

The Reservoir VIEW



Thursday 12th October

Reservoir Views Primary School acknowledges the Wurundjeri people of the Kulin nation as the traditional custodians of the lands where we live, learn, work and play.

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14th October	Referendum Sausage Sizzle Fundraiser
16th, 17th, 18th, 23rd, 24th Oct	Swimming
19th October	Kinder to Foundation Orientation Program commences
16th - 27th October	Mural Painting with Uncle Brendan Special/ cultural storytelling at school - please book in
6th November	Pupil free day - reporting and assessment
7th November	Melbourne Cup day - public holiday
17th November 2.45pm	Colour Explosion Fun Run
5th December	Grade 6 Graduation
14th December	IEP meetings 3:35pm to 7pm
15th December	IEP meetings 9-2pm
20th December	Pupil free day
Don't forget to come along on Saturday and support our sausage sizzle fundraiser!	

Dear Reservoir Views students, families and local community members,

It is wonderful to be back after my Long Service Leave last term. This very long and busy Term 4 has certainly commenced with many activities and events already happening.

Thank you everyone for supporting the *Mini Market* held last Friday by our students within Years 5 and 6. The rain tried to ruin the fun but the kids ended up having a ball on Friday.

Whole school swimming also commenced this week. This will continue Monday to Wednesday of next week with the final two sessions taking place on Monday the 16th and Tuesday the 17th of October.

Inter-school sport for our year 5 and 6 students commences this Friday and our Kinder to Prep orientation program starts next Thursday. Our 2024 Colour Run was launched at this week's assembly and I was thrilled to announce that starting next week we will have an artist in residence, Uncle Brendan Kennedy, working at our school. We also had six of our students compete across 10 events at yesterday's Northern Metropolitan Region Track and Field championship. It's all happening!

MINI MARKET



All of the money raised will go towards subsidising the cost of grade 6 graduation and an end of year celebration for our year 6 students.

MURAL AT RESERVOIR VIEWS

This week, renowned cultural artist Uncle Brendan Kennedy commenced as an artist in residence at Reservoir Views working with our students and community members painting a mural at our school. Uncle Brendan is a Tati Tati, Latji Latji, Wadi Wadi, Mutti Mutti, Yitha Yitha and Nari Nari artist working in painting and the making of cultural material. A huge thank you to everyone who helped prepare our huge blank canvas over the last few days!



Next week, the fun painting for the mural begins. Uncle Brendan will lead our community to paint our landscape, showing the creek, the land, and the sky with Bunjil (eagle) and Waa (crow) and many other animals. The mural is a time for us to connect across our community and share our stories, languages and cultures. Please come along to paint and share. Throughout next week, we are asking our families, friends and community to come to school and share their stories with our students. This can be a story that has been passed down, a special story you know, a cultural story that's meaningful to you and your family. Please see your classroom teacher to book in a time it suits you.

Our school values are *connection*, *courage* and *curiosity* and we're wanting to represent these values in as many languages as possible, reflecting our wonderfully diverse community. We will have 3 large posters hanging near our mural, please add to this poster in your own mother tongue if you can, it would be great to represent our values in as many languages as we can.

CONGRATULATIONS ROSE

Each year, the Parliament of Victoria asks students in years 5 to 12 across the state, to share what they would say to parliament if they were an MP. This is a chance to talk about the issues that are important to kids and their community. This year Rose wrote about road safety around her local community, the lack of stop signs and the speed limit being too high. Rose achieved in the top 10% of the state! Our local MP Nathan Lambert came to school to give Rose her certificate, you should be extremely proud of your achievement Rose.



CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR INCREDIBLE ATHLETES

I'd like to congratulate and acknowledge the wonderful achievements of six of our students who competed in the Northern Metropolitan Region Track and Field Championship held yesterday. To compete at this level, these students had to finish either first or second in their events at the district and divisional levels.

Congratulations Paige, Lorraine, Bella, Tia, Kobe and Poppy. Tia and Bella have progressed to the State Track and Field Championship to be held on the 1st of November!



REFERENDUM SAUSAGE SIZZLE FUNDRAISER

We are again holding our world famous sausage sizzle at Reservoir Views on Saturday. Please come along and support the school while you are voting on the referendum, or if you have already voted, please come along and say hello and buy a snag. Thank you in advance for all of our volunteers.



STUDENT GRADE ALLOCATION POLICY

It is that time of the year when we are planning for 2024 at Reservoir Views. A key component of this work is allocating students to classes once I have determined our 2024 class structure and model. As soon as our 2024 model is confirmed, I will share it with our community, but preparing for this we are commencing our process for allocating students to classes.

