Winter has set in I think, windy and wet weather can make a difference to the way things happen at school. Umbrellas are out and there will be an emphasis on students dressing appropriately when and if they go outside. There are many regional areas that have certainly welcomed the rain – as drought has been a story of life in many parts of Victoria for a long time. We welcome the rain too, but it changes priorities to maintenance issues when a leak suddenly appears where it is not wanted.

This week years three and five are immersed in NAPLAN testing. For three days this week, students will complete tests in Reading, Writing, Language Conventions and Mathematics. This is done in their classrooms, with a minimum of fuss; there is enough talk and pressure about these assessments outside of school and in the media. We want students to do the very best they can and be happy with that… that is all it should be!

Education Week takes place across Victoria next week. Sadly, this is the first year I shall not be here for the events. I begin some leave starting next Monday for five weeks. I shall be back for the last week of term. In addition to my leave, Elizabeth Bogdanovski shall also be taking some leave beginning Monday 23rd May until the end of term. In our absence, Chris Franzon shall add a day to her working week; so Connie Williams and Chris shall be looking after the things for that time.

Get involved, be intrigued and inspired!
Technology in Numeracy, Literacy and other curriculum areas during Education Week at Reservoir Primary School.
Open afternoon Tuesday 17th May 2016 2:30-4:00 pm
Evening event Wednesday 18th May 2016 6:00-7:30pm
* Door prizes and raffle tickets to be drawn every half hour.
Open morning Thursday 19th May 2016 9:00-11:00 am
Kind regards,
Staff at Reservoir P S

Last night at our Annual General Meeting of School Council, the 2015 Annual Report was presented and accepted. Copies are available at the office, but it shall also be added to the website. It was a year with some significance:

- The school undertook a positive School Review and established a Strategic Plan for the next four years
- There were more year six exit students (45) than we have had for many years
- The number of International Students was also higher than in previous years
- Prep intake was 66
- Two brand new portables were delivered to start classes for the beginning of the year; establishing these with furniture and IT equipment was quite a task
- Five new graduate teachers were employed
- Area of artificial Turf was put into place allowing younger children to play safely
- New sandpit was developed; always well used
- Our first Arts Expo was a great success

And I know there’s more; a great year.

And now I’ll see you all again in the last week of term. I’m off to Canada, Alaska and Montana.

Helen Miller
Principal
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       | Interschool Sport  
       | Reservoir Vs St. Josephs (Away)  

| 16th May | Education Week  
       | Groups 12, 13, 14 to visit GTAC at Melbourne University  

| 17th May | Education Week – OPEN from 2:30pm – 4:00pm  

| 18th May | Education Week – OPEN from 6:00pm – 7:30pm  

| 19th May | Education Week – OPEN from 9:00am – 11:00am  

| 20th May | Group 14 Perform at Assembly  
       | National Walk Safely to School Day  
       | Interschool Sport  
       | Reservoir Vs Reservoir East (Home)  

| 23rd May | Years 1 / 2 visit Melbourne Museum  
       | GTAC visit groups 12/13/14  

| 24th May | Ride2School Day  

| 25th May | District Cross Country  

| 27th May | Group 1 Perform at Assembly  
       | Interschool Sport  
       | Reservoir Vs Reservoir Views (Away)  

| 1st June | Jump Rope For Heart Day  

| 2nd June | Roald Dahl Performance at school for students  

| 3rd June | Group 9 Perform at Assembly  
       | Interschool Sport  
       | Reservoir Vs Kingsbury (Home)  

| 10th June | Group 5 Perform at Assembly  
       | Interschool Sport (Home)  
       | Reservoir Vs Our Lady of the Way  

| 13th June | Queens Birthday – Public Holiday  

| 17th June | Group 12 Perform at Assembly  

| 20th June | School Council Meeting – 7:00pm  

| 21st June | Parent / Student / Teacher interviews (9.30am - 7.00pm)  

| 24th June | Last Day of Term 2  

| 11th July | First Day of Term 3  

| 10th August | SCHOOL PHOTOS  

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**Birthday Greetings**

to the following students who are celebrating a birthday in the upcoming weeks:

Hafssa, Lekhan, Yusuf B., Angeldeep D., Aanya, Asil, Amelia, Mustafa B.K., Keerti, Ezra, Jessica T. and Otis.

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**STUDENT AWARDS:**

Congratulations to the following students, who were presented with Student of the Week awards at Assembly on the 6th of May, 2016:

Sakhi, Ritu, Soumya T., Aleena, Nava, Bontu, Essie, Christopher, Alaa, Gurkirat, Sophie, Parios, Kyra, Derek, Alyssa, Olivia and Arthur.

Encouragement Awards:

Japleen, Rokea, Angelina, Amanatpreet, Tiana, Sattam, James S.S., Litia, James K., Muktada, Shakirah and Adriana.
**Wanted - Science!!!**

If you have any empty water bottles (250ml / 300ml / 350mls) could you please bring them along to school for Mrs Franzone?

