



SCHOOL NEWSLETTER



YEAR 2 SLEEPOVER FUN!



SWIMMING (SEE PAGE 2)

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PRINCIPAL'S NEWS



End of Year Approaches

Hello again everyone,

It is getting very close to the end of the school year; there will be only one more newsletter.

Our editor in chief, Bianca Soh is getting married and will be absent for the next two weeks. We all wish her the very best and will see her back for just the final three days of school.

All teachers are busy finalising class lists for 2024. We do really put a lot of thought into this and I have appreciated the insights some of you have shared with me.

Year 2 Sleepover

Last night, Year Two students had great fun at their Sleepover. Pizza was extremely popular and the fruit disappeared very quickly!

This is a terrific pre-camp experience for these children, as not all of them have been away from home overnight before. It means the school camp next year will be taken in their stride; they'll enjoy their time away from the family.

Reports

Student end of year reports will be available very soon and although we don't offer interviews for all parents, if you wish to meet with your child's teacher, please let us know.

Plans for 2024

This is also a FINAL CALL if your family is moving away from our school next year. It is very helpful if we know before we finalise the class lists.

Our Preps for 2024 will have their final orientation session here next Tuesday; they are excited and eager to start and are now quite used to the space and the teachers. Now they just need their uniforms (although a couple have already worn them to their sessions).

We're on a countdown with Year 1 special evening at school and the Year 6 Graduation still to come.



Helen Miller
Principal

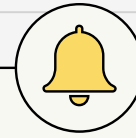
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Reservoir Primary School acknowledges the Traditional Custodians of the land on which we learn, work and play. We pay our respects to Elders past, present and emerging.



SCHOOL CALENDAR



IMPORTANT!
Early Finish 2.30pm
on the last day of school.
(Wed 20 Dec).

TERM FOUR

WEEK 10	Wednesday 6th December	Fun Night - Year 1
	Friday 8th December	Arts Centre Excursion - Groups 4 & 7
WEEK 11	Tuesday 12th December	Transition Day (All Year Levels)
	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)



2024

TERM ONE

29 January - 28 March



WEEK 1	Monday 29th January	Office Reopens (9am-4pm)
	Tuesday 30th January	<u>Year 1 to Year 6</u> Students Begin School
	Thursday 1st February	<u>Prep</u> Students Begin School
WEEK 9	Thursday 28th March	Last Day of Term 1

TERM TWO

15 April - 28 June

TERM THREE

15 July - 20 September

TERM FOUR

7 October - 20 December

GROUPS 9 & 10 - SWIMMING

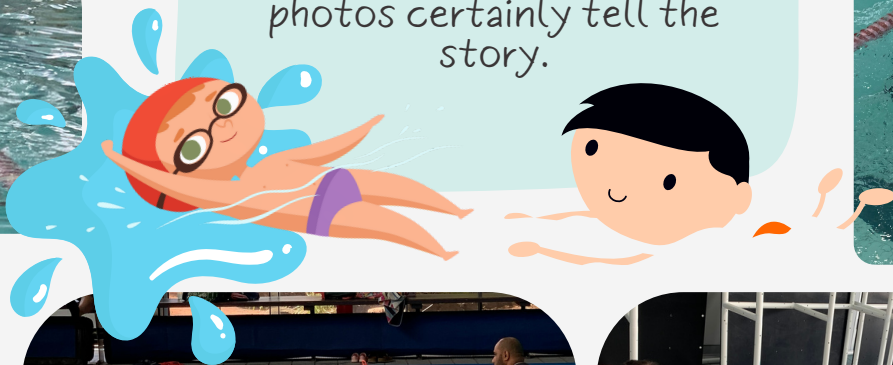


Splash, Splash!
Here we go! Swimmers on,
towels in our bags.

Our Year 1 students have
been so excited to start
their swimming lessons at
Reservoir Leisure Centre.

It is wonderful to see the
students gaining confidence
in the water and improving
their skills each week.

