



SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

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KINDER KIDS HAVING FUN AT PREP TRANSITION

PRINCIPAL'S NEWS

As Term Three draws to a close it is timely to reflect on the past ten weeks; what's taken place, what we've achieved, enjoyed and learnt.

Our Prep classes have hosted visitors on a number of occasions – Kinder groups loved playing with our current Prep students and having fun in their classrooms during **Prep Transition** sessions. Thinking back to last year when our Preps were Kinder Kids, it never ceases to amaze just how far they have come. Many parents have also called in and our Prep enrolments for 2024 are steadily growing.



YEAR 3/4 GYMNASTS WITH THEIR MEDALS

Classes are now well established in our **new building**; three senior classes upstairs and the Art Room and STEM room downstairs. The library is also there and is proving to be very popular. As well as borrowing books for their individual reading, so many students call in there during their breaks either to play games, read, draw or just chill out in the **Calm Corner**.

Gymnastics was a great hit – junior classes were held in our gym with loads of new and challenging equipment brought in by the Niddrie instructors. Senior students loved the actual Niddrie Gym – ropes, balance beams, ladders, the foam pit and other amazing equipment proved extremely popular.



YEAR 5/6 STUDENTS AT NIDDRIE GYM



YEAR 3/4 GIRLS FUTSAL TEAM

Some of our students enjoyed the **competition** against other local schools in basketball and futsal; senior boys winning theirs in basketball.

Assessments are ongoing and our school **Wellbeing Survey** was also undertaken by all students. We undertake this each year to monitor the overall wellbeing of our students from Prep through to Year Six.

Senior classes took part in a **Puberty Education** program – delivered by an external expert; a parent information evening was also well attended.

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Reservoir Primary School acknowledges the Traditional Custodians of the land on which we learn, work and play. We pay our respects to Elders past, present and emerging.



PRINCIPAL'S NEWS *Continued...*

NAPLAN results were returned and individual reports were distributed to parents. There is much made of these assessments in the media, but at Reservoir we approach it as just another assessment. When we analyse these results there are very few (if any) surprises – which is evidence of the accuracy of our own teachers when assessing their students and reporting to parents.

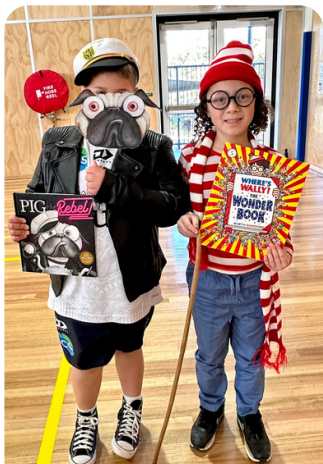
Book Week was once again an exciting time. The Book Character Parade always brings so much laughter and fun, but some terrific activities were also enjoyed in multi-age groupings during that week.



BOOK WEEK CHARACTERS IN GROUP 8

Years 5 to 6 students headed off to Mount Evelyn for their **Camp**. Unanimous opinion was an amazing campsite with terrific food and loads of activities to keep everyone totally engaged. That's just about all we need! See *Newsletter #10* for photos & reflections.

And then our most recent and if you like **“Grand Finale” – the Reservoir Arcade**. I'm sure those of you who came along and joined your children in playing the games all agree that they were well thought out, cleverly designed and built with fantastic attractive finishes.



AMAZING BOOK WEEK COSTUMES



BOOK WEEK ACTIVITIES



BOOK WEEK ACTIVITIES FOR EVERYONE!



AMAZING TURNOUT AT THE STEM ARCADE SHOWCASING GAMES CREATED BY YEARS 3-6 STUDENTS



PREPS IN THE BOOK CHARACTER PARADE



INCREDIBLE ARCADE GAME DESIGNS



FAMILIES ENJOYING THE STEM ARCADE

In summary, an extremely busy, fruitful and satisfying term, even if many of us (staff and students alike) are really ready for a break. Enjoy it, as the two weeks will fly and before you know it we'll be back here again to begin the last (and longest) term.

Thank You
Helen Miller
 Principal

SCHOOL CALENDAR - TERM 4



Pupil Free Days
 Monday 6th November -- No day care
 Thursday 16th November
 -- Full day care available



Monday 2nd October **First Day of Term 4**

Wednesday 4th October World Teacher's Day

Tuesday 10th October Yarning Conference - Year 5

Friday 20th October Bundoora Farm Excursion - Prep

Monday 23rd - Wednesday 25th October Waratah Beach Camp - Year 3/4

Friday 27th October Grandparents Day

Thursday 2nd November Auslan Incursion - Year 5/6

Friday 3rd November MINI FAIR

Monday 6th November **Report Writing/Curriculum Day - Pupil Free Day**

Tuesday 7th November **Melbourne Cup Day - Public Holiday**

Friday 10th November Remembrance Day
 Bundoora Farm Excursion - Year 1

Tuesday 14th November Prep 2024 Orientation Sessions Begin

Wednesday 15th November SCHOOL CONCERT

Thursday 16th November **Pupil Free Day**

Wednesday 22nd November Swimming Program Begins - Prep to Year 2

Friday 23rd November Prep Evening (5-7pm)

