

The Reservoir VIEW



Friday 13th December

Reservoir Views Primary School acknowledges the Wurundjeri people of the Kulin nation as the traditional custodians of the lands, waters, and skies where we live, learn, work and play.

Important Dates - Term 4, 2024

Friday 13th December	Foundation Graduation
Monday 16th December	Step Up day
Tuesday 17th December	Grade 6 Celebration Day
Tuesday 17th December	Billy Carts incursion 2/3/4
Tuesday 17th December	Class Parties
Wednesday 18th December	Reservoir Views Got Talent
Wednesday 18th December	Last day of canteen for 2024!
Wednesday 18th December	IEP - 3:45 to 7pm - Last day for students
Thursday 19th December	IEP - 9 to 3pm (students only attend school for their scheduled meeting)
Friday 20th December	Pupil Free Day - student handover 1:30pm finish
Tuesday 28th January 2025	Staff commence 2025 school year
Wednesday 29th January 2025	Foundation students commence
Thursday 30th January 2025	Year 1 to 6 students commence, no school for Foundation students
Wednesday 5th February 2025	Welcome Picnic 3:30pm to 6:30pm
Wednesday 5th March 2025	Whole School Athletics Day

Reservoir Views Primary School is committed to creating and maintaining a child-safe and child-friendly organisation, where children and young people feel safe.

All of our Child Safe policies and all other school policies are available on our website: <https://www.reservoirviewsp.vic.edu.au/policies>

Dear Reservoir Views students, families and local community members,

As we wrap up our final newsletter for 2024, I want to congratulate all our students on an incredible year at Reservoir Views Primary School. Your hard work, enthusiasm, and achievements have truly made this year one to celebrate.

I also extend my heartfelt thanks to our wonderful school staff for their unwavering dedication and immense efforts throughout the year. Your commitment to our students and school community is nothing short of extraordinary.

Finally, a huge thank you to our families and the wider community for your ongoing support. Your partnership and involvement play a vital role in making Reservoir Views a thriving, nurturing place for learning.

As we prepare to welcome a new cohort of students and their families into our school community in 2025, I want to acknowledge our outgoing students and families. Of course, this includes our graduating students in Year 6 and many other families who are moving to other suburbs. For many of our families, this will bring to a close a very long-standing connection to Reservoir Views Primary School.

Last night, we celebrated the incredible achievements of our Year 6 students, acknowledging that 1400 days of primary education are coming to an end. It is always a special occasion, and as principal of this wonderful school, I could not be prouder of the graduating cohort.





Thank you Jordy, Jack, Monique, Tegan and Erika for organising this amazing occasion. Special acknowledgment of our year 6 teachers, Jack and Monique.

This morning, we celebrated our Foundation students finishing their first year of primary school with their graduation ceremony. Congratulations!!! It was a lovely ceremony that culminated in a morning tea that the students had helped prepare for their loved ones.





Thank you, Laura, Hasse, James, Angela and Dandara for guiding these students throughout their first year of primary school.

2025 WORKFORCE PLAN

Next year RVPS welcomes two new staff to our school, Amber Gruenhueser and Connie Amoruso. The complete workforce plan is below:

	Class	Total	Teacher
1	Foundation	18	Hasse Russell
2	Foundation	18	James Cameron
3	Foundation	18	Polly Yeats
4	1/2	20	Lou Morrow
5	1/2	20	Laura Nalder
6	1/2	20	Pip McNee
7	1/2	20	Amber Gruenhueser
8	3/4	21	Chay Baker / Connie Amoruso
9	3/4	22	Marina Stathis
10	3/4	22	Jack Mercuri
11	3/4	22	Maddy Jost
12	5/6	23	Monique Galpin
13	5/6	23	Tegan Veitch
14	5/6	23	Anna Trudzik

Specialist Staff

- Fiona McSeveny - Auslan (3 days per week)
- Anna Foong - MUSIC (4 days per week)
- Nicky Grujovski - ART (4 days per week)
- Erika Hopcraft - PE