And most importantly,
having lots of fun, and these
photos certainly tell the
story.



YOUNG LEADER - 2023 REFLECTIONS

I loved being a young leader in 2023. The meetings were so fun! During the meetings we all got together to report and discuss what had happened the week before. The Young Leaders were responsible for sports borrowing and speaking at assembly. We would go over our duties and practise the acknowledgement of country. Another thing I loved about being a Young Leader was getting to make posters for all the different events such as Mini Fair and the Family Picnic. I have enjoyed the opportunity to be a role model for my fellow RPS students. Over the year being a Young leader has made me feel more brave, confident and strong as a leader. I have learnt a lot and highly recommend being a Young Leader because it helps you grow as a person and prepares you for life.

Evie - Group 8

I feel so privileged to be a Young Leader in 2023. I am proud of our leadership team this year and the things we have done. The Calm corner gives kids a quiet place to calm their nervous system when they are sad, tired, or angry. We raised Bullying Zero and Wear it Purple days, to help everybody feel safe in our school. I have enjoyed improving my public speaking by being MC at assembly.

You should consider becoming a young leader because you can help the school when needed. And one of the perks of being a Young Leader is you get extra juice at the juice bar 😊

Elliott - Group 7

Hello Mabel speaking here. Before I begin this wild and adventurous story I would like to warn you that this will be a long ride so hold on tight. My 2 favourite things about being a Young Leader have been running assembly and running the school concert. So let's head over to running the assembly.

"Plants, animals, hills and waterways that we share today" I said. Running assembly is the best. You get to read out the awards and acknowledgement of the country. You also get to tell everyone about what's going to happen. Sometimes you even get to go around the gym asking people questions. Now let's head to speaking at the school concert.

Speaking at the school concert was fun but scary. We got to read out what class was coming up next and gave good compliments. 😊 The day after everyone was giving us nice compliments for the work we had done. I was also happy with the work we did. In the end I wanted to do it all over again.

Being a Young Leader is the best! Thank you for joining me on this wild and adventurous ride. Next year I would like YOU to be a young Leader. Mabel signing out. 😊

By Mabel - Group 6

YL REFLECTION **Lucas - Group 14**

I have been a Young Leader twice at RPS. The first time I was a YL was in Grade 4 with Noah and Maicie. It was really fun and exciting, even though half of the year was in lockdown and we had to stay home. It was still a good experience and we got experience talking at assembly.

The next time I was a Young Leader was in Grade 6 with Maitreyi. We helped organise lots of events like the Mini Fair and sold merchandise for Remembrance Day.

I have really enjoyed talking at assembly, doing fundraising, sports borrowing, drawing posters, visiting classrooms to share information and much more.

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Being a Young Leader has given me so many opportunities to help the school as well as improve my confidence. You get to do many fun and interesting things such as; school photo organisation in which you get to help call all the classes when it's their turn for photos and sports borrowing which helps you improve your organisation skills. Another part of being a Young Leader is visiting classrooms to share important information, helping improve your public speaking ability and confidence. This is only a slight peek of things that make being a YL so amazing and is why I believe that you too should also apply to be a Young Leader for 2024.



Maitreyi - Group 14



Get comfy readers because we're going on a wild ride through my young leader's reflection. It was an amazing semester so you will be here for a while...

Being a young leader is amazing; if you're a young leader you get to do fun activities like make posters and read at assembly. My favourite thing about being a young leader is sharing other students' ideas and complaints.

Reservoir Primary School held a 2023 school concert. The concert had four young leaders as hosts. The young leaders who had been chosen to be the hosts were my best friend, two grade sixes, and me. I would give the school concert 10 out of 10, not just for all the classes' groovy dance moves, but also for the young leaders who helped MC this event. Everyone loved the concert.

If you are a young leader you also have a job to make posters on the computer or handwritten for lots of events that happen in Reservoir Primary. One event I made a poster for this year was the Mini Fair. I added a long list of what all the activities would be at the Mini Fair.