Below is our grade allocation policy.

2024 GRADE ALLOCATION AT RESERVOIR VIEWS PRIMARY SCHOOL

We have commenced the process of organising our 2024 grades. Throughout this process, we aim:

- to provide each student to be part of a class that will allow the best opportunity to learn,
- to form well-balanced classes that consider the social, emotional, academic and physical characteristics of each student and
- to ensure that optimum use is made of the prior knowledge that teachers, parents and relevant others have of each student prior to class placement.

Students will be asked over the coming weeks to nominate peers within their cohort level who they *work well with*.

We recognise the importance of fostering and maintaining friendship groups. We also understand that it is equally important for students to mix and learn with peers who have different interests.

Parents may submit written requests with respect to class placements. The submissions must be based only on educational reasons and in writing to me by the morning of Friday the 10th of November. All written parent submissions will be given consideration but will not automatically be accommodated. The allocation of students to various classes, class structures, teaching responsibilities and class compositions are all ultimately responsibilities of the Principal.

While the allocation of students to various classes, class structures and class sizes are all ultimately responsibilities of the Principal, a collaborative process will be employed.

The process:

- In early term 4, the Principal will invite parents/caregivers/guardians via Compass, to put in writing to the Principal, particular requests, of student welfare or academic nature, regarding the placement of their student. *These requests will only be considered if they are submitted by the due date as communicated in the Compass post. These requests will be considered but no guarantee is given, the Principal has the final decision for the placement of students in classes.*
- The process of forming classes for the following year will commence in November.
- Expressions of interest for teaching preferences will be sought from staff members.
- Staff members will work collaboratively to create draft classes of students.
- When forming classes, consideration will be given to a balance of gender, student's previous class, each student's ability, behaviour and friendship groups. Individual student needs and a whole school perspective will also be considered.
- Once draft classes are completed, the Principal will make any final alterations, in consultation with Year Level Leaders, School Staff and the Assistant Principal.
- The composition of proposed classes will not be disclosed to students or parents/carers prior to any formal announcements.
- Details relating to the school organisation, class allocation of students and the roles of teachers will be announced on the day of the final 'step up' transition session. The school will not publish class lists to protect the privacy of all students. The students are responsible for communicating their new class with their parents/carers.
- Once classes have been announced, any parents/carers seeking clarification regarding student placement are asked to speak with the Principal or Assistant Principal.
- Changes to the class allocation for students will be avoided unless determined by the Principal.

Parents/caregivers/guardians were given the opportunity to provide input during November, therefore any requests for changes to a student's class allocation will not be considered after the formal announcement.

SCHOOL REVIEW AT RESERVOIR VIEWS

In 2019 our school undertook a rigorous school review process that led to the creation of our current 4 year School Strategic Plan. 4 years later and we are currently preparing for the review of this strategic plan.

Schools undertake a school review every 4 years to inform the directions of the school's 4 year School Strategic Plan (SSP) (a legislative requirement for all schools).

The first component of the review is the pre-review self-evaluation (PRSE) where schools review their data and other evidence to form a collective view of current practice and areas for improvement.

This is followed by a review conducted by a panel, utilising the expertise of challenge partners and convened by an independent school reviewer.

Concurrent with this panel process, the school reviewer undertakes an assessment of the school's compliance with the Minimum Standards for Curriculum and Student Learning.

Throughout this term I will be keeping our community up to date with our progress preparing for the review. I will also be conducting various student forums to collect their feedback on the last four years.

Our school review will take place in Term 1, 2024.

VALUE AWARD WINNERS

Congratulations to our values award winners. This term we are consolidating our understanding of all three of our new school values this term.



2024 FOUNDATION ORIENTATION DATES.

Our 6 week program commences next week!

We can't wait to see all of our 2024 prep students.

During these session times there will be a number of parent/caregiver/guardian information sessions as well as time to have a cuppa and a chat each week.



Dates:

Session 1	9:00 – 10:00am	Thursday 19 th October
Session 2	9:00 – 10:30am	Thursday 26 th October
Session 3	9:00 – 10:30am	Thursday 2 nd November
Session 4	9:00 – 10:30am	Thursday 9 th November
Session 5	9:00 – 10:30am	Thursday 16 th November
Session 6	9:00 – 10:30am	Thursday 23 rd November

The parent/caregiver/guardian and child sessions occur at the same time.

PLEASE LET THE OFFICE KNOW IF YOUR CHILD/CHILDREN WILL NOT BE ATTENDING RESERVOIR VIEWS NEXT YEAR

If your child/children will not be attending Reservoir Views in 2024 and we have not been notified, can you please contact the office and let us know. Thank you.

