

SCHOOL NEWSLETTER



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PRINCIPAL'S NEWS

Mini Fair

Well it's almost November! If you're stocking up on some Halloween treats, don't forget our request for lolly donations for our **Mini Fair** on Friday. Parents and younger siblings are most welcome to join us for the fun. It starts at 11.45am and will continue for two hours (more details on [page 3](#)).

Year 3 and 4 students have returned from their **camp** experience which was an exciting time for them all with some great highlights in this newsletter on [page 7](#).

Year 5 students joined in a **Yarning Conference** organised by Darebin and the Wurundjeri elders (see [page 4](#)). Our **STOMP** lessons are continuing and again students are loving that time.

Preps enjoyed their excursion to **Bundoora Farm**, photos will be included in the next newsletter. Year one students will visit there on Friday 10th.

School Concert

After our Mini Fair, the **Concert** is the next big ticket item. And speaking of tickets, we will be selling tickets this year.

The costs involved in holding the concert are increasing every year. There's the stage, lighting, sound and the taping of the event.

The company who will video the entire concert will not be taking orders from individual families this year. They have moved to a different costing style. If your family buys a ticket, that will entitle you to your own digital recording of the concert.

We have decided on one family ticket – and that will cover all family members.

We're not sure about an indoor or outdoor venue, that will depend very much on the weather on the day. The last concert we held was very successful down on the back Greenzone (grassed area); held in a somewhat picnic atmosphere. But we shall have to wait and see, as we now have our gym if needed.

And on another note, the **Heidelberg Youth Theatre Company** has been using our gym for rehearsals this term. They are now advertising their performances (in December). There are a few flyers at the office, but I have inserted this also for your information.



Helen Miller
Principal

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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.



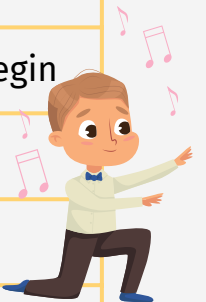
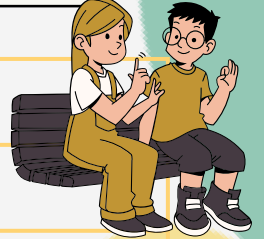
UPCOMING EVENTS

TERM FOUR



Pupil Free Days

- Monday 6th November - No day care
- Thursday 16th November - Full day care available (Book by Friday 10th November 4pm)



	WEEK 5	Thursday 2nd November	Auslan Incursion - Year 5/6
		Friday 3rd November	MINI FAIR
	WEEK 6	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 Bookings Close for Pupil Free Day Care (4pm)
	WEEK 7	Tuesday 14th November	Prep 2024 Orientation Sessions Begin
		Wednesday 15th November	SCHOOL CONCERT
		Thursday 16th November	Pupil Free Day
	WEEK 8	Wednesday 22nd November	Swimming Program Begins - Prep to Year 2
		Thursday 23rd November	Prep Evening (5-7pm)
WEEK 9	Thursday 30th November	Sleepover - Year 2	
WEEK 10	Wednesday 6th December	Fun Night - Year 1	
WEEK 11	Thursday 14th December	Graduation - Year 6	
	Friday 15th December	Day Out - Year 6	
WEEK 12	Wednesday 20th December	Last Day of Term 4 - Early Finish (2.30pm)	



RESERVOIR PRIMARY SCHOOL

MINI FAIR

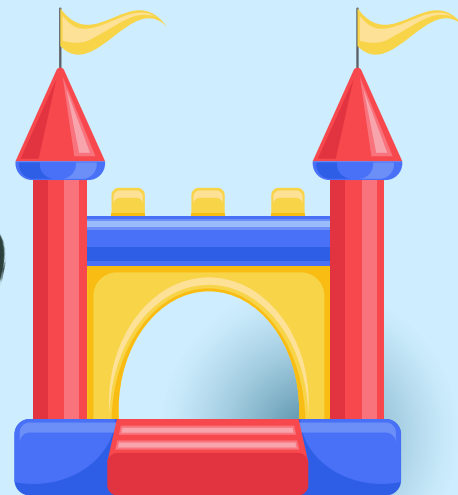
THIS FRIDAY

DONATIONS

We would be very grateful for any of the following donations:

