsletter, compass or other mediums.

## Drop Off and Pick Up

Our relatively new Kiss and Go continues to provide efficient and most importantly safe access to and from school. We would like to acknowledge the safe use of this resource by our school community and continue to encourage common sense practices that take into consideration all road users including pedestrians and residents during these peak times.

## Student Leadership Positions

Next Tuesday, we have approximately 30 grade 5 students running for School Leadership Positions in 2026. At Ranfurly, we have a strong culture of student leadership that encourages responsibility, voice and active participation across our school community. Parents and guardians are more than welcome to come and watch the speeches which will be held in the gym from 9.00am on Tuesday the 25 November.

## Regional Champion

Congratulations to Martin Ros who recently represented Ranfurly PS at the State Championships in Melbourne. At this event, Martin competed against other regional qualifiers from across Victoria . Martin again performed superbly and came a credible 6<sup>th</sup> in High Jump and ran the fast time of 12.56 seconds in the 100m sprint. Awesome work Martin and all the best with your future sporting pursuits.

Enjoy the rest of the week!

*Dennis, Chelsea & Toby*





## Preps Term 4 Unit @ a Glance



### Stars of the Week

**PC - Darcy Elliott** for the amazing confidence you have shown participating in our 'check in' lately! Well done Darcy!

**PL - Patrick Stevens** for an amazing effort in his maths work. We loved how you explained how many days in three months.

**PE - Vanessa Butoto** for her effort to join in with learning. Well done Vanessa!

**PM - Georgia Irvin** for always celebrating her classmates' successes and cheering them on with genuine enthusiasm.

### Next Week's Unit Topics

Numeracy –We are learning about the value in numbers.

Literacy- We are learning the different spellings of 'c, k ck in words'.

The Resilience Project- We are learning about how to cooperate.

Developmental Play - We are learning about respectful relationships.

### Reading Awards

100 Nights: Silas Browne

### Special Events/Reminders

**Pupil Free Day— TOMORROW!**



## YEARS 1/2 UNIT @ A GLANCE



### STARS OF THE WEEK

**Room 1G - Jayden Bizimana** for having a red hot go with his learning and confidently sharing his ideas with the class. We are so proud of you Jayden!

**Room 1C - Hannah Elizabeth Tino** for showing great confidence and persistence with her learning. Well done Hannah!

**Room 1/2 B - Milla Newton** for showing improved organisation and readiness for learning. I am super proud of you, Milla!

**Room 2B - Hajar Hassani** for always working hard to do her best. Your confidence as a learner is continuing to grow. What a fabulous job you are doing. Keep up the amazing work!

**Room 2S - Enoch Sobowale** for showing resilience and determination in your learning. You have been working hard. Keep working hard, Enoch!

### BIRTHDAYS

Tommy Lanyon 23<sup>rd</sup> November  
Lilly Roberts 23<sup>rd</sup> November

### READING & MATHS AWARDS

Charlotte Moss, Quinn Day

### NOTICE BOARD

**Friday 21st November:**  
**Curriculum Day**  
**PUPIL FREE DAY**

## Grade 1/2 Unit Topics

### Grade One Focus

**Reading:** Author study: Oliver Jeffers

**Sounds:** /air/

**Writing:** Sentence types

**Maths:** Location

**Integrated Studies:** Different Places - Natural and Man-made features

### Grade Two Focus

**Reading:** Persuasive Text

**Sounds:** /oe/

**Writing:** Persuasive Writing

**Maths:** Location

**Integrated Studies:** Different Places - Natural and Man-made features



## 3/4 UNIT @ A GLANCE



### STARS OF THE WEEK

**3D:** Daisy Alleblas for practising her poem with enthusiasm and showing confidence when reciting it to the class. Well done Daisy!

**3W:** Frankie Perry for having a positive attitude and trying hard to achieve his best at all times. Well done Frankie!

**3M:** Aivah Blore for always putting others first and making sure our classroom is a happy place to be. Thank you Aivah!

**4R:** Jamari Bailey for consistently trying his hardest in all classwork. Keep up the fantastic effort!

**4B:** Alexander Ives for putting in his best effort when completing tasks and showing pleasing improvement in his assessment results. Fantastic work Alexander!

