



Nurturing Children in an Innovative and Creative Environment

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Term 1 Week 6

4th March 2014

4 Mar Milo Cricket, 12 – 1.45pm at school
 7 Mar Scripture commences
 11 Mar Milo Cricket, 12 – 1.45pm at school
 13 Mar KiK, 3-6K
 18 Mar Milo Cricket, 12 – 1.45pm at school
 19 Mar Book Club orders and money due
 21 Mar Harmony Day
 24 Mar P&C Meeting, 3.15
 27 Mar KiK, K-2M, \$3 each
 8 Apr Cross Country/Fun Run
 8 Apr End of Term Assembly
 9 Apr ANZAC Talk, Kevin Franklin
 11 Apr Last day of Term 1
 28 Apr Staff Development Day
 29 Apr Term 2, all students return

Dear Parents and Community Members,

Youth Leadership Conference

Welcome back to our school leaders and Mr King who attended the Youth Leadership Conference in Brisbane. We look forward to you using your new skills and hope you found the experience rewarding.



KiK 3-6K

3-6K will be cooking KiK on Thursday 13th March.
 Money needs to be paid by Tuesday 11th March.

MNC Swimming Carnival

Congratulations to Miles and Pursia who both swam their Personal Bests at yesterdays MNC Swimming Carnival.

Pursia came 10th overall in the Junior Breaststroke (8, 9, 10 years) but 1st in the 9 year olds!

Miles came 4th in his heat and 12th overall in 11 years Breaststroke.

Rebecca had to make a difficult decision and choose to attend the Youth Leadership Conference in Brisbane.

A fantastic effort. Well done!

Scripture Classes

Scripture starts this Friday. If you do not want your child to attend please send in a note. Students who do not attend Scripture will complete class activities as set by the supervising teacher.

Harmony Day

We will celebrate Harmony Day on Friday March 21st. Students are encouraged to wear multicultural or orange clothes. They will each be making and flying a kite which they can take home at the end of the day.

P&C Meeting

Our next P&C Meeting will be held on the 24th March, at 3.15pm. Minutes from the last meeting can be found on the school website

www.raleigh-p.schools.nsw.edu.au

Expression of Interest

The EOI for high schools for 2015 will be handed out next week to our Year 6 students. These forms need to be returned to Raleigh Public School by 21st March.

Student Banking

Student Banking is held on Wednesdays. If you would like your child to open a bank account, please see Mrs Jones.

"If you can laugh at it, you can live with it."

ERMA BOMBECK

"Raleigh Public School has talented and dedicated teachers who work with students to realise their potential."

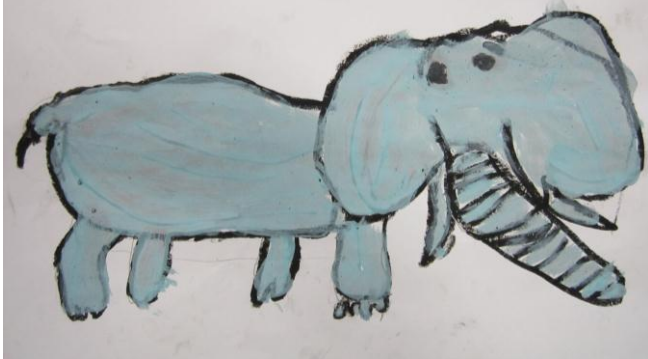
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K-2M

Art work and writing based on the text 'Elephant's Story'.

The elephant looks wrinkly. By D'zel



She looks like a rhinoceros with a trunk. The herd looks after her. She fell in the lake. By Kieren



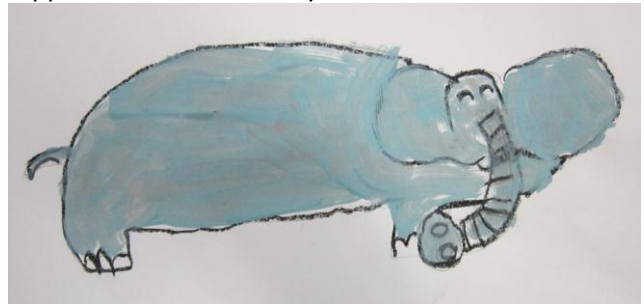
The elephant has been born. It is a girl. She learns how to eat and how to use her trunk. By Ruby



Elephant is a new baby. She is grey and has big floppy ears. She also is quite wrinkly with an extraordinary trunk.

When elephant was threatened or hurt her mother would stroke her. She never was alone and was looked after well. She was very playful.