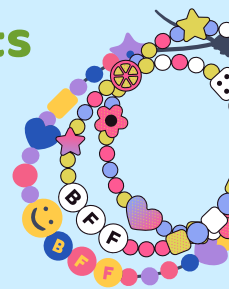
- Bags of lollies
- Fruit tubes
- Frozen fruit (already cut)
- Drinks
- Cakes/Slices/Biscuits (on Friday morning)
- Hairspray
- Face glitter
- Coconut water
- Beads and loom bands

Thank you!



STALLS

- Jumping Castles
- Karaoke
- Lolly Bags
- Make Your Own Bead & Loom Band Bracelets
- Drinks
- BBQ Sausage Sizzle
- Esin's Kitchen
- Cakes & Sweets
- Coloured Hairspray
- Face Glitter Glow Up!
- Mini Golf
- Smoothie Bike
- Children's Books



THIS FRIDAY!
3rd November 2023

Family & Friends Welcome

Students to bring along spending money in a small purse, wallet or envelope.

11.45am - 1.45pm

YARNING CONFERENCE

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On Tuesday 10th October, 20 year 5 students attending the Yarning Conference at Bundoora Park along with 20 other school from the Darebin area. Here re some reflections our students had from the day.

On Tuesday, October 10th we went to the Yarning Conference. The theme was 'For Our Elders' and was about respecting our Elders. Our favourite part was when we played traditional games like Wanna, Weet-Weet and Pulji because it was based on our essential hunting skills, aiming and it was fun! One thing we found interesting was that there were no umpires or refs because everyone played fair and respected it when they lost or won. We wish for more people to respect and look up to our Elders. We learnt many interesting things like Indigenous words, how to play Indigenous games and how important our TRUE history is. We hope the next generation of our country will be more accepting of people.

Erica, Adibah, Mary and Zaenb



Something that we liked was the game called 'Wanna' and in our group. Mary and Lior got the highest score, 58!! We really recommend the game for people to play.. Something that Siddhant liked was when we played "Weet Weet". We used a ball of possum fur called a "Marngrook" and threw it into a basket and that would equal 1 point. Veronica learned about the Welcome to Country and smoking ceremonies. Did you know that the games we played were made for teaching children how to hunt for food? It is our responsibility as the leaders of the school to teach younger students Reservoir School values and help them learn how to make good decisions, as well as teaching them respect.

Lior, Siddhant, Veronica and Oscar

During our time at the Yarning Conference our favourite things were participating in the honour walk, singing "Colour of Your Jumper" and playing traditional games. We learned that Lina's grandfather was Allen Charles and that the Smoking Ceremony is to welcome people and help them feel safe. As future leaders of RPS we take away that we need to respect, understand and help when it's needed. Wel had so much fun at the Yarning Conference.

Hailey, Nara, Jovia, Natalie



The highlights of the conference were learning traditional Aboriginal games that trained our essential hunting skills and meeting Uncle Bill Nicholson. We really enjoyed sharing the deep meaning of our posters and the little long walk. We took away the interesting and diverse culture of influential Aboriginal elders and learnt about their challenging past that they have overcome. We now feel as future leaders of this school that it is our responsibility to spread the right message across our school and community.

ALWAYS WAS ALWAYS WILL BE ABORIGINAL LAND!

Cedric, Gene, Mohamed & William. A

Our highlights about the Yarning Conference were singing, participating in the march and playing the traditional games including, Wanna - cricket, which was our favourite game. We also played Weet Weet - in which we threw a Marngrook (possum skin ball) into a basket, the last game was Pulji. We learned that the reason that the Indigenous people played these games was to practise essential hunting skills.