**4T:** Darci Deiesi for making a huge effort with all testing over the past 2 weeks and achieving great results.

**4M:** Lawrence Shirren for putting greater effort into his learning and making excellent improvements. Well done!

### Unit Topics

**Reading** - Literature Circles

**Writing** - Narrative Writing

**Maths** - Telling Time

**Integrated Studies** - Food production and eating a varied diet

### NOTICE BOARD

A reminder that **Friday, 21st November**, is a Pupil Free Day. Students are not required to attend school on this day.

### AWARDS

#### 100 Nights of Reading:

Daisy Alleblas, Irshad Ibrahimi, Heidi Noonan, Elly DeGoumois, Frankie Perry

#### 250 Nights of Reading:

(from Week 6) - Monika Ros, Myah Parfrey, Stella Doody

### BIRTHDAYS

24th Nov Jamari Bailey  
26th Nov Lucas Baldock



## Year 5/6 Unit@ a Glance



### Stars of the Week!

**5C:** Hasandi Hettige for having a smooth transition into Ranfurly and quickly being a great contributor in 5C. Well done, Hasandi!

**5M:** Zeke James for applying himself to his learning more consistently and writing a well written speech for his leadership application. Well done, Zeke!

**5T:** Scarlett Coomber for being a kind, respectful, and always-helpful member of our classroom. Keep up the great work, Scarlett!

**6A:** Savannah Macumber for taking her time when completing her work. The pride you have taken in the presentation of your persuasive draft is terrific. Keep it up Savannah!

**6J:** Payman Abdel for her hard work and dedication to becoming the best learner she can be during her numeracy test. Your persistence truly paid off, and you should be incredibly proud of yourself!

**6P:** Harry Creamer for his outstanding commitment to the Ranfurly community. He consistently supports his peers and takes initiative in organising social events that promote student engagement. Well done, Harry, on your dedication, leadership, and the positive impact you make on our school.



### Happy Birthday!

5C: Ethan Yilmaz (November 28th)

6J: Lisia Maea (November 24th)

6P: Kaylee Hyde (November 27th)



### AWARDS

#### Reading Awards:

50 Nights: Savannah Macumber

100 Nights: Lucy Mitchell

150 Nights: Jothisha Vikneswaran, Alirah Smith, Kiya Cluss, Harry Creamer

200 Nights: Hugo Tyson, Leo Chang, Martin Ros, Levi Kellett, Riley Durbidge, Lilly McKenzie

#### Numeracy Awards:

Mrs. Newton & Mr. Cottrell: Cadel Darley

Mr. Mays: Harry Creamer

Miss Thompson: Lacey Hunt

Mrs Snow & Mrs Alderton: Aria-May Charnock

Miss Jenner: McKenzie O'Rourke

Ms. Parfrey: Shishi Chen

### Upcoming Events & Reminders

- **READING:** 4 nights of reading per week and signed by an adult.
- **SCHOOL LEADERSHIP SPEECHES:** Speeches for Grade 5 students going for 2026 School Leadership positions, will be held in the gym on Tuesday, November 25th.
- **CHRISTMAS CONCERT:** Monday, December 8th
- **YEAR 7 ORIENTATION DAY:** Grade 6 students have their Year 7 transition day on Tuesday, December 9th.



# TRANSITION Calendar

MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI
17 November	18 November	19 November	20 November	21 November
24 November	25 November	26 November	27 November	28 November
		<b>Class Time</b> Meet Buddy 9:00-10:30 (Parents to drop off)		<b>Art</b> Optional 2:20-3:00 (Parents must stay)
1 December	2 December	3 December	4 December	5 December
				<b>Performing Arts</b> Optional 2:20-3:00 (Parents must stay)
8 December	9 December	10 December	11 December	12 December
	<b>Class Time</b> Meet Teacher 9:00-10:00 (Parents to drop off)			<b>PE</b> Optional 2:20-3:00 (Parents must stay)
	<b>Presentation</b> 10:00 (Parents to attend)			



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## Craft sand contamination update

You may be aware of a recent alert about craft sand products that may contain asbestos.

For current information about the recall, including a list of products, visit the [ACCC website](http://www.accc.gov.au).

At our school, we are taking the steps set out by the Department of Education to collect and dispose of the products.

Current advice from national and [Victorian health authorities](http://www.vic.gov.au) is that there is a low risk to human health from these products.