Warm regards,

Steve Stafford
Principal.



Reservoir Views PS is hosting a Colour Explosion School Fun Run fundraiser! All money raised will go towards our new Indigenous mural and school ground work.

The Colour Explosion School Fun Run will be on 17th of November at 2.45pm

Not only are we hosting an awesome explosion event, students can win up to 15 awesome automated incentive prizes by fundraising via online sponsorship donations.

Students have received a sponsorship book with instructions on setting up their cybersafe, online fundraising profile at www.australianfundraising.com.au. This is an entirely online fundraiser; all cash donations must be converted to online donations to redeem your prizes.

This year if we raise \$10,000, we slime Steve!

Extra Incentives to Fundraise!

- Online Golden Coins – complete fun online tasks to redeem an extra \$75 towards your prize credit.
- Monty the Monstar's Bonus Prizes – achieve milestones to unlock Monty's bonus prizes.
- \$10,000 JB HI FI Spending Spree for one organisation's highest fundraising student – it could be you!
- Our school will win an extra \$5,000 if we have the highest average fundraised amount per student in 2023.
- A Play Station 5 Gaming Bundle – see your child's sponsorship booklet for more!

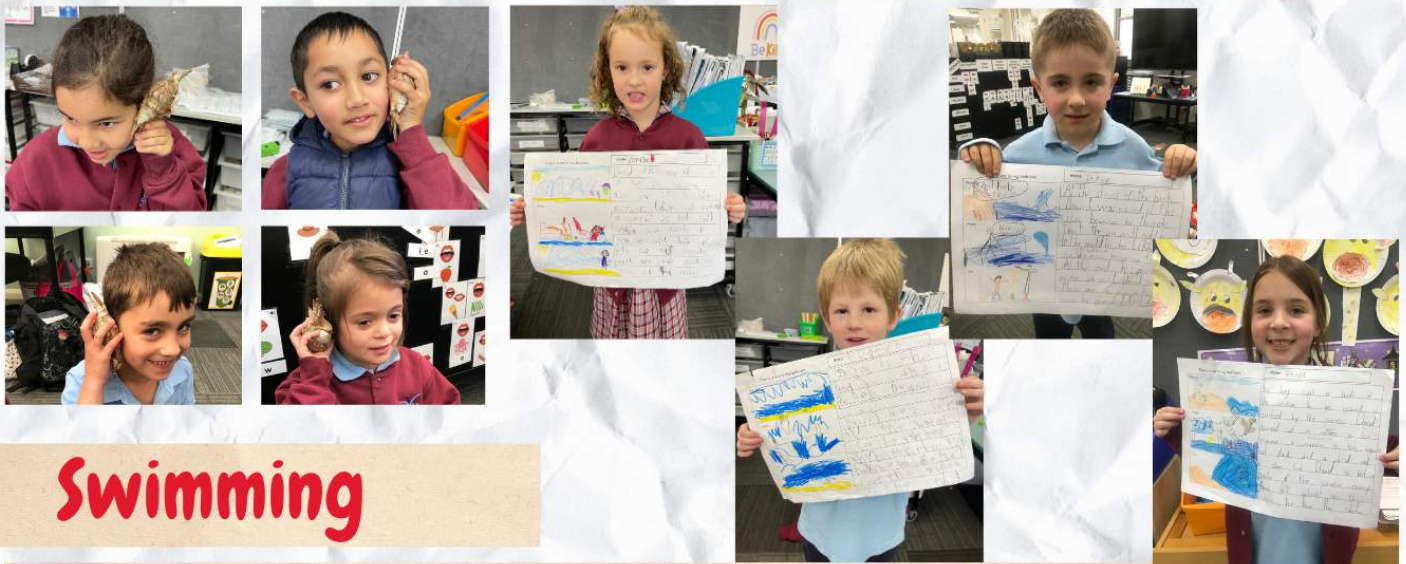
Foundation News

Our week!

Term 4 is going to be a busy and fun term with so many exciting events to come. We have already had the Mini Market that was organised and run by our amazing Grade 5/6 buddies. We had so much fun taking part in the activities that were organised. We have also started the swimming program.

Literacy

Foundation students have been learning to summarise a text both orally and in writing. They all enjoyed listening to the classic story 'There's a Sea in My Bedroom' and completed fantastic retells of the story!



Swimming

The swimming program has begun! All of the Foundation students have done a fantastic job in their lessons and are showing their independence by getting themselves changed and ready!