Something else we enjoyed was chanting the chant ' Always was, Always will be, Aboriginal land' during our march. We learned that during life you should be honest and to not lie to others to cheat or to make you win. It was such an amazing experience!

Aaliyah, Ita, Razan and Sienna

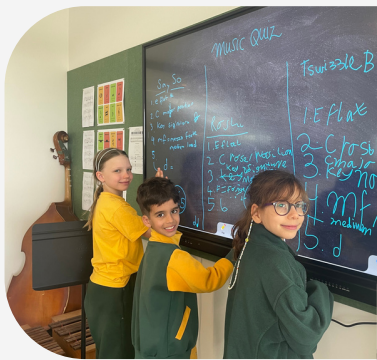


MUSIC NEWS



Songs on the keyboard, note quizzes, and clapping beats to fantastic songs? What could be better?
Roshi (Year 3)

In music we have been learning Snake Dance. We do C major position and a lot more. I really enjoy music. We have the BEST music teacher.
Sophia (Year 4)

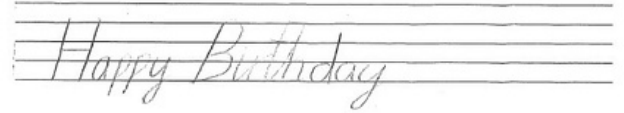


I love music! We do fun quizzes at the end of each lesson and we get to choose fun songs to learn when we finish our previous song. Bianca is the best music teacher ever.
Dana (Year 3)



Writing Music

Year 3/4 music students have been practicing their handwritten notation skills. Please enjoy an example of their work (by **Orla, Year 3**) notating a crowd favourite... 'Happy Birthday'!



Marimba

The marimba is a musical instrument in the percussion family made of wooden bars that are struck by mallets. We incorporate the marimba in lessons to develop a stronger sense of rhythm and beat while playing in a group. It is also lots of fun!

Year 5 Piano

In music we have been learning how to play Minuet I.

It is a classical piece by the famous composer Johann Sebastian Bach.

It is a challenging piece but we have been learning a lot like playing in three-four time, appoggiatura (ornamental notes), playing with different articulation like staccato (short and detached) and slur/legato (joined and smooth), dynamics (louds and softs) and playing with a key signature.

We also practice our music knowledge with quizzes and making music posters for the classroom. We like our lessons and we hope to be professional musicians one day (at least one of us!).

Mary, Erica, Edie and Alessia! (Year 5)



MUSIC NEWS



Music Ensemble

The music ensemble continues to play at school assembly each Friday. The school community is welcome to attend from 9am to enjoy their entrance music, as well as sing along to the national anthem. As we approach the end of the year, ensemble will be focussing on seasonal music.



Solo Performances

We have heard a wonderful variety of solo performances at assemblies from some of our brave keyboard students. Each performance has been special and an amazing opportunity for students to build their confidence and performance skills in front of a large audience!



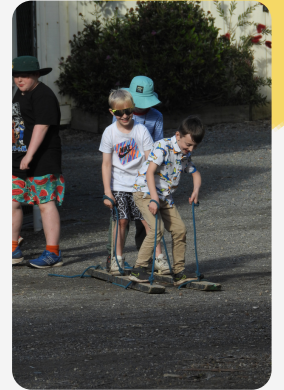
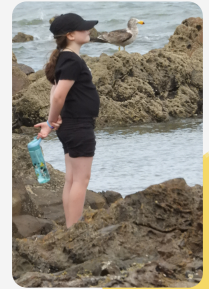
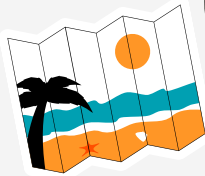
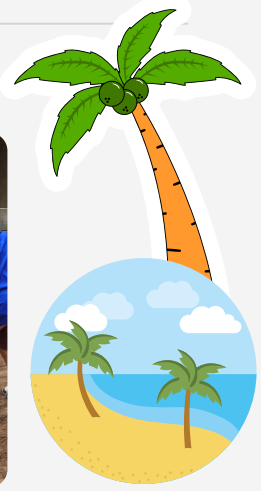
2024 Waitlist

Now is a perfect time to get in touch if your child would like to join the Instrumental Music program next year!