If you have the product at home, however, the advice from the health authorities is that you should stop using it and follow the safety advice published here: [Safe disposal and health information for consumers with recalled sand products | ACCC Product](http://www.accc.gov.au)



**TheirCare**  
Where kids love to be!

TERM 4

NEWSLETTER

Ranfurly PS TheirCare

November 2025

## Holey moley it's November!

November already! Christmas is around the corner! We have had some big changes at Ranfurly PS TheirCare and have been navigating it well. We have a pupil free day on Friday 21<sup>st</sup> of November and bookings are open for this. This term with WeCare our charity is the Zoe Support program of which supports young mothers with motherhood, study. So far this month we have celebrated halloween, melbourne cup etc.



## National Fairy Bread Day!

the pyjama foundation

Monday 24<sup>th</sup> November

Book into After School Care and celebrate National Fairy Bread Day with some tasty fairy bread! Fairy Bread Day helps raise awareness and support for kids in need through charities like The Pyjama Foundation, which we support through our WeCare program.



## TheirCare GALACTIC CIRCUS

SUMMER 2026  
HOLIDAY PROGRAM

BOOKINGS OPEN 06.11.25!



## Fro-Yo Granola Cups

RECIPE SUBMITTED BY  
THEIRCARE HQ

### INGREDIENTS:

- 6 tablespoons honey
- 2 cups (245g) traditional rolled oats
- 3 small packets of sultana & apples
- 1 tablespoon cinnamon
- 2 1/2 cups (715g) Greek yogurt
- Strawberries and blueberries for garnish
- Packet of 12 patty pans

### INSTRUCTIONS:

1. Place honey into a bowl and heat in the microwave for 30 seconds, or until melted.
2. In a medium sized bowl, add the rolled oats, sultana and apples, and cinnamon. Pour the honey over and stir to combine.
3. Spoon the granola oat mix evenly into 12 lined muffin cups, pressing firmly into the bottom.
4. Top each cup with 3-4 tablespoons of yogurt.
5. Then top with sliced strawberries and blueberries.
6. Cover tightly with foil and freeze for at least 2 hours. Allow to thaw for a few minutes before eating. Enjoy!



TheirCare

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## IMPORTANT DATES TO REMEMBER

### NOVEMBER

#### Friday 14

- 2026 Prep Transition - Digi Stem Experience

#### Friday 21

- PUPIL FREE DAY

**(NO STUDENT TO ATTEND SCHOOL)**

#### Tuesday 25

- 2026 Leadership Speeches in the gym

#### Wednesday 26

- Whole school transition with 2026 Preps 9-10.30am

#### Friday 28

- 2026 Prep Transition - Art Experience

#### **Medications**

**Students who require medication during school hours must have the appropriate forms completed by parents/carers. Staff are not able to dispense medication without written approval. Please contact office for further information.**

## CANTEEN NEWS

#### Wraps

Full \$8.00

Half \$4.00

- Ham, egg, lettuce, spinach & mayo
- Salad with cheese, lettuce, tomato, cucumber, carrot & mayo
- Chicken, cheese, avocado & lettuce
- Chicken, cheese, lettuce, carrot, pineapple & mayo
- Sweet Chilli Chicken, carrot, tomato, lettuce, sweet chilli sauce



### **Do you have a health care card? You could be eligible for Saver Plus.**

For every dollar you save, you'll get a dollar from ANZ to spend on educational costs, up to \$500.

To join, you need to meet all of these requirements:

- ✓ Be 18 years or older
- ✓ Have a current Health Care or Pensioner Concession Card
- ✓ Have a child in school, starting school next year, or be studying yourself
- ✓ Get a regular income (can be you or your partner)
- ✓ Agree to join in free online financial education workshops

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### SCHOOL MAGAZINE

Our Annual School Magazine is now available to purchase through Compass for a cost of **\$20.00**.

Orders close on Sunday 30 November.

Only magazines that have been paid for will be ordered.

Late orders WILL NOT be available.

### **\*\*\*\*\*MUSIC TUITION FEES\*\*\*\*\***

**Term 3 and 4 fees are due !**

**Please make sure your accounts are paid!  
Before end of the year. contact the office if  
you require further information or assistance in organising payment.**

## UNIFORM SHOP

**2026 January Opening Dates/Times**

**Monday 19 January – Thursday 22 January**

**9.30am – 2.00pm**