All the young leaders encourage anyone who wants to be a young leader to apply!

This is Ottalie, signing out!

Ottalie - Group 6

*What do you do if you are a Young Leader?
Do you only work?*

Well there's more to it than you think. We get to do cool stuff like announcing at assembly and handing out awards!

It's definitely like having a job and it is a once in lifetime opportunity to be a young leader. We do everything we can to be responsible and I can assure you it's definitely fun. We were also involved in the bicycle smoothie day and we got extra smoothies because some ingredients were left over.

We often made posters and planned for upcoming events like the mini fair, pyjama day, bully zero day and many more. And the best thing according to me will be doing speech at the school concert and other MC duties.

I would definitely recommend people apply to be a Young leader next year as it gives a fun and responsible feeling and is a simple step process. I assure you that you won't regret it.

Shatakshi - Group 13



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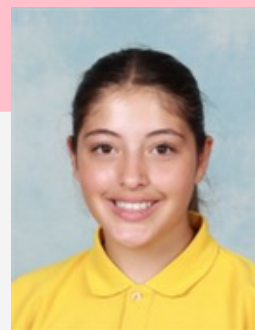
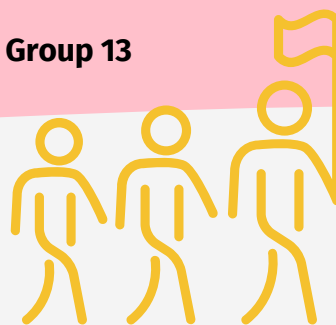
This year I wrote an application to be a young leader at Reservoir Primary school. Many people applied but I was one of the people who was chosen. I was very excited to see that I got accepted because I tried every year and never got picked until my last year of school. I am going to get into some things that you can do when you are a young leader. Near the start of the year our school won a smoothie bike and we got to have a day where we made smoothies with the bike. every class did it that day and you were only allowed 1-2 smoothies but the young leaders got called down later and got to all have extra smoothies.

The amount of fun things the young leaders get to do is amazing like making posters to advertise things that were happening at the school and attend meetings that happen every week. In the meetings we make decisions about things at school, discuss things that the school could add, things that are going to happen around the school and much more.

During school photos two young leaders were chosen to organise all of the classes and we helped keep the day organised. We also got to sell poppies for ANZAC day and remembrance day and then when it was all over you got to count all the money that your school has raise.

These are just some of the reasons I loved being a Young Leader and why you should apply to be a young leader for 2024. And if it is your first year applying and you don't get in just keep trying and never give up or stop believing in yourself because I kept trying and I eventually got in.

Salina - Group 13



Hey you! Yes, you, being a Young Leader is SUPER fun. You have meetings once a week (or fortnight) to talk and plan about important events such as the mini fair, pyjama day and superhiro day (we even proposed a crazy hair day).

Once or twice a Term (depending on your group) you run sports borrowing and assembly for a week. We also read acknowledgment of country. After the Wonder program, we selected sports equipment.

After the meetings, we got to share the information to not only our class, but also the preps, year 1s and 2s. We made posters for important events such as the mini fair and the referendum. You should be a Young Leader because it's a unique experience and it's a one in a lifetime opportunity.

Rafael - Group 8



Design Technologies

With Group 14

As a part of our "Come Dine With Me", students learned about where food comes from, food safety and hygiene procedures and created a menu where they had to choose one item to create at school. Students used the design process to plan, manage, produce and evaluate their completed product.



Cooking is fun but have you thought of all the hygiene procedures? Hygiene is very important because if not followed, can cause sickness. Our teamwork was pretty good and the fruit platter was successful. We should have added more mango and microwaved the chocolate chips. We really took hygiene seriously, with many steps to ensure the food wasn't contaminated. We made a wonder and yummy fruit platter.
Maicie, Bear, Lucas and Koichi

We made sandwiches. The recipe did not work out like we expected but it turned out alright. I think that we should make the slices more equal and made a sandwich that looked more like subway. It still turned out great!

