

The Reservoir VIEW



Thursday 23rd of February

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 1, 2023

Wednesday the 8th of March	Whole School Athletics Day
Wednesday the 8th of March	School Council
Monday the 13th of March	Labour Day Public Holiday
Wednesday the 5th of April	Student led IEP meetings - 3:45pm to 7pm
Thursday the 6th of April (last day of term 1)	Student led IEP meetings - 9am to 2pm
Monday the 24th of April	First day of Term 2
Tuesday the 25th of April	ANZAC Day Public Holiday
Wednesday 26th to Friday 28th April	Grade 4 - 6 School Camp
Thursday the 11th of May	School Photos
2024 ENROLMENTS - Please contact the school to book in a school tour with our Principal and Assistant Principal	

Dear Reservoir Views students, families and local community members,

Thank you to everyone who was able to attend our welcome picnic last week. It was lovely to celebrate the start of a new school year at Reservoir Views with a Welcome to Country and Smoking Ceremony.





HOUSE CAPTAINS FOR 2023



Paige and Ali

Jacob and Poppy

Ana and Lauchlen

Aydin and Aarya

Last week our 2023 House Captains were announced. I know that they are all really excited to lead their houses at our whole school athletics day on the 8th of March.



PLAYGROUP AT RESERVOIR VIEWS!

Last week we held our first ever playgroup session at Reservoir Views. Spread the word, it's on every Thursday from 9am.



OUTDOOR SHADED LEARNING SPACE IS COMPLETE

I was incredibly pleased to see the synthetic turf be laid last week to finally complete our outdoor learning space. It is another great space for staff, student and community use and it didn't take long for our students to enjoy it!

We have also ordered a brand new shade structure for our playground next to the bike shed.



FUTURE LEADERS PODCAST

Last year students from across Foundation to year 6 participated in a project commissioned by City of Darebin's FUSE Festival to produce a Podcast Project with children from the East Reservoir community.

Led by academic and artist Claudia Escobar Vega, artist, musician and teacher Jorge Leiva, artist and one of our amazing parents, Emma Peel, they explored our students ideas of the leaders of the future throughout a series of art workshops.

We're really excited that the FUSE Festival has announced the project!