Thank you.

**Art Room**

The Art teachers are in need of ‘Meat trays’ and ‘egg cartons’ so if you are able to assist please bring donations along to the office or the Art Room teachers.

_Thank you!
Luisa Macheda, Jennifer De Silva and Sonia Boots_

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**CITY OF DAREBIN - CHILDREN’S DAY**

Celebrating lifelong learning
11:00am – 3:00pm, Sunday 15th May, 2016.
Bundoora Farm and Coopers Settlement
Join in free fun activities!
Interactive circus tricks workshops / Face painting / Photography competition
What I love about learning / Market stalls / Farm animals
Entry by gold coin donation.
For more information go to [www.darebin.vic.gov.au](http://www.darebin.vic.gov.au)

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**JUMP ROPE FOR HEART**

Hello Mum and Dad & Family Members!
As you know our school is participating in the Jump Rope for Heart program this term. Did you know heart disease affects 2 out of every 3 families? Help your child to have fun and support the Heart Foundation at the same time. Register your child online and simply press send to all your family and friends! Thank you prizes for the students are part of the program. It’s easy, safe and secure.  [jumprope.org.au](http://jumprope.org.au). 14 R.P.S. families have made a terrific start. Send emails to family and friends asking for sponsorship. We’d love your help!

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**INTERSCHOOL SPORTS REPORTS**

This Friday in Interschool sport we are playing St. Joseph the Worker Primary School.

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Reports for the Thomastown games:

**Netball**: What a cold and windy day to play netball against Thomastown. We had shivers down our spines when the whistle blew to start the game. On our team we had Tahlara, Bridgette, Gabby, Praijini, Sophie, Angie and I. We did really well for the first, second and third quarters. In the fourth quarter they came back with heaps of intercepts. In the end the scores were 24-3 (we won). That means we won by 21 points. It was a really good first game.

Thank you Mr. Di Marco for being an amazing referee/coach.

**Soccer**: Everybody was set to win. We were the first to kick off and started of strong. It didn’t take long till we were losing. At half time, the scores were 0-4. Now we were determined to win. But Thomastown scored more goals. Our team made a plan and our left wing, Yusef, scored a goal. Ogi was always defending and when he got pushed, he kicked Dominic in the mouth. Now we only had 10 players on the field. Dominic made a helpful return but Thomastown was just too good. Mohammed also got hit in the face. Mohamad did a pass to Hugo and he ran up and scored a last-minute goal. We lost 2-10!

We had a tough time but we now know what to work on.

**Teeball**: Wow! What an outstanding game we had two weeks ago competing against Thomastown Primary School. We had a lot of talented players on our team such as Chantelle, Parneet, Alita, Ami, Anqi, Chloe D., Casey, Abby and Leila. We had some great catchers; Chloe took an awesome catch in the sixth innings. Not only the catches but we had some amazing batters too which lead us to victory! The scores were 50 to Reservoir and 31 to Thomastown. We had a fun game and hope to have a great one today against William Ruthven.

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**Special events in Melbourne**

**Stonnington Jazz Festival** 12-22 May
Twenty five events over 11 days in more than 10 venues.
For more information see stonningtonjazz.com.au

**City of Darebin**
Darebin’s biannual celebration of children and families will take place on Sunday 15th May at the family-friendly Bundoora Park Farm.
Entry to the Bundoora Park Farm is by gold coin donation.
Time: 11am- 3pm
Other activities will include face and henna painting, an interactive circus tricks workshop, live puppetry performance and market stalls.
For more information go to Darebin.vic.gov.au/events or call 8470 8888.

**FREE Daily Hays Paddock**
Playground on the banks of a billabong, designed to enable children with and without disabilities to play together. Includes swings, climbing equipment and slides some with special modifications.
Kew East. 9278 4444 boroondara.vic.gov.au

**MANGA WORKSHOPS**
Join artists from ‘Drawing With Us’ from Manga character drawing sessions. Each session will focus on different aspects of Manga drawing from faces to bodies and posing.
These sessions are for 12-18year olds.
Book online at darebinlibraries.vic.gov.au or call 1300 655 355.
Tuesday 17th May 4:30-5:30pm
Tuesday 24th May 4:30- 5:30pm
Reservoir Library

**FREE Daily State Library of Victoria**
Play Pod: Under 8yrs.Discover the adventures of The Very Hungry Caterpillar and bring Eric Carle’s classic book to life by finding caterpillars in the garden, create a munchable feast and prepare to transform into a butterfly. 10am-4pm
**Storytime**: Wed during school terms. 3-5yrs.
Stories, songs, rhymes and creative activities. 11:30-12:30pm
Melbourne 8664 7099 slv.vic.gov.au
Ride 2 School  APRIL REPORT

“Everywhere is walking distance if you have the time”  -Steven Wright
“One of the most important days of my life was when I learned to ride a bicycle”  -Michael Palin

During the month of April we achieved an overall score of 53% and we improved our active travel rate for the month of April by 2%.

