

RESERVOIR PRIMARY SCHOOL

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WELCOME BACK TO TERM 3

Well, here we are in term three. I hope you had an enjoyable break and are managing to keep warm in this chilly weather. The term is shaping up to be an active and busy one; although unfortunately it looks like “inside days” due to the rain this week.

PIT Gymnastics begins next Monday for all year levels: Years 3 to 6 students need to return their permission notes to travel on the bus – we cannot take them if we don't have that note!

There are also plans for Book Week, Camp Woorabinda and some indoor sports days for soccer and basketball. Preparations will also be made for our Art Show, which will be held early in term four.

Early in August, an Online Parent Survey will take place. The Education Department has selected ORIMA Research to carry out this annual feedback mechanism. For the first time it will be online; parents will be able to complete the survey any time on any device (with internet connection of course) between 7th and 27th August. More information will be circulated to randomly selected parents closer to the time, as they will receive a login code to participate.

Years 3 and 4 have planned an incursion and an excursion to Polly Woodside, Foundation classes will be visiting Bundoora Farm. Year six students are already preparing their year book and planning the graduation event.

Teaching and Learning across the curriculum continues of course; as always teachers putting an emphasis on English and Maths.

It's terrific to see our classroom helping parents back on deck this week; we really value their work and time.

And for an update:

Stuart Taylor has sustained an injury, and after some surgery will need to recuperate. We hope to see him back on deck as soon as possible.

Sue Taliana is on leave for four weeks and is being replaced by Elise Cullen.

Liz Bogdanovski will be on leave for 10 days; Luisa Macheda will take Group 12 full time for those two weeks.

INTERESTING FACT!

All reports were distributed via COMPASS at the end of term two.

Apparently 27% of these student reports have not been opened!!!

If you are still having trouble accessing COMPASS and your child's report, please talk to us. We can help!

AN ARTICLE of INTEREST

Parents and teachers alike – we all experience it sometimes!

When kids bend the truth

by Michael Grose



Children often bend the truth to suit themselves. They sometimes tell fibs to escape punishment or avoid being caught when misbehaviour occurs. Some kids fantasise about their exploits to make themselves appear bigger, more daring or more exciting than they really are. These children often think that they are not much good and so invent a few tales to make themselves seem more interesting. Of course, some children fantasise purely because it is fun to stretch the truth a little. It is more fun to run away from 'a ferocious man-eating tiger' than be scared of the next-door neighbour's moggie.

As a rule of thumb, we should step back and try to identify the purpose of a child's untruths. This indicates how we should deal with the behaviour.

Escaping negative consequences

Eight-year-old Pamela spilt a container of milk on the kitchen floor. She panicked, replaced the empty container in the refrigerator and went off to her bedroom to read. When her mother saw the mess, she asked Pamela if she knew what had happened. The child denied any knowledge of it. 'What milk do you mean, Mum?' said Pamela, with an innocent look on her face. Her mother, knowing immediately that her daughter was responsible, asked her to help to clean up the mess. Avoiding a scene, she made sure that her daughter didn't escape the consequence of cleaning up the mess that she had made.

A matter of trust

Thirteen-year-old Britta was refused permission to visit an older friend after school, as her mother thought the friend unsuitable company for her daughter. Resenting her mother's interference Britta frequently visited her older friend. When her mother asked her where she was going after school she would lie and tell her that she was visiting a friend that her mother approved of. Eventually her mother found out through an acquaintance that Britta had been lying to her about her visits. She confronted her daughter with the truth. Her mother dealt with the matter of the illicit visits. She was not permitted to go out after school for two weeks. This was an appropriate consequence that matched the misbehaviour. She dealt with the matter of lying separately; pointing out that it was difficult to trust her daughter when she didn't tell the truth.

Fantatising

Some children continually exaggerate to make everything appear bigger or better than in real life. In this way they appear more exciting or interesting than they think they are. This is a sign of discouragement. It is best to go along with these children's tales, although you should let them know that you are aware of the truth without bursting their bubble. It is fine to exaggerate, but they should never be too far away from reality. Persistent fantasiers often need plenty of encouragement. Let them know that they are OK as they are. Fantasising and telling tall tales may be fun but they don't need to fantasise to build themselves up. Youngest children in the family often tell whoppers in an effort to make themselves seem important in the eyes of older siblings.

Imaginary friends

Some children will use imaginary friends to avoid doing things they don't want to do. 'Mr. Bear says I don't have to go bed.' If it only happens once in a while then it's a bit of fun. It can become wearing if it's a continuous avoidance strategy. If that's the case, try the direct approach. 'Mr. Bear could be right. But I'm your mum and I know it's bedtime. Mr. Bear can join you if he likes.'