Education Support Staff

- Mel Owens - Business Manager (4 days per week)
- Marijana Rajic - Office Admin (4 days per week)
- Jenny Shaw - Integration Aide
- Niki Salcedo - Integration Aide
- Jordy Aarons - Integration Aide
- Dandara Alves Reis - Integration Aide
- Dani Mattiella - Integration Aide
- Angelina Burns - Integration Aide
- Antonietta Depalma - Integration Aide
- Angela De Lorenzo - Integration Aide
- Bianca Dobson - Integration Aide
- Lesley Jones - Canteen Manager (Mon, Wed, Fri)
- Susi Allender - Library Technician (Thursday)

Student Intervention/Support:

- Mel Aitken - literacy
- Stephanie Hall - numeracy
- Isabel Anderson - teacher release

Allied Health Team:

- Emily Politidis - Occupational Therapist (1 day per week)
- Aamna Shah - Psychologist (3 days per week)
- Nikol Faris - Speech Pathologist (1 day per week)

School Improvement Team:

- Chay Baker - Learning Specialist, Numeracy
- Connie Amoruso - Learning Specialist, Literacy
- Hayriye Ali - Assistant Principal
- Steve Stafford - Principal

New Staff in 2025:

- Connie Amoruso, Learning Specialist, Literacy and Year 3/4 Classroom Teacher
- Amber Gruenhueser, Year 1/2 Classroom Teacher

Staff on leave in 2025

- Drew El Moussali

Staff leaving Reservoir Views at the end of the year:

- Bec Sanders. Bec is leaving Reservoir Views after 5 amazing years of being instrumental in her role as Learning Specialist. Bec is heading to Springside Primary School and I wish her all the very best while sincerely thanking her for her commitment and impact at Reservoir Views, you will be missed!

2025 START DATES



The start of the 2025 school year for school staff is on Tuesday the 28th of January. On this day the school office will be open for uniform purchases and enquiries from 10:30am to 2:30pm.

Foundation students will begin their school journey on **Wednesday the 29th of January**.

Students in **Years 1 to 6** will begin the 2025 school year on **Thursday the 30th of January**.

VALUE AWARD RECIPIENTS





B & B HIGHWAY

Last week our two year 3/4 classes participated in planting a B&B at Reservoir Views. Four schools in Darebin were selected to work with *Planting Seeds* www.ps.org.au to plant a B&B (Bed and Breakfast for Birds, Bees and Biodiversity) Highway. We chose a space near the art room for this and it looks great! The students participated in two half-day activities with Planting Seeds where they learned about biodiversity within our local area.



2025 WELCOME PICNIC

Please save the date for the **2025 Welcome Picnic**, Wednesday the 5th of February from 3:30pm to 6:30pm.

Once our school year finishes on the 19th, I hope everyone has an enjoyable Christmas and summer break. Please take care, be safe, and rest up. I look forward to seeing everyone in 2025.

Kind regards, Steve Stafford, Principal

F/1 NEWS

Inquiry - Marble Run

We have used our push and pull and materials knowledge to make marble runs!!! We had so much fun designing and making them.



Measuring, wombat stew, fairy bread making and ladybug hunt!





1/2 News!

We have been having a blast in 1/2! We've been learning about ladybugs and even went for a ladybug hunt to spot them in their habitats!



We have been practising our folding skills in Maths by making snowflakes. We folded squares into halves, quarters and eighths and experimented with different cutting techniques.

We've also been getting into the Christmas spirit by making gingerbread houses!



2/3/4 NEWS

B&B Highway

3/4A and 3/4B students spent last Thursday and Friday learning about the importance of biodiversity and providing plants for pollinators. We planted out some new habitats to create a "bed and breakfast" for pollinators. We roamed the yard hunting for pollinators to upload to the iNaturalist app. Finally, we made bee hotels from clay and sand. You may have seen them around the playground.



Investigating forces

2/3/4 students have been learning about forces. We designed, made and refined marble runs that included, push/pull forces, friction, gravity and magnetic forces. We used a magnetic marble to test them and explain the forces at play.