Digital launch Episode 1 and on-line gallery

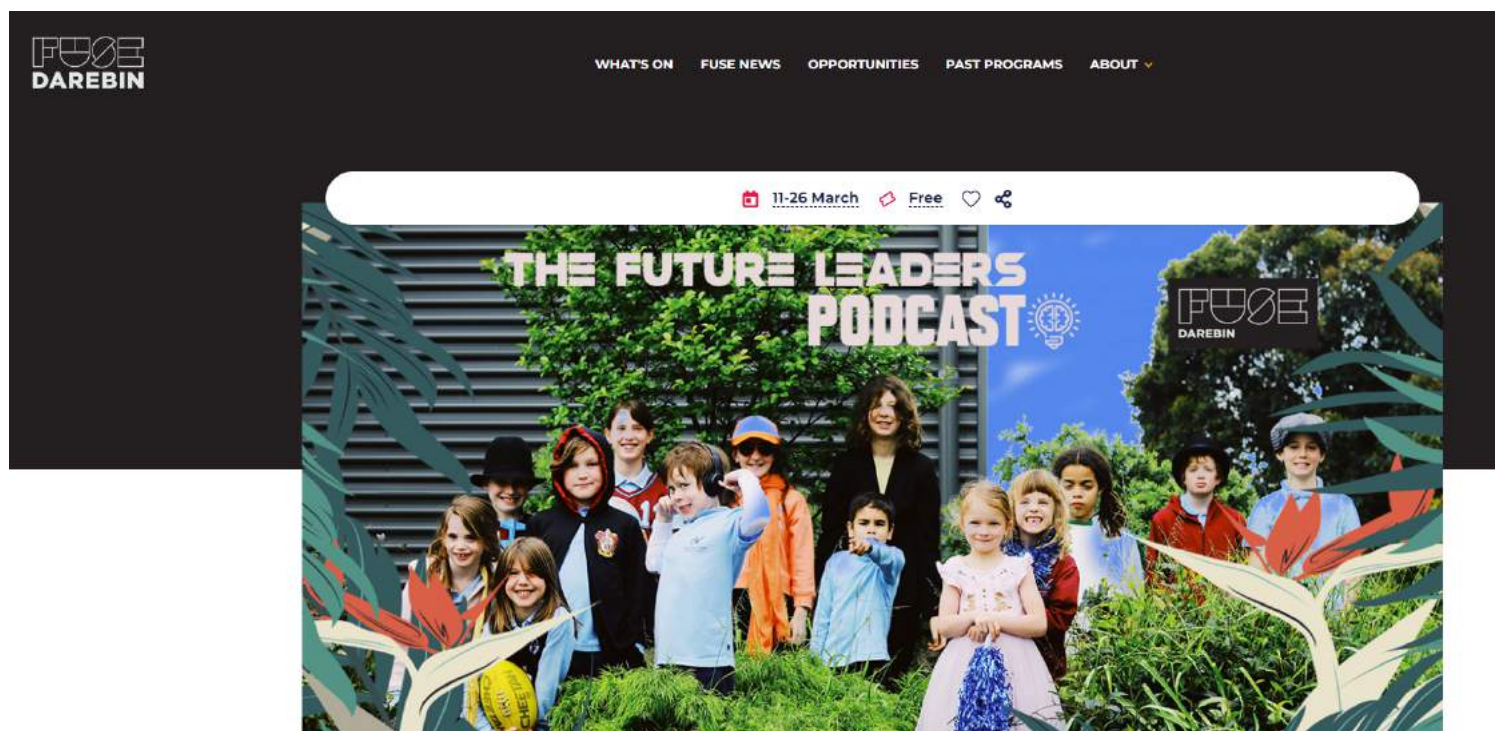
The leader: Saturday 11 March

Digital launch Episode 2 and on-line gallery

The future: Monday 13 March

Digital launch Episode 3 and on-line gallery

The future leader: Wednesday 15 March



<https://www.fusedarebin.com.au/what-s-on/events/the-future-leaders-podcast/>

2024 FOUNDATION ENROLMENTS AND SCHOOL TOURS

It may seem early, but we are already scheduling school tours and taking enrolments for 2024 Foundation students. Please come and see me, Hayriye or Mel to schedule a tour or make an enrolment for 2024 or call the school on 9460-6995. We are incredibly proud of our wonderful school and Hayriye and myself thoroughly enjoy meeting with families individually or in small groups to talk about what makes Reservoir Views amazing and to explore our classrooms and facilities.

TOP TIPS FOR SUNSCREEN AT SCHOOL



Top tips for sunscreen at school

Regular use of sunscreen has been shown to reduce the incidence of melanoma and squamous cell carcinoma.

Teachers at school are not expected to apply sunscreen to students but SunSmart does ask that schools have strategies in place to help remind children to apply sunscreen before they go outside.

Choose SPF30 (or higher) broad-spectrum, water-resistant sunscreen. Monitor the expiry date and store it below 30 degrees.

It is best to apply a generous amount of sunscreen to any exposed skin around 20 minutes before going outdoors. Sunscreen should be reapplied every **TWO** hours even if the stated level of water resistance is 4 hours.

Always use sunscreen with other sun protection measures - clothing, a hat, shade and sunglasses. Don't just rely on sunscreen.

Sunscreen application strategies

- Request children BYO SPF30 (or higher) broad-spectrum, water-resistant sunscreen – one that suits their skin. They could try a clip-on and hang it on their school bag. Not only is it easy for storage but it also acts as a visual reminder.
- Include sunscreen on the school booklist so each child has their own supply
- Download the free [SunSmart app](#) - set the sunscreen reminder
- Add the [SunSmart widget](#) to the school's website so everyone can check the daily sun protection times and see when they need to use sun protection each day.
- Style up your sunscreen bottle so it is attractive and fun to use. Check out the [stop-motion video](#) showing some examples. Students could create their own.
- Appoint sunscreen buddies so children can help each other.

- Have sunscreen monitors
- Store sunscreen with lunchboxes and/or hats so when children grab their food or hat before going outdoors, they will also be reminded to stop on sunscreen. If sunscreen is kept in the cooler section of the lunchbox, it will be cold when applying - especially nice on a hot day. By the time the food has been eaten, the sunscreen should have had time to bind to the skin.
- Set up sunscreen stations with a mirror and tissues for wiping hands. Try a sunscreen pump pack or roll on (they are usually easier to use).
- Encourage children to put a dot of sunscreen on each cheek, their nose and chin and rub it in with squiggles on their arms and legs. Try sunscreen letters and numbers.
- Post reminder notes near the door or on the board.
- Student leaders can make application reminder announcements over the PA
- Play [You've got to be SunSmart](#) or the [SunSmart Countdown song](#) before the recess bell as a prompt for sun protection
- Create a sunscreen application chart to keep track of applications, add a sticker or mark each time sunscreen is applied. Which student or team are the sunscreen application champions? Perhaps they can win some free time?
- Remember the value of teacher role modelling
- Include information about sunscreen in the school newsletter. Use one of SunSmart's sample [family notes](#).
- If a school supplies sunscreen it is best to notify parents of the sunscreen and its ingredients
- For [SunSmart resources](#) go to sunsmart.com.au or call 13 11 20



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Warm regards,

Steve Stafford
Principal.