Don't overreact

Be careful not to overreact when children tell lies. It is better to recognise the child's goal and act in a way that prevents the behaviour from achieving its purpose. There is little point moralising about the evils of lying. Children know that they should be good; they don't need to be reminded all the time. Children will continue behaviours that serve a purpose, regardless of whether the actions are morally good or bad. It is more useful to ensure that lying doesn't achieve its goal and to encourage children at every conceivable occasion.

Helen Miller
Principal

STUDENT AWARDS:

Congratulations to the following students, who were presented with **Student of the Week** awards at Assembly on the **23rd of June 2017:**

Stella, Shorya R., Adel, Aarav, Sanchit, Victoria W., Essie, Aleena, Lucas G., Miljan, Isabella T., Lily, Chantel, Hunter and Alex.

Congratulations to the following students, who were presented with **Achievement** awards on the **23rd of June 2017:**

Alyeza, Taraf, Ahmed Y., Mandira, Ezra, Melak, Leen, Xanthe, Lekhan, Sarah, Tannaya, Tiana, Aamani and Adrian.

The You Can Do It award was presented to Group 4 for working well and showing great getting along skills when completing their Science investigation.

Congratulations to the following students, who were presented with **Pancake Parlour** awards at Assembly on the **30th of June 2017:**

Camille, Sachi, Ramis, Jessie L., Henry T.W., Amanatpreet, Sachit, Leo L., Mannat, Hafssa, Kalid A., Vanshika, James K., Oscar H., Mustafa B.K. and Maha Alb.

'Birthday Greetings' to the following students who are celebrating a birthday in the next two weeks:

Safiya, Jamielee, Viktoriia, Sukhman, Shorya, Marley, Ayden, Afreen, Aamani, Aashrit, Mia F., Affan, Mia S., Adrian, Boutros, Isabella T., Seraj, Melak A-I. and Aadhvik.



DIARY DATES

24 th July	School Council Meeting 7:00pm Pit Gym – Year 3-6 (Mill Park) Groups 5/6/7/8/10 Pit Gym at school	11 th August	Year 5/6 Basketball Tournament
25 th July	Groups 1/2/3/4/9 Pit Gym at school	14 th August	Pit Gym – Year 3-6 (Mill Park) Groups 5/6/7/8/10 Pit Gym at school
27 th July	Ride2School Day	15 th August	Groups 1/2/3/4/9 Pit Gym at school Ride2School Day
31 st July	Pit Gym – Year 3-6 (Mill Park) Groups 5/6/7/8/10 Pit Gym at school	21 st August	BOOK WEEK Pit Gym – Year 3-6 (Mill Park) Groups 5/6/7/8/10 Pit Gym at school
1 st August	Scholastic Book Fair Commences at 3:30pm Groups 1/2/3/4/9 Pit Gym at school	22 nd August	Groups 1/2/3/4/9 Pit Gym at school
2 nd August	Scholastic Book Fair 8:30am-9:00am & 3:30pm-4:15pm	23 rd August	Book Week Character Parade
3 rd August	Scholastic Book Fair 8:30am-9:00am & 3:30pm-4:15pm	25 th August	Year 3/4 Indoor Soccer
4 th August	Scholastic Book Fair 8:30am-9:00am & 3:30pm-4:15pm School Dental Van returns Year 3/4 Basketball Tournament	28 th August	Pit Gym – Year 3-6 (Mill Park) Groups 5/6/7/8/10 Pit Gym at school
7 th August	Pit Gym – Year 3-6 (Mill Park) Groups 5/6/7/8/10 Pit Gym at school Camp Woorabinda	29 th August	Groups 1/2/3/4/9 Pit Gym at school
8 th August	Groups 1/2/3/4/9 Pit Gym at school School Dental Van	1 st Sept.	Year 5/6 Indoor Soccer
10 th August	Crazy Hair Day	4 th Sept.	Groups 5/6/7/8/10 Pit Gym at school School Council Meeting 7:00pm
		5 th Sept.	Groups 1/2/3/4/9 Pit Gym at school Ride2School Day
		8 th Sept.	Prep Excursion – Bundoora Farm
		11 th Sept.	Groups 5/6/7/8/10 Pit Gym at school
		12 th Sept.	Groups 1/2/3/4/9 Pit Gym at school
		22 nd Sept.	Last day of Term 3

Special events in Melbourne July

Planet Library

If your kids love technology, books and games, then Planet Library is the app for them! Our new app gives kids access to games, reading ideas, e-books and other interactive features to help them connect with the library in a way that is easy and fun! [Download Planet Library](#) - free from your app store.