Ceyhun, Jose, Amreen and Deagan



Wow! Cooking was excellent! We made fruit salad with our group. We used all the correct hygiene procedures but we could have cut the fruit smaller and added less juice. We finished in the time we had and had a taste test it was amazing!

Aarav, Alyeza and Sameeha



After scrolling on lots of different websites, we finally found the perfect recipe. We attempted the big cheese! Oh no! Something dreadful had happened. We'd run out of our main ingredient, mascarpone! We frantically searched for a substitute. After what seemed like a the most stressful few minutes of our lives, our superstar teacher, Mrs Macheda, found an alternative in Bulla cream. As we used this, the cheesecake didn't set even after 24 hours. We feel that next time, we should tally the measurements properly and read the recipe more thoroughly.

Maitreyi, Sachi, Stella, Jomore and Lynn



Hey, have you ever thought, I want to make this? Then have you thought, I am probably not capable of making this. Well, you know what? Just got for it! That's exactly what our group did on the 28th of November. Our group made a scrumptious meal. It was called an Oreo fridge crumble cake. And yes, it was as delicious as it sounds. While we were making our cake, we crushed our oreos in a bag but poked holes twice and we were missing one ingredient, pudding mix. So we made a replacement for the pudding mix. Unfortunately, we added mix to our mix so we had to scratch out entire top layer. We followed all the food safety and hygiene procedures, but overall we made a great yummy meal, even with all the bumps along the way.
Aaliyah, Ita, Sienna and Layla



"Smash! Crunch!" Our ice was getting crushed in the blender and our strawberry sauce was melting and becoming one big ice block. We tried to fix it by trying many different things but nothing seemed to work. We decided to taste the ice that was crushed. It was actually quite yummy! We would definitely make it again!

Alessia, Edie, Mary and Erica



Have you ever wondered about how many hygiene procedures restaurant have to go through everyday? We went through the procedures in our double cooking session. We chose to make a lemon slice. We think the sweetness balanced with the sourness of the lemon. When we tasted it, it was really good. The only change we would make is to put less sugar. It was a 10/10.

Eli, Mohamed and Tim



STUDENT AWARDS

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

Week 8

24th November 2023

- Group 1 Lily A
- Group 2 Otis LW
- Group 3 Zinzi
- Group 4 Macy A
- Group 5 Lev R
- Group 6 Isla K
- Group 7 Thomas H
- Group 8 Evelyn F
- Group 9 Aks C
- Group 10 Eric H
- Group 12 Noah L
- Group 13 Wesam H
- Group 14 Layla L



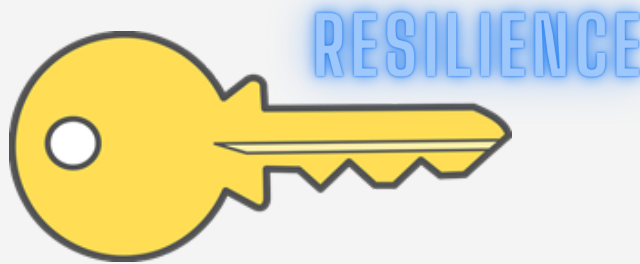
Week 9

1st December 2023

- Group 1 Tyler M
- Group 2 Max E
- Group 3 Mabel F
- Group 4 Grace N
- Group 5 Roshi N
- Group 6 Oliver TW
- Group 7 Juke S
- Group 8 Vivian M
- Group 9 Levi L
- Group 10 Aarav S
- Group 12 Amal P
- Group 13 Natalie C
- Group 14 Mohamed BK

'YOU CAN DO IT' AWARD

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



24th November 2023

Group 13

For demonstrating excellent teamwork and problem solving skills when working on their animal adaptations projects in STEM. Well done!

1st December 2023

Group 12

For showing resilience while working on split year level tasks in the Art room. Well done!

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