

# Rangeville State School

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# Newslink

Term 2

Week 4

6<sup>th</sup> May 2016



**Happy Mother's Day** to all of our Mum's and special ladies in our children's lives. We hope you have a special day and enjoy being spoilt!

Thanks to our awesome P&C who ran a fabulous Mother's Day stall this week.

## NAPLAN Parent Information Night

Thanks to our parents who attended a very informative NAPLAN information night ran by Mrs Burton (Head of Curriculum) on Tuesday night. We hope that the information helps support your child and yourself to feel comfortable during next week's NAPLAN testing.



## Rangeville State School: Number 1 State School in Toowoomba

Thank you to our families that participated in the recent Chronicle poll identifying the Top 8 State

School's in Toowoomba. Your positivity and support just goes to prove what we already know!!! Thank you.

## Upcoming Federal Election

With a Federal Election hanging heavily in the air, Education will be an important hot topic that will directly impact on you and your child in the future. The Gonski reference will be front and centre for both sides of parliament. This info graphic is a simple way of explaining what it is and what it means for you and your child. Education is the key to the future!

## Classroom Refurbishments

On Tuesday, I had the pleasure of meeting with the successful company who won the tender for our classroom refurbishments that will begin NEXT WEEK!!! EEKKK. These refurbishments will effect M Block, F Block, E Block and G Block. These refurbishments will include: New cabinetry for storage, air conditioning, repainting, new carpets, Interactive Projection and new furniture kits. There will be limited and managed interruptions to student learning as classes will be relocated to vacant rooms in the near future. Each class will receive individual notification when this will happen.

Have a great Mother's Day weekend everyone. Regards Ben

*"Learning Achieving and Growing Every Day."*

## WHAT IS GONSKI?



IN 2012, THE GONSKI REVIEW FOUND THAT AUSTRALIA IS INVESTING TOO LITTLE IN SCHOOLS, AND THAT THE WAY WE DISTRIBUTE THE MONEY IS NEITHER FAIR NOR EFFECTIVE.

IN DISADVANTAGED AREAS,

**1 IN 5** 15 YEAR OLDS DO NOT HAVE BASIC LITERACY SKILLS



GONSKI FUNDING IS DESIGNED TO ENSURE THAT THE RIGHT RESOURCES ARE IN EVERY SCHOOL FOR EVERY CHILD.

**2/3** OF GONSKI FUNDING IS DUE IN THE LAST 2 YEARS

**KIDS EXCEL WHEN THEY HAVE PROPER SUPPORT.**

GONSKI PROVIDES SMALLER CLASS SIZES / EXTRA LITERACY AND NUMERACY PROGRAMS / SPEECH THERAPISTS / ONE-ON-ONE SUPPORT FOR STRUGGLING KIDS / ONGOING TRAINING FOR TEACHERS / ADDITIONAL SPECIALIST SUPPORT BETTER PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT / GREATER SUPPORT FOR ABORIGINAL AND TORRES STRAIT ISLANDER STUDENTS

**GONSKI: FAIR FUNDING FOR EVERY CHILD NOW.**

Authorised by John Dixon, General Secretary, NSW Teachers Federation, 23-33 Mary St, Surry Hills 2010.



UNDER-INVESTING HAS SEEN ALARMING GAPS IN ACHIEVEMENT BETWEEN STUDENTS FROM DIFFERENT BACKGROUNDS. GONSKI 2012

**62%**

OF TEACHERS SAY THE NEEDS OF STUDENTS WITH DISABILITY AT THEIR SCHOOL ARE NOT BEING PROPERLY MET

SOURCE: ARU 2016 'STATE OF OUR SCHOOLS' SURVEY

FUNDING SHARE

**65%** **35%**  
FEDERAL FUNDING STATE FUNDING

## NAPLAN News

Next week, our Year 3 and 5 students will be participating in NAPLAN testing on Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup>, Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> and Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> May.

At Rangeville, our approach to NAPLAN preparation is simple. Each teacher from Prep to Year 6 is committed to preparing their students for success by carefully planning and delivering the curriculum, differentiating to meet the range of learning needs in their class and closely monitoring achievement. Congratulations to our Year 3 and 5 students (and their teachers) for their terrific preparation in the lead-up to these tests.

We look forward to seeing each of you achieve your personal best.

Some NAPLAN tips for parents of students in Years 3 and 5:

- keep things at home relaxed (NAPLAN is just another test that students do at school)
- try to make sure your child gets a good sleep the night before
- make sure your child eats a good breakfast
- if your child needs to wear glasses, make sure they have them packed and that they are cleaned
- some parents like to pack a special treat in their child's lunchbox
- most importantly, **make sure your child is at their classroom by the 8:45am bell**

**Jan Burton**

**Head of Curriculum**

### Picture plates.

Picture plate templates are now available to order. Completed templates are to be returned by 11th May and will be sent away to be made into beautiful dinner plates with your artwork or photographs. Order forms have been distributed to Prep and Grade one students. Other students can collect forms at the uniform shop or phone Margaret Spinks 0400710277.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS	
REGULAR EVENTS	
Wednesday	School Banking
Mon & Thurs	P&C Uniform Shop 8.30 – 9.15am
Wednesday	P&C Uniform Shop 2.15 – 3.15pm
MAY	
10 <sup>th</sup> -12 <sup>th</sup>	Naplan
Mon 16 <sup>th</sup>	5OB & 5SB Amaroo
Tues 17 <sup>th</sup>	Pizza Day 5CB & 5W Amaroo
Wed 18 <sup>th</sup>	Math Olympiad 3M & 3R Amaroo
Thur 19 <sup>th</sup>	3MB & 3H Amaroo