Dear Reservoir Views students, families and local community members,

PARENT HELPER TRAINING

Would you like to help in your child's classroom?

We will be running our parent helpers training session in the staffroom. If you would like to help in your child/rens classroom please come along to the training session. We will talk about expectations and tasks you could be doing, booking into rooms and different ways you can help.

To assist in the classrooms, you will need to complete the information session and a valid Working With Children's Check, we will take a copy at the office

<https://www.workingwithchildren.vic.gov.au/individuals/applicants/how-to-apply-1>

Dates:

Tuesday, 21st February 9am in the staffroom

Thursday, 2nd March 12pm in the staffroom

Monday, 6th March 9.30am after assembly in the staffroom

Friday, 10th March 9am in the staffroom

BREAKFAST CLUB



Breakfast club will be run 2 days a week this year. Starting Tuesday 14th and Thursday 16th of February.

Breakfast is the most important meal of the day, it prepares young bodies for their busy learning day ahead. As the name suggests, breakfast breaks the overnight fasting period. It replenishes your supply of glucose to boost energy levels and alertness while also providing other essential nutrients required for good health.

Breakfast club is free

When: 8am - 8.45am every Tuesday and Thursday

Where: Multipurpose room

What: Healthy cereals, toast (honey, vegemite, butter), milk, cheese toastie, fruit

If you have any questions, please get in touch with Hayriye.

Warm regards,

Hayriye Ali

Assistant Principal.

Foundation News

Our Week

Foundation students had another very busy week. They are continuing to learn the routines of school and adjusting to the long and hot days. They are all doing an exceptional job. We have begun to learn some letter sounds with a focus on how our mouth moves to make sounds and whether our voices are 'on' or 'off'. We are on our way to becoming readers and writers! In maths we looked at counting collections and data. We have made some class graphs to present our findings.



Specialist timetable

- Sport and Music - Monday
- Art and Auslan - Thursday

Reminders

- Homework has begun. Please return folders with completed homework every Tuesday.
- Please return completed permission slip for the school Athletics Carnival.



1/2 NEWS

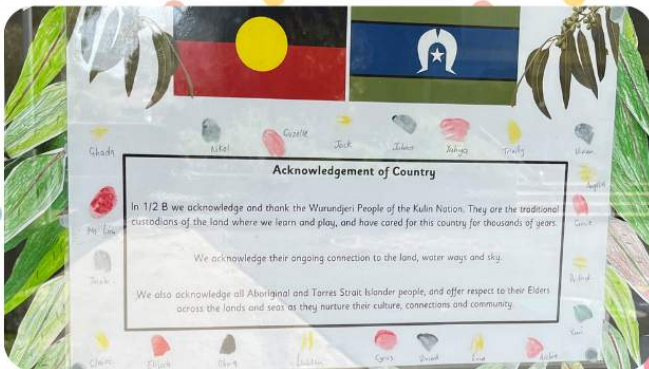
Last week, we were fortunate enough to have officers for our local police station deliver some helpful advice on staying safe online. We were shocked to learn that the average age of online gamers is 40 years! We learnt about why we shouldn't talk to people online, and how to protect our personal information.



Acknowledgement of Country

We spent some time learning about an Acknowledgement of Country, and the difference between an Acknowledgement of and a Welcome to Country. We'd love you to look in our windows to see our class Acknowledgements.

We were so excited to watch a Welcome to Country and smoking ceremony during our Welcome Picnic, and it was great to see some of our 1/2 students so interested and involved.



Reminders

- Please return Athletics permission slips ASAP if you haven't already done so.
- Homework will be sent home every Monday, and will be checked every Friday. If you could please help your child to get into the routine of bringing their homework book on these days.



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2/3/4 AREA NEWSLETTER



HOMEWORK

Just a reminder that homework books go home on Mondays and need to be completed and returned by Friday each week. For those who may find it difficult to complete homework at home, we will be running a homework club session during lunchtime on Wednesday each week.

ATHLETICS

The 2/3/4s have enjoyed training for athletics on Friday's. We have learnt high jump, shot put, triple jump, discuss, long jump and improved our running style. Our whole school athletics day is on the 8th of March and the district athletics is on the 29th of March.



SPECIALIST TIMETABLE

Grade	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday
2/3A	Library & Music	Auslan	PE & Art
3/4A		PE, Music & Library	Art & Auslan
3/4B	Art & Music		Library, Auslan & PE

SCHOOL VALUES

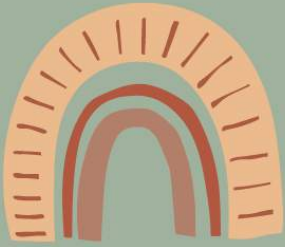
As a whole cohort we have been learning about our new school values, connection, curiosity and courage. This week we helped encourage our curiosity by seeing how many different shadow shapes we could make with our body's.