FREE 25th- 31st July **Code Breakers: Women In Games**

Celebrate the achievements of Australian and New Zealand women in the gaming industry that poses the question: What does a more inclusive games industry look like? 10am. ACMI, Federation Square, Melbourne
8663 2200 acmi.net.au

FREE 29th -30th July **Open House Melbourne Weekend**

Explore outstanding private houses, significant commercial and civic buildings, infrastructure and landscapes. Includes a program for children with activities by local designer Pounce Creative Venues across Melbourne.
8648 8612 openhousemelbourne.org

[State library Victoria](#)

Visit Australia's oldest public library and explore stunning spaces and free exhibitions.

Free tours daily.

Free lockers and wifi available.

328 Swanston St, Melbourne

SCHOLASTIC BOOK FAIR

COMING SOON.....

COMMENCES TUESDAY 1st AUGUST AT 3:30PM

It's nearly time again for our annual Scholastic Book Fair!!!!

Parents and children are all welcome to attend.

Every item that is bought at the Book Fair benefits our school!! So join us in making our Book Fair a huge success. Last year we received **\$1494.15** worth of books for our Library from the sales made at the Book Fair.

There will be lots of books available, discounted books, posters, gift packs and novelty items so come along and have a look.

Start saving now and we hope to see you at the Book Fair which opens at 3:30pm on the 1st of August and closes on Friday the 4th of August at 4:15pm!

** On the Tuesday when the Book Fair arrives we will set it all up and then show the children our display so that they know what books and novelty items are available. Some items do sell out quickly but we are able to re-order books and these are always available the week after the Book Fair closes.

The Book Fair will be held in the BER Building (Entrance is through the glass door near Group 3). All bags and prams/strollers must be left outside the building.

OPEN TIMES FOR THE BOOK FAIR:

Tuesday 1 st August	3:30pm – 4:15pm		
Wednesday 2 nd August	8:30am – 9:00am	&	3:30pm – 4:15pm
Thursday 3 rd August	8:30am – 9:00am	&	3:30pm – 4:15pm
Friday 4 th August	8:30am – 9:00am	&	3:30pm – 4:15pm



“My grandmother started walking five miles a day when she was sixty. She’s ninety-seven now and we don’t know where the heck she is”. - Ellen De Generes



“Reading is to the mind what exercise is to the body” - Joseph Addison

The morning of our Ride 2 School Day for the month of June was wet and cold. Once again there was a large increase in the amount of students arriving to school by car.

Our **Active Travel Rate** for the month of June was 52%. There was an increase in percentage compared to May which was 46%. **Keep walking or riding everybody!**

Our music teacher Bill rides his bike to school each morning. What a great effort Bill. However another staff member also did this morning. Can you guess who it was?

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

Ride/Skate/Scoot 22 students
Walk 132 students
Private Car 137 students
Public Transport 4 students



The winner of the Active Traveller Award in the Foundation to Year 2 area with 65% of students walking or riding to school for the month of June was **Group 5** and the winner in the Year 3-6 area with 75% was **Group 12**. Congratulations to all students.

Did your class make the Top 5?

Foundation to Year 2

1. Group 5 with 65%
2. Group 7 with 60%
3. Group 10 with 56%
4. Group 8 with 53%
5. Group 6 with 50%
6. Group 4 with 47%
7. Group 3 with 44%
8. Group 2 with 41%
9. Group 9 with 33%
10. Group 1 with 29%

Year 3 to Year 6

1. Group 12 with 75%
2. Group 14 with 64%
3. Group 13 with 55%
4. Group 15 with 53%
5. Group 16 with 50%
6. Group 17 with 48%

Our next Ride2school morning will be Thursday the 27th of July 2017.

Remember to keep fit, keep active, Ride2School.

Thank you

Young Leaders/Junior School Councillors and Maria Mirasgentis.

Open Up their minds

Here’s a few tips:

0-4+ Year olds

Keep it fun, start early- read aloud to babies and toddlers. For reluctant readers, give them a book that relates to their interests or try a series to keep them reading.

5-7+ year olds

Fun and adventure is a must to engage the more competent reader. At this age you can introduce your child to books that will remain in their hearts and minds for years.

7-8+ year olds

“As a child reader I loved imagining that I was a character in the story, solving mysteries, outwitting the baddies and being swept up in the adventure. Now I write those kind of stories...how much fun is that!” Jacqueline Harvey (Author)

To tell if a book is just right for your child use the five-word test. Open the book to a middle page and ask them to read. If there are five words or less they don’t know, then the book should be ‘just right’ for them.

At this stage of their development, readers are becoming much more familiar with different texts and usually start to read more widely and independently. One good way to foster this interest is to ask them what might happen next if the book were to continue.



8-9 +year olds

Kids who like what they are reading progress more easily! Once we take the restrictions away from what children read their self-efficacy towards reading increases leading to an increase in their reading ability.

10- 11+ year olds

Reading a good book is one of life's great pleasures. Discuss your favourite books with your children, share your interests and establish an environment at home where books are valued.