It was very disappointing to see how many students were actually driven to school. Perhaps next time you can park your car a block or two away from the school and take some time walking to school with your child. It’s great for everyone.

Here is an overall ‘Hands up survey’ for all our students on the day.

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Outdoor activities are generally good for your health. To be fit and healthy you need to be physically active. Walking can improve your health and fitness. Cycling is a healthy, low-impact exercise that can be enjoyed by people of all ages from young children to older adults. It is also fun, cheap and good for the environment.

The winner of the Active Traveller Award with 87% of students walking or riding to school for the month of April was Group 14.

Congratulations all students from Group 14!

Did your class make the Top 5?
1. Group 14  87%
2. Group 7   67%
3. Group 11  65%
4. Group 5   57%
5. Group 9   53%

See you all again during our next Ride2school morning on Tuesday the 24th of May 2016.

Keep fit  Keep active  Ride2School

Thank you
Young Leaders/Junior School Councillors and Maria Phokos

Roald Dahl

We are celebrating Roald Dahl’s Birthday Centenary this year with an exciting, hilarious, interactive show at our school.
The show is filled with vivid scenes of your favourite Dahl characters.

Twists and turns, surprises, jokes, revolting rhymes- all inspired by the imaginative genius of Dahl-brought to life by the award winning improvisation skills of some talented performers.

Date: Thursday 2nd of June 2016
All years Prep- 6

Please note the cost for this event was included in the booklist at the start of the year.

Thank you kindly,
Maria Phokos
Performing Arts Specialist

QUIZ

1. In Roald Dahl’s classic first novel, James goes travelling on an enormous piece of fruit. What type of fruit is it?
2. Who runs the chocolate factory?
3. Who did George make his medicine for?
4. Who did the BFG snatch from the ‘norphonage’?
5. Who is the Champion of the World?
6. What did Danny’s father hunt?
7. Who is Matilda’s headmistress?
8. What do the Giraffe, The Pelly and the Monkey do?
9. What story is about a ‘Fantastic’ animal?  
10. What does the Enormous Crocodile like to eat?  
11. What does Mrs Twit put in Mr Twit’s spaghetti?  
12. What is the name of the bird who saves all the other birds in ‘The Twits’?  
13. Which of his own books was Roald Dahl's favourite?  
*Answers in the next Newsletter.*

**National Walk Safely to School Day**

Now in its 17th year, National Walk Safely to School Day (WSTSD) is when all Primary School children will be encouraged to walk and commute safely to school. It is a Community Event seeking to promote Road Safety, Health, Public Transport and the Environment.

The event will be held throughout Australia on Friday 20 May 2016.

The objectives of WSTSD are:

- To encourage parents and carers to walk with primary school age children reinforce safe pedestrian behaviour.
- To promote the health benefits of walking and help create regular walking habits at an early age.
- To ensure that children up to 10 years old hold an adult’s hand when crossing the road.
- To help children develop the vital road-crossing skills they will need as they become mature pedestrians.
- To reduce the car dependency habits that are being created at an early age and which will be difficult to change as children become adults.
- To promote the use of Public Transport.
- To reduce the level of air pollution created by motor vehicles.
- To reduce the level of traffic congestion.

Walk Safely To School Day is an opportunity for parents and carers of Primary School aged children to promote safe pedestrian behaviour.

WSTSD will inform parents and carers that they need to closely supervise their young children, particularly those under 10 years of age, in all road environments, holding hands when near or crossing the road.

WSTSD will promote and inform parents, carers, teachers and children of the significant physical, mental and social health benefits which can be achieved through regular walking.

The event is supported by the Australian Government, and all State, Territory and Local Governments.

On Friday 20 May 2016, we want you to participate in Walk Safely to School Day.

We want to encourage all parents, carers and teachers to promote safe walking to children.

For more information check this web-site [www.walk.com.au](http://www.walk.com.au)

**Friends of Merri Creek**

You're welcome to come along to a bird survey along the Merri Creek in May to see what our avian residents and winter visitors are up to:-

The surveys on Sunday **15 May** from 8:45am - 10:30am are at Galgi Ngarrk (Craigieburn Grasslands), Galada Tamboore, Edwardes Lake, Coburg East, Blyth St-Moreland Rd, Kirkdale-MERRI Parks, and Clifton Hill (see meeting points below).

And on Sunday **22 May** from 8:45am - 10:30am at Bababi Djinanang (Jukes Rd, Fawkner) and Coburg Lake.

[Note: No survey at Bababi Marning (Cooper St) this time, due to a shortage of leaders.]

Beginner-birders are welcome to our surveys, as well as experienced birders.

Bring binoculars if you have them, and closed-in footwear, sun-hat or raingear if necessary, and drinking water.

**No dogs, please.**