Next week we will also participate in a billy cart incursion. **Reminder to please complete the payment on Compass.**

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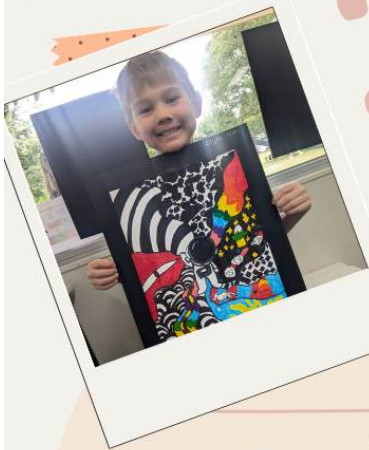
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SPORTS DAY

The house colours sports day brought the school community together. There was a sea of different colored shirts and a competitive atmosphere. It was amazing to see students from different houses come together to cheer on their teammates and compete in various sports events.



THANK YOU!

We want to extend a heartfelt thank you to all the families for their support throughout the school year. Thank you for being a vital part of our students' journey and for always being there to cheer them on. Enjoy your well deserved break!

CONTACT US!

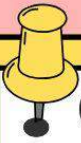
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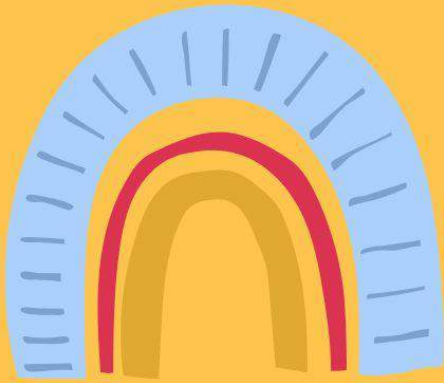
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GRADE 6 GRADUATION

Last night the Grade 6's celebrated their Graduation. The graduates reflected on their past year, acknowledging the challenges, growth and memories they have experienced. They have built life long friendships, responsibility and perseverance and are excited to move forward into the next stage of their educational journey! Congratulations Class of 2024!!

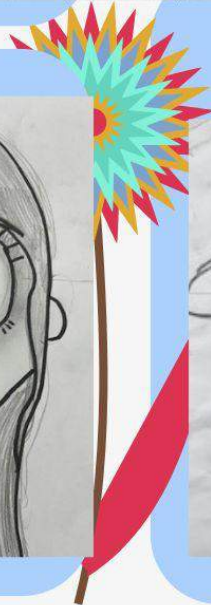
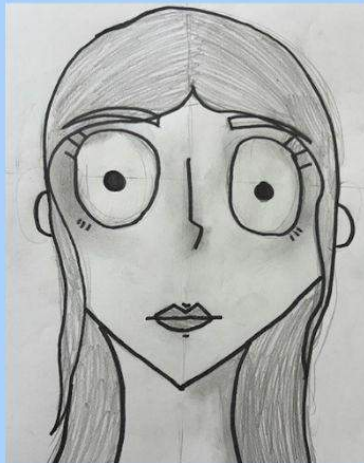




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Burton Style
self portraits



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LET'S CELEBRATE



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What a wonderful year!



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PHYSICAL EDUCATION

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CHOOSE YOUR

FOOTY ADVENTURE KEON PARK



PLAY

AUSKICK & SUPERKICK CENTRE

Choice of Thursday afternoons 5:30pm-6:30pm &
Saturday mornings 9:30am-10:30am

JC Donath Reserve (Reservoir)

Commencing May 1st & May 3rd

Eleven sessions and pack included from \$85

Contact: keonparkstars@gmail.com

ALL GIRLS
GROUPS
AVAILABLE



4-7 year olds

Come find your awesome at NAB AFL Auskick!
An introductory program to Australian rules
football, teaching skills through fun activities
and mini games.

Register: www.playhq.com/afl/register/a6e35c



7-12 year olds

Level up your footy with skills and modified,
non-contact match play in weekly sessions.
NAB AFL Superkick is tackle-free and great for
Auskick grads, newbies and alike!

Register: www.playhq.com/afl/register/34320c



VISIT PLAY.AFL



I am pleased to announce the Big Summer Read is taking place at Darebin Libraries these summer holidays!

The Big Summer Read aims to arrest the 'summer slide' by engaging children and their families in a fun and dynamic campaign through public libraries, supported with resources such as a user-friendly website, posters, reading logs and milestone incentives. A competitive element with statewide (book packs curated for different age ranges) and local prizes (\$50 Readings vouchers and Family swim passes to Reservoir Leisure Centre) provides added incentive for participation. Distinctive state-wide branding encourages participation in the program, whether children are at home or on holidays elsewhere in Victoria.

