

SCHOOL NEWSLETTER



FOOTY COLOURS DAY



CONGRATS TO OUR NEWLY APPOINTED SCHOOL PRINCIPAL - CAROLYN BAMBERG!



YEAR 2 SLEEPOVER



FOOTY PARADE FUN

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PRINCIPAL'S NEWS

Dear RPS Community,

It's hard to believe this is the final day of Term 3! This term has been jampacked with exciting events and news, culminating in Footy Colours Day and the amazing Year 2 sleepover last night. There were certainly some tired bodies (staff too!) today but we had fun.

Mini Fair

Mini-fair is happening again next term in *Week 4*. Please look out for ways you can support this great fun afternoon with donations for stalls. You may also want to run a stall yourself to raise money for the school. Look out for more information in this newsletter.

Trivia Night - Save the Date!

Our Parents and Friends Association has been working hard to plan a Trivia Night next term. I hear last year this was a great success, and lots of fun too. Please save the date for *Saturday 16 November*; please note this is an event for the adults only.

Art Show & Community Afternoon

Please note that our Art Show next term has been moved to *Week 7*. This is a great exhibition of our students' amazing talents. Community members have an opportunity to view the show on *Friday 22 November from 3:30pm-5pm*, and we invite families to bring along a picnic to enjoy on the oval too.

Planned Curriculum Day - Monday 4 November

Please be reminded that there will be no classes scheduled and a student free day. We will also not offer OSHC on this day. Staff will spend the day on Assessment and Reporting.

Buildings and Grounds Committee

If you would like to be part of this committee, please email reservoir.ps@education.vic.gov.au. We will meet once per month onsite, often to walk around the school, to discuss grounds improvements and repairs.

School Saving Bonus Form - Due by 11 October

Today, students have received an envelope with information regarding the *School Saving Bonus for 2025*. Please return the *Data Collection* form by 11 October with your up-to-date contact details to ensure that each child receives the bonus.

Prep 2025 Orientation - Changed to Wednesdays

Please note that Prep 2025 Orientation sessions have been *changed to Wednesdays* (to allow for the whole teaching team to be present) and will run from 11.45am-12.45pm on the following dates: *13 November, 20 November, 27 November and 4 December*.

Thank you once again for your well wishes and support of me this term; I look forward to serve RPS for the coming years.

Have a safe and restful break,

Carolyn Bamberg | Principal



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.



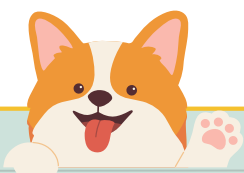
TERM 4 CALENDAR

7 October - 20 December 2024



Reservoir
Primary School

WEEK 1	Monday 7 October	First day of Term 4
WEEK 2	Friday 18 October	Prep Bundoora Farm Excursion
WEEK 3	Friday 25 October	World Teachers' Day
WEEK 4	Friday 1 November	Mini Fair Diwali Grandparents Day
WEEK 5	Monday 4 November	Curriculum Day - No School for Students
	Tuesday 5 November	Melbourne Cup Day - No School for Students
	Thursday 7 November	Prep Evening (5pm - 7pm)
WEEK 6	Monday 11 November	Remembrance Day
	Wednesday 13 November	Prep 2025 Orientation Sessions Begin
WEEK 7	Tuesday 19 November	Prep & Year 1/2 Swimming Lessons Begin
	Wednesday 20 November	Universal Children's Day
	Friday 22 November	Art Show & Community Afternoon (3.30pm - 5pm)
WEEK 8	Friday 29 November	Reservoir Cup - Year 5/6 Basketball
WEEK 9	Wednesday 4 December	Prep Family Picnic (5pm - 6.30pm)
	Friday 6 December	Reservoir Cup - Year 5/6 Futsal
WEEK 10	Tuesday 10 December	Ride To School Day
WEEK 11	Tuesday 17 December	Year 6 Graduation
	Wednesday 18 December	Year 6 Day Out
	Friday 20 December	Last Day of Term 4 - Early Finish (2.30pm)



COMMUNITY WELLBEING SERVICES



NORTHERN CENTRE FOR CHILD DEVELOPMENT

A national, community based organisation that works with immigrant and refugee women, community organisations, health practitioners and governments to build and share knowledge and promote access to health services for immigrant and refugee women.
www.mcwh.com.au