** 2017 Reading Guide for Kids Dymocks

Some Soup

Put some carrots in the pot
Put some potatoes in the pot
Put some peas in the pot
Put some tomatoes in the pot
Stir it up but be careful!
The Soup is hot!



Stone Soup

Heat some water in a pot,
Add a stone you've scrubbed a lot.
Sprinkle pepper, salt and herbs,
Let it boil undisturbed
Drop in carrots, onions too
Let the soup heat through and through



Stir in milk to make it sweet,
Add potatoes for a treat.
Toss in ham bones. Let it stew;
Let it bubble. Let it brew.

Taste the soup and when it's done
Share 'Stone Soup' with everyone.

Beautiful Soup

Beautiful Soup, so rich and green
Waiting for you and me
Soup for lunch oh yum yum yum
Soup for lunch how warm warm warm



Beautiful soo-oop!
Beautiful soo-oop!
Beautiful, beautiful Soup!

Dear Parents,

We would like to thank you for taking the time to make us wonderful soup. The weather was cold and we really appreciated the Chicken Noodle and Pumpkin soup. We understand that all the preparation and cooking can be a lot of work and time but it was worth it.

You are all just amazing and we thank you for caring enough to make a healthy treat for us.

Kind regards,

Students from Years F-6 and Staff.

Crazy Hair Day for Cystic Fibrosis

Thursday 10th August 2017

We host one of the year's most fun and creative fundraising events- Crazy Hair Day for Cystic Fibrosis.

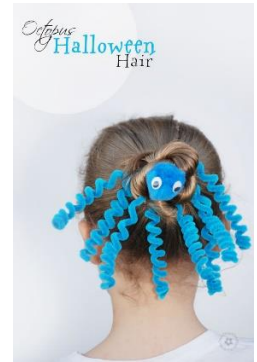
Cystic fibrosis (CF) is a relatively common inherited disease in which from infancy there are recurrent chest infections causing lung damage, intestinal malabsorption leading to severe malnutrition and growth failure, and there is an excess of salt in the sweat.

Untreated, the condition is usually fatal in infancy or early childhood. With treatment, the average life expectancy of people who live to adulthood is about 37 years and this is increasing.

A great way for schools to get lively while raising awareness and money for kids living with Cystic Fibrosis. Crazy Hair Day is the perfect excuse to tease, colour, gel or twist your hair all in the name of a fabulous cause.

For a **gold coin donation \$1 or \$2** your children can wear their craziest hair at school.

Remember to still **dress in full school uniform** on the day.



SUBWAY LUNCH ORDERS 2017

Subway lunches are on **FRIDAYS ONLY** - orders are collected on **THURSDAY at 9.00am**

Place money and order in an envelope or bag marked clearly with child's name and Group and give to the classroom teacher. **Separate orders are required for each child. Correct money is required, no change will be given.**

Please note that Subway do not put butter on their rolls.

**** PLEASE MAKE SURE YOU CIRCLE WHICH NUMBER YOU WISH TO ORDER – YOU ALSO NEED TO CIRCLE WHAT SALAD ITEMS YOU WOULD LIKE**

CHILD'S NAME GROUP

1.	Six inch Vegetarian Delight Sub: Cheese Lettuce Tomato Cucumber Carrot Salt / Pepper Mayonnaise	\$4.50
2.	Six inch Sub: Ham Cheese Lettuce Tomato Cucumber Carrot Salt / Pepper Mayonnaise	\$4.70
3.	Six inch Sub: Chicken Pieces Cheese Lettuce Tomato Cucumber Carrot Salt / Pepper Mayonnaise	\$6.70
4.	Six inch Sub: Roast Beef Cheese Lettuce Tomato Cucumber Carrot Salt / Pepper Mayonnaise	\$6.00
5.	Six inch Sub: BMT (Salami & Ham) Cheese Lettuce Tomato Cucumber Carrot Salt / Pepper Mayonnaise	\$6.00
6.	Six inch Sub: CLUB (Ham, Turkey & Roast Beef) Cheese Lettuce Tomato Cucumber Carrot Salt / Pepper Mayonnaise	\$6.00
7.	Four Inch Sub: Ham Cheese Lettuce Tomato Cucumber Carrot Salt / Pepper Mayonnaise	\$4.20
8.	Four Inch Sub: Turkey Cheese Lettuce Tomato Cucumber Carrot Salt / Pepper Mayonnaise	\$4.20
9.	Four Inch Sub: Roast Beef Cheese Lettuce Tomato Cucumber Carrot Salt / Pepper Mayonnaise	\$4.30
10.	Four Inch Sub: Chicken Pieces Cheese Lettuce Tomato Cucumber Carrot Salt / Pepper Mayonnaise	\$4.90
11.	90 cents for a Cookie	.90
TOTAL money enclosed		\$

Please Note: Late orders will not be accepted