

# The Reservoir VIEW



Thursday 14th of 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.*

## Important Dates - Term 4, 2021

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Monday 18th October	Foundation students return to on-site learning Monday to Wednesday
Thursday 20th October	Year 1 and 2 students return to on-site learning Thursday and Friday
Tuesday 26th October	Year 3 and 4 students return to on-site learning Tuesday and Wednesday
Thursday 28th October	Year 5 and 6 students return to on-site learning Thursday and Friday
Monday 1st November	Pupil Free Day
Tuesday 2nd November	Melbourne Cup Public Holiday
Friday 5th November	All students return to on-site learning 5 days a week :)
<b>2022 ENROLMENTS - Please contact the school to book in a school tour with our Principal and Assistant Principal</b>	

## BACK TO SCHOOL IN METRO MELBOURNE

Year Level	From 6 Oct 2021	From 18 Oct 2021	From 26 Oct 2021	From 5 Nov 2021
Prep		Monday - Wednesday	Monday - Wednesday	✓
Years 1 - 2		Thursday - Friday	Thursday - Friday	✓
Years 3-4			Tuesday - Wednesday	✓
Years 5-6			Thursday - Friday	✓

Dear Reservoir Views students, families and local community members,

Monday marks an important step towards having all of our students back learning face-to-face at school and I, along with everyone else, can't wait.

For our Foundation students resuming three days a week on Monday and year 1 and 2 students returning two days a week on Thursday it will have been 94 and 97 days since they have been on-site with all of their classmates and their teacher learning. 94 and 97 days of not being able to connect with their peers and teacher as they normally would, not being able to play inside or outside the classroom, not being able to attend Art, Music and PE specialist classes and not being able to learn within their normal classroom environment.

Our students, like all students who have endured lockdowns and remote learning across the globe, have endured so much and missed so much, we cannot wait to resume some sort of normality.

### **SCHOOL DROP OFF and PICK UP**

Unfortunately, there are access restrictions still in place and families are not able to enter the school with their children at this stage.

Staff supervision in the yard commences at 8:45am and this is the time we will be opening two access gates to the school. The main entry gate on Hickford St and the St Vigeons Rd gate will be used for pick up and drop off.

Once the gates are opened at 8:45am, staff will assist students to sanitise their hands and be there to support them to their classrooms if required. We will have 'all hands on deck' to support students transitioning back to school.

Staff will also supervise and support the pick up of students at 3:30pm. Can I please ask all families to let children know what gate they will be picked up from. This will assist staff supervising students to these gates prior to 3:30pm dismissal.

Can I also please ask all families to practise physical distancing throughout these times.

### **VISITING THE OFFICE**

If you need to visit the office, please use the QR code at the gate prior to entry and please ensure you are wearing a face mask. There is a density limit of 2 visitors in the office area at any time.

### **OUT OF SCHOOL HOURS CARE**

The Out of School Hours Care program that is operated by Camp Australia is still operating from 7am to 8:45am and from 3:30pm to 6pm.

### **FACE MASKS**

While face masks for students in Foundation to year 2 are not mandatory, they are recommended for all students attending school.

The wearing of face masks indoors while at school has been **mandated for all students in years 3 to 6**. I am expecting to receive further information from DET regarding this and I will forward this to the community once I receive it.

### **DRINK BOTTLES**

A reminder for all students to please bring their drink bottles to school.

### **HATS AND SUNSCREEN**

It is Term 4 and the UV levels are already quite high. All students need to bring their 'sunsmart' hats back to school. I also encourage students to apply sunscreen prior to arriving at school and have their own small sized bottle/tube of sunscreen to reapply prior to break times.

### **CANTEEN**

The school canteen will be open as 'normal' beginning next week.

### **WHOLE SCHOOL SWIMMING PROGRAM**

Unfortunately due to the current restrictions and date of booking, our term 4 swimming program will not take place this year.

**FOUNDATION ORIENTATION PROGRAM**

Due to the current restrictions our orientation program cannot take place as originally planned. We are planning to commence an online program starting on Wednesday the 27th of October. All information will be emailed to families and placed on our school website.

**STAY HOME WHEN UNWELL AND GET TESTED**

A reminder that the most important action we can take as a community to reduce the risk of transmission of COVID-19 at school is to ensure any unwell staff or students remain at home and get tested, even with the mildest of symptoms.