Northern Centre for Child Development mostly has Psychologists. Rebates are available if you have private health (check with your fund first) or a Mental Health Care Plan from your GP. Autism assessments are also available at this clinic.
<https://centreforchilddevelopment.pages.ontraport.net/client-referral>



Different Journeys adopts a strengths-based approach to each individual and family as we recognise each and every journey with Autism is different. No two journeys are the same because no one individual is the same.
www.differentjourneysautism.com



Austin (CYMS) Child and Youth Mental Health
We care for and treat children, young people and their families while they are experiencing psychiatric, psychological and behavioural problems.
www.austin.org.au/mental-health/child-and-youth



Victoria's 24/7 Safe Steps Family Violence Response Centre - Support for Victorians. Phone: 1800 015 188.
<https://www.safesteps.org.au/>

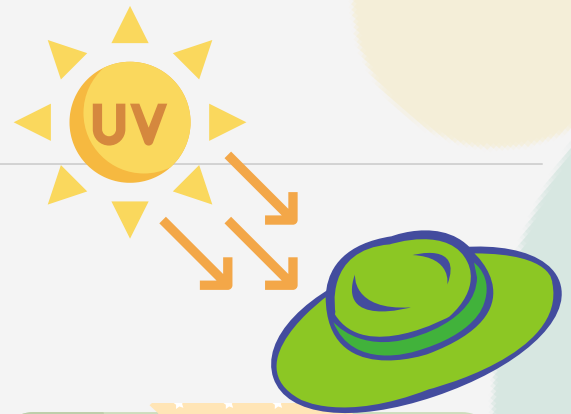
REMINDERS



Early Departures

Please call the school office on **(03) 9460 5798** to let us know if you will be picking your child up early. Preferred times are: **11am, 11.40am, 1.40am, 2.30pm.**

Instagram
Reservoir Primary School is now on Instagram! Follow us at **@reservoir.ps**



Sunhats in Term 4!

As per our Sun Protection Policy, all students **must wear a sunhat** when outdoors in Term 4. We have RPS hats available for purchase at the office.



Auslan at RPS



Term 3 Newsletter

Junior School

This term the Foundation students are consolidating their learning of colours and animals through the story *Brown Bear, Brown Bear, What Do You See?* Here are our students signing some of the animals.

"Brown Bear, Brown Bear"



"Red Bird, Red Bird"



"Blue Horse, Blue Horse"



Our Grade 1 students have been comparing Auslan and English through stories such as *My First Day* and *Dear Zoo*. In these pictures you can see some of the Grade 1 students signing and spelling out some short words.



Did you know that Auslan has two dialects? They are the Northern dialect and Southern dialect. In Victoria we use the Southern Dialect.

The Grade 2s have spent time learning how to sign questions and answers. These pictures show some of our students asking each other their age, and interviewing each other about favourite animals and colours.



Middle School



The Grade 3/4 students began the term reviewing question and answer signs. They made 'chatterboxes' as tools to review colours and numbers as well as use their question and conversation signs.



Later in the term the Grade 3/4 students started to learn the states of Australia. They practised these with a pair colour in task. In this task each student instructed their partner (in sign of course) which colours to sign the states. Look at the concentration on these faces!



Senior School

The Grade 5/6 students have covered a lot this term, from Australian states and cities to Olympic sports and of course plenty of conversational signs.



We began this term in Grade 5/6 learning to sign the states and capital cities of Australia. Then we moved on to learning to sign about the Olympics.

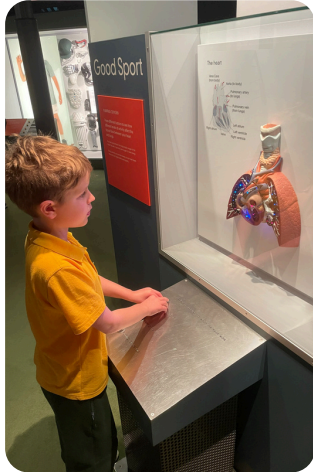


A warm up game we often play is “Auslan Whispers”. A message or sentence is signed to the first person in each line, who then passes it down the line. It is interesting to see the last person sign the message they received!