1/2 News



This Fortnight In 1/2

We have had a busy start to the term! We hit the ground running, getting straight back into our learning. We are investigating simple machines in Inquiry where we made inclined planes and examined how slope and friction can make it easier or more difficult for something to roll down it. In Literacy we have started looking at how we can persuade other people, so parents and carers be warned, you may find yourself on the other end of some very well reasoned ideas! On top of all that we have started swimming as well! which has been very exciting. It's great to see that many of the 1/2s are being very responsible and safe in the water.



Reminders

- Please make sure everything that is brought to swimming is clearly labelled with a name.
- The Inquiry incursion permission form is now active on Compass.
- Homework is back on, please help your child to read every night and complete their homework by Friday.

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2/3/4 AREA

NEWSLETTER

SCIENCE

The 2/3/4s are learning about Chemistry: Matter in Science this term. We have been learning that everything is made of matter, matter exists in different states, and matter can change! In Week 1, a lot of fun was had when conducting an experiment to make ooblek, something to understand the connection between liquid and a solid.



SWIMMING

Our swimming program began on Monday at the Thomastown Recreation & Aquatic Centre. We have been very impressed with how respectful and organised all of the children have been. Keep it up everyone!

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Feel free to contact us via email or drop by the classroom. If you need to talk to us in depth please make an appointment with your classroom teacher.

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MINI MARKET

Last Friday, our Year 5/6 students showcased their entrepreneurial spirit at the Mini Market Day! With creativity and determination, they set up their own stalls, offering a delightful array of services. Stalls such as Henna, Face paint, Karaoke, mini hoops, teacher sponge splash and many more! Our 5/6's worked hard to advertise, run their stalls, and collect data and feedback from the day. The event not only showcased their talents but also helped them fundraise for their upcoming graduation. It was a fantastic day of learning and fun, and we couldn't be prouder of our budding business enthusiasts.



YEAR 5 YARNING CONFERENCE

Last Tuesday, our Year 5 students travelled to Bundoora Park to participate in the Yarning Conference ran by the Darebin Council. This incredible experience gave them a unique opportunity to learn about Indigenous cultures and traditions. The students were involved in presentations and interactive sessions run by Aunty Brenda where they decorated their own travelling stones, and learnt about ochre and how it is used as well as the story behind the possum skin coats, didgeridoos and boomerangs. The day allowed the year 5's to gain a deeper understanding of the rich heritage of our First Nations people. The day ended with all students from 20 schools in the Darebin area singing collectively to the song 'Colours of your Jumper' by Uncle Archie Roach.



Art



Welcome Back!

I hope everyone had a restful break. It is great to see the students happy and engaged in their artwork. The Foundation and 2/3/4 students created artworks out of cardboard.

The 5/6 students painted their birds, which are bright and cheery.

The 1/2 students are working on their Tjanpi desert weaving sculptures.



Auslan

In Auslan we have been learning medical signs for when we are sick or hurt.



We have been practicing our signs by playing games like Auslan whispers and battleship as well as making up and sharing stories.

We have also been learning the signs for different people and using those signs to describe them.



sick he feel boy feel



you our people feel man



woman sick grandfather I sister



girl boy children



Students have had a great start to term 4 in Auslan

Music



In F-2, we are exploring movement and dance as a response to music



In grades 5/6, we are learning all about ukulele melodies and chords



In grades 2/3/4, we are learning new songs and reviewing pitch patterns that include do-re-mi-fa-so



ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF COUNTRY

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RESERVOIR VIEWS PRIMARY SCHOOL

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12th October 2023

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**A Glimpse of Week 1 & 2
Term-4, 2023**



Welcome to Term 4! Last week, Children were super excited and glad to be back in their regular school routine. In group time, children were encouraged to share their Holiday experiences. Together with children we participated in variety of arts and crafts, sharing feedback/suggestions, colouring, and drawing, building and constructions, puzzle solving, outdoor play etc. which were immensely enjoyed by the children. Overall, this week has been greatly fun and creative!

This week we have been engaging in wide variety of arts and crafts activities focusing on our weekly theme "Spring Arts & Crafts. Spring arts and crafts are not only perfect for celebrating the season's vibrant colours and renewal of nature, but also these offer valuable educational and educational benefits for children e.g., improving creative, cognitive, fine motor, problem solving skills etc.

What's Next?

- Accessories Arts
- Children week

Snacks served this week:



- Nachos with dips, salsa and salad, Tomato Pasta, Yoghurt with berries, Rice Crackers with cheese and salad, Popcorn
- Fresh fruits served with every meal

IMPORTANT

Bookings are essential prior to attendance. We cannot guarantee a place for your children without bookings as we must maintain child to educator ratio at all times.

Book from: theircare.com.au

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