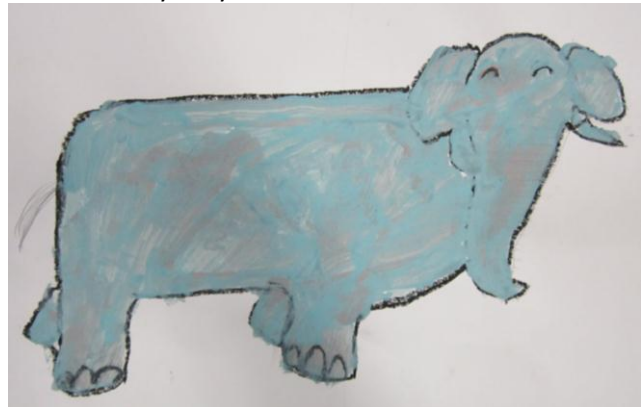
One day elephant and her herd went to the best place in the world, (the watering hole), and had a swim. When it was time to go she wanted one more tuft of grass. She was munching away when she slipped into the water. By India



Elephant is blue with two ears and one trunk. She has four big, big legs and zero arms. She has two eyes, one nose and one mouth.

She was looked after by the herd. It gets a big hug with the mum's trunk.

As she grows up Elephant learns to feed and help the new baby elephants. She goes in the water when she is hot. By Joey



25 Minute Reading

Congratulations to **Zoltan** who has read for 25 nights. Fantastic!

Scholastic Book Club

Brochures have been sent home for Scholastic Book Club. Money and orders are due back by Wednesday 19 March. Cheques may be made payable to Raleigh Public School. We have been able to purchase 44 new books for K-2M class use with the Rewards received. Thank you.

Nachos – Serves 4

1 bag of plain corn chips

Sour cream

Grated cheese

Salsa $\frac{1}{2}$ punnet of cherry tomatoes, chopped

2 Tablespoons coriander finely sliced

Juice of $\frac{1}{2}$ lime

Small red onion finely diced

Guacamole

1 avocado – mashed

 $\frac{1}{2}$ red onion finely diced

1 Tablespoon finely sliced coriander

 $\frac{1}{2}$ lime, juiced

Medium tomato finely diced

 $\frac{1}{2}$ cup sour cream**Bean Nachos – Serves 4**

1 can refried beans

1 onion finely diced

1 tomato diced

 $\frac{3}{4}$ cup passata**Beef Nachos – Serves 4**

Onion finely diced

500g mince

2 Tablespoons tomato paste

1 tin kidney beans

 $\frac{1}{4}$ cups water

Taco mix

**Eye Health**

The following foods help improve eye health. Fill the kids lunch box with: Carrots, sweet potato and spinach are filled with Beta Carotene and antioxidants (spinach) which act like a sunscreen for your eyes;

Capsicum, broccoli and brussel sprouts for a healthy dose of Vitamin C;

Turkey is rich in zinc – helping the enzymes in the retina which protect overall eye health;

Salmon, sardines are rich in Omega3 – protecting the vessels in the retina.

Source: The Today Show, Joy Bauer, Nutritionist.

Parents of students in Years 3 & 5 at Raleigh Public School "The National Assessment Program – Literacy and Numeracy (NAPLAN) is an annual assessment for students in Years 3, 5, 7 and 9. It has been an annual event for schools since 2008.

On Tuesday 14, Wednesday 15 and Thursday 16 May, students will take the 2013 NAPLAN tests.

NAPLAN assesses skills in literacy and numeracy that are developed over time, through the school curriculum. NAPLAN is not a pass or fail type test, but rather shows how students are progressing in numeracy and literacy skills against national standards for all Australia children. It also provides valuable information that allows schools and governments to better target effort and support to help all students achieve their potential and acquire the basic skills to help them build successful and happy lives.

All students are expected to participate in the tests. Students with disability may qualify for reasonable adjustments that reflect the support normally provided to them in the classroom. Some students with very specific circumstances may be exempted from participating in the tests. For information about participation in NAPLAN, you can go to: <http://www.nap.edu.au/naplan/parent-carer-support.html>

NAPLAN tests fundamental skills rather than specific content, and as such is not a test for which students can study or drill. The best way you can help your child prepare for NAPLAN is to let them know that NAPLAN is just one part of their school program, and to urge them to simply do the best they can on the day. The use of services by coaching providers is not recommended.

An individual student NAPLAN report will be issued by the school later this year. Parents can use this information to monitor how their child is progressing and to identify any areas of concern. Parents may also wish to use their child's results to discuss progress with teachers. More information is available at www.nap.edu.au."