Warm regards,

Steve Stafford  
Principal.



## For yourself, your loved ones, your community

**Our community is so important, and it's so important our community is protected from COVID-19.**

**Vaccines protect people against the virus. Everyone aged 12+ is eligible to get vaccinated. So let's do it Darebin. Let's vaccinate and protect ourselves, our loved ones and our community from COVID-19, so we can all get back to doing the things we love, safely.**

### Pop-up vaccination centres - Walk-up only, no bookings needed

- **East Reservoir - Monday 18 October and Tuesday 19 October**  
East Reservoir Senior Citizens Centre  
7A Strathmerton Street, Reservoir  
10.30am - 4.30pm
- **Kingsbury - Wednesday 20 October and Thursday 21 October**  
Kingsbury Bowls Club  
Arch Gibson Reserve  
Dunne Street, Kingsbury  
10.30am - 4.30pm

#### Get accurate health advice

Talk to a doctor or pharmacist if you have any health concerns or questions about vaccines. Accurate information is also available at [coronavirus.vlc.gov.au](https://coronavirus.vlc.gov.au) or hotline **1800 675 398**.

### Ongoing vaccination centres

- **East Reservoir**  
Your Community Health  
125 Blake St, Reservoir  
Book through <https://www.hotdoc.com.au>
- **Bundoora**  
La Trobe University  
Corner Plenty Road and Kingsbury Drive  
Access via Car Park 6  
Book through <https://portal.cvms.vlc.gov.au>

#### In your language

The State Government provides translated information about vaccines at [coronavirus.vlc.gov.au/translated-information-about-covid-19-vaccines](https://coronavirus.vlc.gov.au/translated-information-about-covid-19-vaccines). You can also view information available in your language on the Darebin website [darebin.vlc.gov.au](https://darebin.vlc.gov.au).

# Newsletter



## *A message from your Coordinator*

NEBAL

We have had a lovely week; it has been really nice to be back to Term 4

The safety, health and wellbeing of children are the most important consideration for our service.

Our theme for this week is Creative kids. Our programs offer daily plan of activities that are play-based, child centered and inclusive experience.

Last week children enjoyed The Imagination Tree – Growing Beans on Cotton Balls and everyday children watering their plants. Also we continued raising awareness on children's mental health and wellbeing, Children enjoyed making 3 emotional jars and we will continue focusing on children's mental health and wellbeing.

This week will participate in painting using leaves and this is Sienna's idea. Upon Chelsea request, we are going to make Magic Sand.

## *Activities coming*

- Shadow drawing
- Open ended craft – making Playdough
- Dancing with the streamer

## *What's on the*

- Making pancake
- Fruits Kebab
- Chocolate Muffins

## It's free to register

To attend our program, you must register your child. You can register an account with us at [pp.campastralia.com.au](http://pp.campastralia.com.au) or by downloading our Camp Australia smartphone app from the Apple App Store or on Google Play. Once registered, it's easy to make bookings and manage your account.



## Visit our blog

New articles are added each week for parents and cover various topics to help families.

[Visit our blog](#)



## connecting & communicating with your young person: parent / carer webinar

headspace National, are presenting a webinar for parents and carers of young people.

Information presented will cover:

- Understanding your young person, and recognising mental health difficulties
- Managing the challenges of parenting young people today
- Having better conversations with your young person
- Connecting your young person with the right help and support

The webinar will consist of a presentation on mental health, with a focus on noticing mental health difficulties in young people and supporting them to open up and communicate with you about their challenges, in order to seek help if needed.

**When:** Wednesday 24<sup>th</sup> November  
7pm AEDT

**Where:** online via zoom

**How do I register?**

[Click here](#) to register via Eventbrite, or copy the following URL into your web browser: <https://www.eventbrite.com.au/e/greenborough-parent-carer-webinar-communicating-with-youth-registration-189413339397>

After you have registered, you will receive an email confirmation from Eventbrite which will include the Zoom meeting link to access the webinar. *Please note this webinar will not be recorded.*

All those who register will receive a digital information pack, after the webinar, that includes key messages as well as links to resources & support services.

**Contact**

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