The Big Summer Read runs from 1 December 2024 until 31 January 2025. To register and for terms and conditions please see [Darebin Libraries](#) and [Read Books](#). For more information, please reach out.

Yours sincerely,

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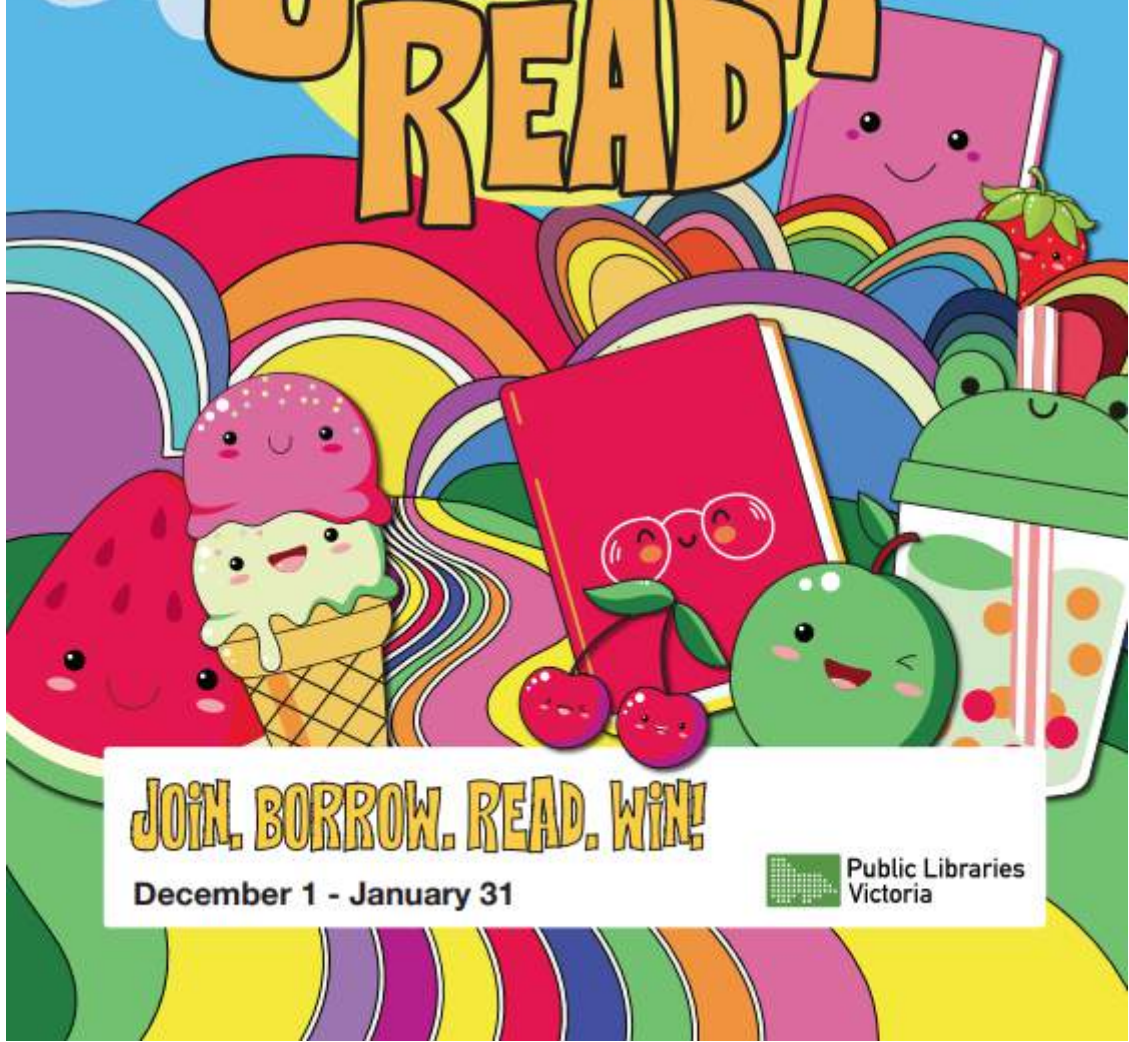


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BIG SUMMER READ!



JOIN. BORROW. READ. WIN!

December 1 - January 31



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