Monday 27th November Chickens Arrive - Prep

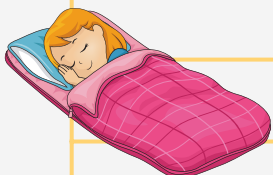
Friday 30th November Sleepover - Year 2

Wednesday 6th December Fun Night - Year 1

Thursday 14th December Graduation - Year 6

Friday 15th December Day Out - Year 6

Wednesday 20th December **Last Day of Term 4 - Early Finish (2.30pm)**



Many Australians observe Father's Day on the first Sunday of September. It is a day for people to show their appreciation for fathers and father figures. Father figures may include stepfathers, fathers-in-law, guardians (eg. foster parents) and family friends. Here are a few messages Group 4 wished to extend to their father figures on this special day.



My dad is funny, strong, kind and tall.

He always helps me.

I remember the time when he taught me how to surf. We were at Barwon Heads when I was trying to balance on a surfboard. It was pretty wobbly but I did my best and finally got the hang of it!

I am very lucky to have my dad. I love him very much.

Grace

My dad is funny, kind and smart. He always helps me when I am sad. I remember the time when we went to the park and he pushed me while I was on a tea cup swing.

I love my dad.

I have the best dad ever!

Macy

My dad is amazing, kind and great.

He always buys me cards.

I remember the time when I went along to some of his job sites and helped him with his plumbing work.

I love my dad very much.

Radin

My dad is funny and he likes driving his car.

I remember the time we went on a holiday.

We often shop at Coles together.

I am very fond of my dad.

I love him very much.

Salman

My dad is funny, smart, strong and kind.

He always takes care of me.

I remember the time when dad, Gene and I went out and placed a Jack-o-lantern at the front of our house. I made it at kindergarten and took it home for this reason.

I am very lucky to have my dad.

I love him very much.

Maxine

My dad is nice, strong, happy and smart.

He always keeps me safe and says "Good job".

I remember the time when we went to Lakes Entrance and caught a 39 centimetre King George whiting. "Good job!" he said.

I am very fond of my dad. I love him very much.

Otto

My dad is caring, happy, helpful and is a Chef.

He always cares about me.

I remember the time when we both went to see the movie Jurassic Park 4.

I am very fond of my dad and I love him very much.

Taarush



Please enjoy more special messages from Group 4 students...

My dad is lazy, silly and funny.
He is always playing practical
jokes and they can be annoying
at times.

I remember the time when we
went to the snow. I made a
snowman and then we had a
snowball fight.

I love my dad very much.
Jayden

My dad is funny, nice, caring and
handsome. He always cares for
me and plays with me. He is very
nice to me. I remember the time
when he fought for a gym in
Pokemon Go and won.

I love my dad very much.
Graham

My dad is kind, loving, caring
and helpful. He always helps me
build Lego sets.

I remember the time he helped
me build a pirate ship.

I am very fond of my Dad and I
love him very much.

Sam

My dad is strong, funny, happy,
cool and brave.

He always looks after me.

I remember the time when my
dad took the family and I to Bali.

We had an amazing time!

I have some very fond memories
of Bali but most of all I love my
dad very much.

Adhiraaj

My dad is funny, caring and
loving.

He will always love me and I will
always love him.

I remember the time when he
slept in my room because I was
scared. He always protects me.

I love him very much.

Bella

My dad is funny, great and
strong.

he always takes me to fun places
like a soccer ground.

I remember the time when we
went to the park together and
played on the swings and had a
picnic.

I am very fond of my dad.

I love him very much.

Abdorahman

My dad is funny, helpful, kind
and strong. He always buys me
things.

I remember the time when he
played soccer with me and
taught me some new skills.

I am very fond of my dad.

I love him very much.

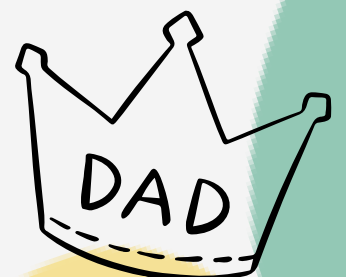
Hasan

My dad is strong, kind and cool.
he always helps me.

I remember the time when my
dad would help me build things
with Lego. He always helps me
during my English work.

I am very fond of my dad and I
love him very much.

Will



VISUAL ART

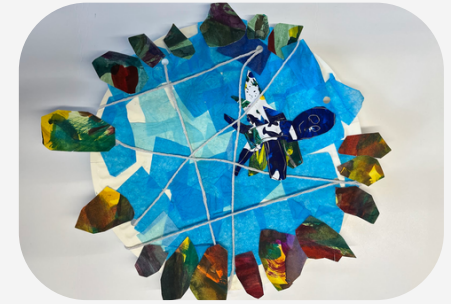
Students have worked hard in Visual Art class this term showing curiosity, persistence and enjoyment as they learn new skills and techniques.