3/4A STUDENT REFLECTIONS



I liked the Cathy Freeman racing so much that I got faster and faster each time. By Khalid



I was super-fast at the hand-eye coordination activity. My score was a record of 25. By Hasan

Scienceworks was amazing. I got to build my future car. It was old-fashioned, eco friendly and fast. By Nelly

Beyond Perception was full of wavy things and illusions. By Robert



Beating Cathy Freeman was a challenge. By Archie

I lifted cans to see how heavy they were on different planets. Mercury and Mars were the lightest and Jupiter was the heaviest. By Oscar. G



It was amazing! It was so relaxing on those vibrating couches. I almost fell asleep. By Vivian

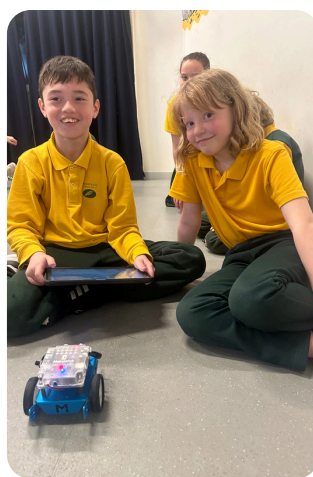
What a total blast of fun when racing Rose on the wheelchair challenge. By Grace

I got lost in the Maze of mirrors. By Jem



Can you imagine saving 3 goals from a VR soccer player? Well, I did. By Maxine

The Sinking Galaxy was so squishy. It felt like I was in a room full of clouds. By Rose



Cathy Freeman racing was fantastic. By Juke

Wheelchair- racing against Vivian was a blast. By Ottie.

Beyond perception was full of optical illusions. By Lucy.

I loved when we got to race Cathy Freeman. By Oscar.K

The heartbeat sound test kept me in the beat and a loop. By Juke.

Racing against Cathy Freeman made me sweat. By Gwyneth



My highlight was the can lifting. Mercury and Mars were the lightest while Jupiter was the heaviest. By Louie



Beating Cathy Freeman was the best. By Donna

I ran with Emanuel against Cathy Freeman on the running track. By Mahra

3/4B STUDENT REFLECTIONS

Flynn: My highlight from Science Works was the sound room because it has options to explore human and animal sounds. There was also an option to listen to thunder and lightning which was cool.

Rueben: My highlight from Science Works was coding the robot because it was a lot of fun. My favourite bit of the robot was controlling it and seeing it move forward and backwards.

Thein: My favourite part of Science Works was the car making station because I could make futuristic cars which made me feel excited.

Otto: I really enjoyed the climbing wall and the Cathy Freeman spirit. I felt energetic throughout the whole day as it was a fun experience.

Nora: My highlight was the athletics area, the virtual soccer goalie, running against Cathy Freeman and the climbing wall. These activities were my favourite because I could use all my energy with each activity.

Mira: At Science Works I loved racing Cathy Freeman because I am super-fast. I really enjoyed eating outside on the rainbow bench.

Florenzo: My highlight at Science Works was going to the athletics space and going upstairs to the Perception space. Also, learning about Robots and coding was really interesting.

Reina: Science Works was amazing because of the virtual soccer goalie and the playground outside. I had a really good time with my friends on the rainbow stairs.

Beatrix: My favourite activity at Science Works was the virtual goalie area. I saved three goals which was surprising for me as I do not like soccer.



Zane: My favourite part from going to Science Works was the West Gate Bridge because of the cool feeling going over the bridge and the quiz. Another highlight was the Cathy Freeman race which was in the sports section.

Thomas: My highlight from Science Works was the electric heartbeat machine. This was really interesting because it made sounds at different speeds.

Rasa: My highlight from Science Works was the Perception Space because it was really dark and fun to experience the mirror maze especially.

Graham: My highlight from Science Works was coding the robot, making the robot move around and avoiding collisions by putting obstacles in front of it.

Abigail: When we were at Science Works, we went to the Stem Lab and were coding robots. I made my robot go round in circles, forward and backwards.