CONTACT US

Feel free to contact us via email or drop by the classroom. If you need to talk to us in depth please make an appointment with your classroom teacher.

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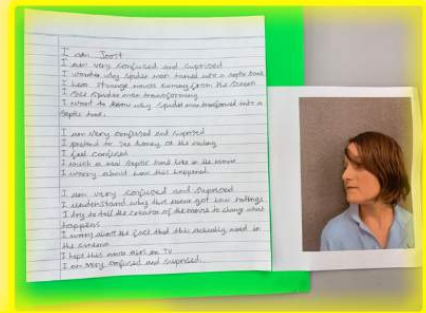
5/6 AREA

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CHECK OUT OUR WORK!

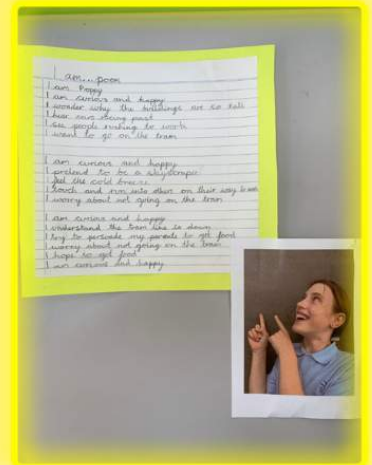
If you are at school, come and check out our 'I am' poems on our classroom windows! The 5/6's created poems about themselves and a moment in time.



LEADERSHIP

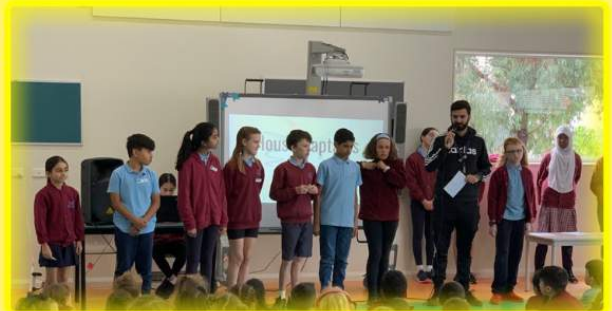
Congratulations to our House Captains for 2023! They did an amazing job standing out the front with our school captains. They stood with pride and spoke clearly to the school and community.

In 5/6, we are developing ourselves as leaders and have created our own leadership groups such as Value Leaders, Diversity Leaders, Yard Leaders and Sustainability Squad. Watch this space as we continue to develop these further. We can't wait!



MATHS FLUENCY

In our classrooms, we have been building on our maths fluency skills. Each day the 5/6's work on their individual goals. This helps students build confidence and think more clearly, giving them the energy, attention and focus to tackle more complex equations.



ATHLETICS

Every Friday, we have been participating in athletics training in preparation for our Athletics Day. We have been learning many new skills such as triple jump, discuss, shot put, long jump and high jump to name a few.



PHYSICAL EDUCATION

This year's whole school athletics day will be held at Harold Stevens Athletics Track in Coburg on March the 8th. We hope to see you there!





Art

Look what we are working on!



AUSLAN



"Toilet"



"Come"



"Stand"



"Stop"

This week in Auslan we are learning some everyday signs such as 'stand', 'sit', 'come' and 'toilet' which is helping us to be able to communicate in the classroom to do our everyday routines without using our voice.

EVERYDAY SIGNS

	STOP		COME
	GO		YES
	NO		GOOD
	BAD		FINISH
	AGAIN		WHERE
	WHICH		PLEASE
	THANKS		HOW ARE YOU?
	STAND		TOILET
	SIT		

Last week we learned all about the colours and how to sign our favourite colour. We had fun going on a colour hunt around the room. We also learned how to sign the song 'I Can Sing a Rainbow' (I can sign a rainbow). Ask your child to show you! We've been practicing.



We went on a colour hunt to find colours in our room and practice the colour signs.



"Purple"



"Green"

AUSLAN




"Rainbow"



"Red"



"Yellow"

 **COLOURS**

 RED	 BROWN	 YELLOW	 PINK
 GREEN	 WHITE	 ORANGE	 BLUE
 BLACK	 PURPLE	 GREY	
 SILVER	 GOLD		
 RAINBOW	 RAINBOW	 RAINBOW	



"Pink"



"Green"



"Purple"



"Orange"



Music



This week in Music, we are learning about BEAT and RHYTHM. We have also been brainstorming ideas for what our school values look like in the Music classroom.



Choir and Band are back!

Rehearsal times:

1/2 Choir*: Monday 2.30-3.15pm

3-6 Band: Monday lunchtime

3-6 Choir: Tuesday lunchtime

Interested students can see Ms Anna to sign up

*Due to popular demand, 1/2 choir will change members every term. *Foundation students are welcome to sign up from Term 2.



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