JUNIOR SCHOOL

Prep students experimented with collage techniques, taking inspiration from Eric Carle.

Students experimented with techniques such as painting their own paper, adding texture to paper using rubbing plates and painting tools and making animals out of geometric shapes.

Please enjoy some photos of their work.



Year 1 and 2 students have enjoyed learning about landscape painting, including elements that create depth.

We looked at many artworks by Jeannie Baker and explored how she uses various art elements to create depth and texture in her work.

Students learned that objects in the foreground appear larger and more detailed than objects further away in the middle and background.

They also learned that overlapping objects creates the illusion of depth by showing one thing in front of another.

Please enjoy some photos of finished landscape paintings (see more on next page).



VISUAL ART

Please enjoy more wonderful landscape paintings by our Year 1 and 2 students...



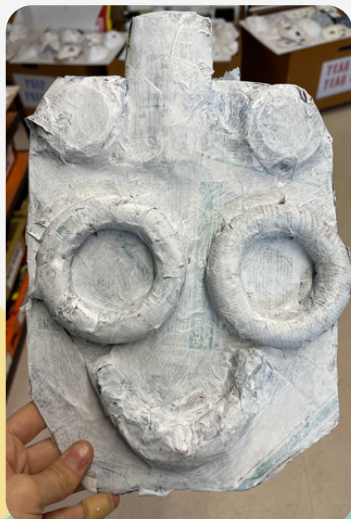
MIDDLE SCHOOL

Middle school students have been busily working on Papier Mache masks inspired by Osa Rosti.

They used recycled materials to build a mask base, then covered the base in Papier Mache.

Some are still under construction while others have begun painting.

Please enjoy some photos of their work.





SENIOR SCHOOL

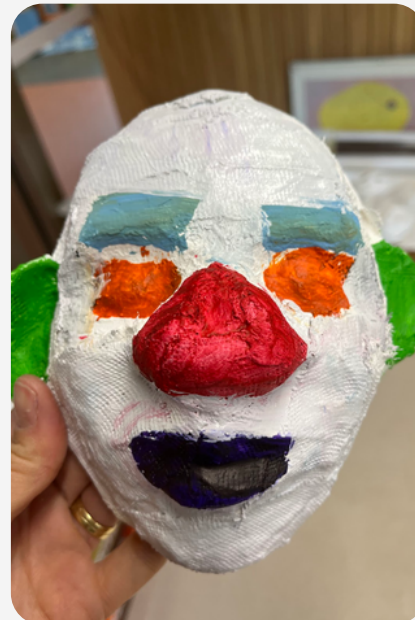


Senior school students have investigated the various reasons different cultures wear masks and for what occasions.

Students compared masks from different cultures and then planned their own mask with their own statement of intention.

Students have enjoyed using plaster strips to cover face moulds and create some amazing 3D shapes by manipulating the plaster into various shapes.

Please enjoy some photos of their progress.



STUDENT AWARDS

Congratulations to the following students who were presented with Achievement Awards!

Week 9

8th September 2023

Group 1: Stefan D
Group 2: Daria M
Group 3: Margot R
Group 4: Adhiraaj M
Group 5: Ashutosh G
Group 6: Leen A
Group 7: Lucas M
Group 8: Mekennah P
Group 9: Louis L
Group 10: Zoe E
Group 12: Serge L
Group 13: Mohammed A
Group 14: Alyeza S

Week 10

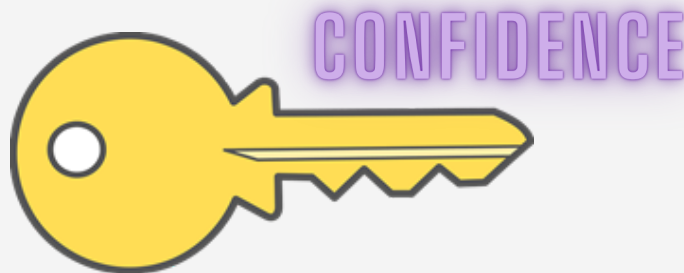
15th September 2023

Group 1: Aryan B
Group 2: Lucy C
Group 3: Paige W
Group 4: Will W
Group 5: Sianna A
Group 6: Mayra J
Group 7: Isaac H
Group 8: Longan L
Group 9: Olive W
Group 10: Gus C
Group 12: Leah T
Group 13: Nara C
Group 14: Lucas G



'YOU CAN DO IT' AWARD

Congratulations to the following classes on receiving the 'You Can Do It' Award Key for Confidence!



8th September 2023

Group 5

For showing all the keys to success by putting in an amazing effort with their arcade projects.

15th September 2023

Group 4

For confidently experimenting with different materials to create a collage and for sharing their ideas and completed work with the class. Well done Group 4!

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