Laura: My favourite part of Science Works was coding the Robots. Mine and Zane's robot was called Jeremiah Smith.

3/4T STUDENT REFLECTIONS

ORLA -

At Scienceworks on Friday, we went into different areas such as the sports area, the space area and machines. We had lots of hands-on experiences like touching the walls of the galaxies, vibrating chairs and glass containers of snow. My favourite part was coding with the robots. We got into groups and got our own iPad. We coded in some instructions and the robot moved the way we coded it to!

SAM -

My favourite part of Scienceworks was when we coded robots. We made them follow all different directions that we programmed into the iPad. I have never done anything like that before! The sport area was the most enjoyable for me, especially racing Cathy Freeman. I even managed to beat her by 10 milliseconds because it tells you how many seconds it took you to run.

IDRIS -

Scienceworks was really fun. I loved how we were in different groups and explored the different sections we hadn't been in yet. It was cool to test our skills of science like how much you could push and pull, your grip strength and how high you could jump. My favorite part was exploring upstairs to the Space area.

AVEAN -

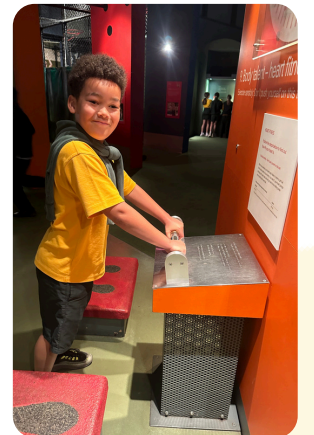
At Scienceworks on Friday, my favourite part was being in the sports area. I raced Cathy Freeman over 10 times but couldn't beat her, I was close though!!

DANA -

First thing we did at Scienceworks was go into a special room and learn how to code robots. I made an obstacle course for my robot to follow. We then had general viewing time with lots of games in different sections. I think my favourite was the sections with massage chairs!

KHAYA -

At Scienceworks, we first walked to the general viewing and it was really fun. I raced Cathy Freeman and won! After that we went to Beyond Perception where there was a white sheet with a light behind it that showed us galaxies and black holes. Then we coded some M Bots by making them follow our directions and move around the obstacles.



P.E. & HEALTH NEWS

Term 3, 2024



NIDDRIE GYMNASTICS



This term, we once again teamed up with Niddrie Gymnastics to deliver an engaging gymnastics program for our students.

The Prep to Grade 2 students enjoyed fun, foundational gymnastics sessions in our school gym, led by Niddrie's skilled coaches.

Meanwhile, our Grade 3 to 6 students visited Niddrie Gymnastics' facility at Essendon Airport, where they had the opportunity to use professional equipment and learn more advanced techniques.

DIVISIONAL ATHLETICS



In addition to our gymnastics program, in Week 9 some of our senior and middle years students headed off to Meadowglen for the Divisional Athletics competition.

These students have been training hard, and we are excited to see them continue their competitive streak on the athletics field.

The students have had an amazing term filled with new challenges, skill development, and a lot of fun. We're grateful for our ongoing partnerships and look forward to future sporting events!

- MR JAMES

STUDENT AWARDS

Congratulations to the following students who were presented with
Student Values Awards!

Respect - Acceptance - Responsibility - Personal Excellence

Week 9

13 September 2024

Prep M Jack F
Prep B Ralph T
Prep C Kaira S
1S Michelle G
1G Khalil J
2H Aarav S
2M Kyrie N
5/6A Pranij R
5/6 OA Mohammed A
5/6 D Aalam A



Week 10

20 September 2024

Prep M Fox. S
Prep B Shivarudh V-D
Prep C Maisara B
1S Jehnayris .M
1G Stephania A
2H Ivy. S
2M Minal K
3/4 A Grace N
3/4 S Omer G
3/4 B Otto R
3/4 T Avean McC
5/6 A Tim M_G
5/6 OA Veda C & Amos S
5/6 D Isla K

'YOU CAN DO IT' AWARD

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

Week 9

13 September 2024

Prep C

For confidently sharing their
knowledge about what it means
to be kind and showing it to each
other in Health classes.



Week 10

20 September 2024

3/4 A

For their enthusiasm and
confidence with all activities in
STEM this term. Well done!

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