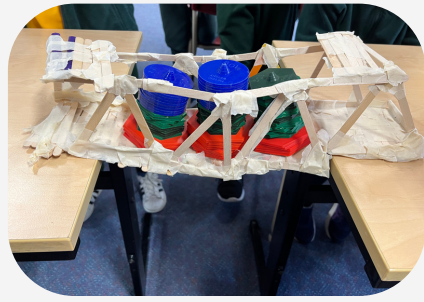
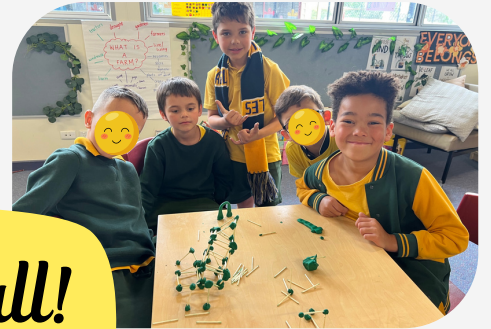
Simply send an email to Bianca with your child's name and preferred instrument (keyboard or violin) and we will be in touch.

bianca.soh@education.vic.gov.au

YEAR 3/4 CAMP - WARATAH BEACH



NON-CAMPER ACTIVITIES



A fun week for all!

“ I liked how we played games and cooked.
Rishav

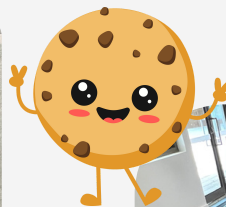
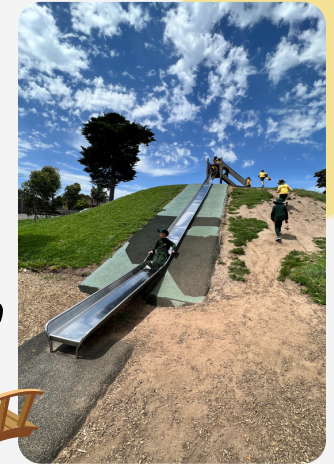
My favourite activity was cooking. We made cornflake cookies. They tasted really yummy.
Isaac

I had so much fun and we went to Edwardes Park for an excursion.
Arshdeep

I had so much fun at Edwardes Lake. We also got to cook cookies and it was really tasty. I ate it all up. I really want to make it again at home.
Abdulrahman

It was very fun because we made toothpick towers.
Thomas

We made icypole stick bridges. Our bridge won because it held 1.76kg! I felt excited and happy!
Abby”



STUDENT AWARDS

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

Week 3

20th October 2023

Group 4 Zavier
Group 5 Matilda H
Group 6 Ian L
Group 7 All of Group 7
Group 8 Elijah A
Group 9 Owen A
Group 10 Peter F
Group 12 Kyra A
Group 14 Lynn K



Week 4

27th October 2023

Group 1 Rehaan N
Group 2 Tanvee B
Group 4 Abdorahman H
Group 5 All Group 5 Campers
Group 6 Anas A
Group 7 Ruby F
Group 8 Abdorahman A
Group 9 Abdulaziz
Group 10 Partap S
Group 12 Hailey N
Group 13 Max H
Group 14 Eli P

'YOU CAN DO IT' AWARD

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



20th October 2023

Group 9

For their excellent teamwork and enthusiasm during our Wiggly Worms session.
Well done!

27th October 2023

Group 2

For showing resilience and determination when learning how to knead, roll and shape plasticine.
Well done!

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