

Newsletter

News from Reservoir Primary School

Reservoir
Primary School



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PRINCIPAL'S NOTES

School Council

We have a casual vacancy on School Council. The position extends until March 2015, or if someone is interested in a shorter period, it can be until March next year.

This is a perfect opportunity for someone who wants to become involved and find out more about how the school operates. If you are interested, please contact someone at the office or a current parent member.

We meet on Monday evenings at 7.00 – twice each term.

At last night's meeting, we discussed an issue that has become apparent recently – probably because we provide such a nice playground environment. Up until 3.45pm, we have three teachers on duty in our grounds. However after that time the yard is unsupervised. We know that many children like to stay back and play, and if parents are with them that's OK. However it is important to realise that the children should be well supervised, and their behaviours should be in line with the expectations we have during school hours. Children do know about sensible rules regarding the use of our play equipment and we would certainly expect that they adhere to these whether they are supervised by you, their parents or by staff.

Some examples of sensible play include:

- Children in years Prep, 1 and 2 ONLY using the junior play equipment,
- Games of "tiggy" or "chasey" are great, but NOT on the equipment, and
- Our new climbing frame is terrific for climbing ... but NOT for jumping on or from.

It is important to note also that the O'Connor Street gate and all school buildings including the toilets will be locked at 3.45pm.

Immunisation

It is timely that I ask the following question:

"Who has provided the school with an immunisation certificate for their children?"

These certificates should be provided when a child starts school in Prep. However, at the moment there are far too many students at Reservoir Primary for whom we **do not have** a copy of this document.

Many parents simply forget, some may not think it's important. However **I am advising you all to check that you have this document and also check if you have provided the school with a copy.**

This is really important at the moment as you may have heard in the media that there is an outbreak of Measles in the northern suburbs of Melbourne.

If there is a case of measles at the school, approximately **140 students will be excluded from school for up to 14 days!** Is that your child?

The Health Department has been in contact with schools in the area, and this could be a reality.

My advice; find your children's immunisation certificate and make sure we have a copy! Ring the office if you want to make sure we have a copy for your child / children.

You need to contact the Darebin Council if you do not have one.

Measles

Measles is a very contagious viral illness that causes a skin rash and fever. Serious and sometimes fatal complications include pneumonia and encephalitis (brain inflammation). Measles is also known as rubeola.

Worldwide, measles is the fifth highest cause of illness and death in children.

The signs and symptoms of measles may include:

- Fever
- Generally feeling unwell (malaise)
- Runny nose
- Dry cough
- Sore and red eyes (conjunctivitis)
- Red and bluish spots inside the mouth (Koplik's spots)
- Red and blotchy skin rash appears first on the face and hairline, then spreads to the body.

Measles is most commonly spread when someone ingests (swallows) or inhales the cough or sneeze droplets from an infected person.

The measles viruses inside mucus or saliva droplets remain viable for several hours. Infection can occur if someone touches contaminated surfaces or objects and then touches their own mouth or nose, or eats with unwashed hands.

Symptoms usually occur about 10 to 12 days after infection.

Measles is very contagious. Estimates suggest that a person with measles will infect about nine in every 10 people they have contact with who have not been immunised or previously infected with measles.

I hope this photo is clear, however you can go online and have a look for yourselves: typical measles face!



For more information, the following website is very useful.
<http://www.health.vic.gov.au>

Chicken Pox

At the moment we have quite a number of children with chicken pox.

Children with chickenpox should not go to school or kinder until the blisters have dried or any remaining blisters are covered.

You need to tell us or kinder if your child gets chickenpox, as other children may need to be immunised or treated.

The symptoms of chickenpox include:

- Low grade fever
- General discomfort, illness or lack of well-being
- Skin rash appears as little blisters surrounded by irregular shaped patches of inflamed skin
- The rash usually starts on the body, then progresses to the head and limbs
- Ulcers may develop in certain areas
- The rash is intensely itchy
- The little blisters burst and develop crusts, usually about day five.



Chickenpox is spread by air-borne droplets from the upper respiratory tract (when the infected person coughs or sneezes) or from touching the fluid in the skin blisters (lesions). An infected person is contagious for up to five days before the onset of the rash and remains infectious until the blisters form scabs.

The time from infection, to appearance of the rash (incubation period) is 14–16 days. A few days prior to the rash appearing, the person may feel feverish with a sore throat and headache. Their skin may be marked for some months after the rash has cleared.

The possible complications of chickenpox include:

- Scarring – pock mark scars on the skin if scabs are scratched
- Cellulitis – a type of bacterial infection of the skin
- Pneumonia – infection and inflammation of the lung can occur in adults
- Encephalitis – usually mild

People at increased risk include:

- Newborns
- Pregnant women (who have not been immunised)
- People who have depressed immunity.

For more information the following website is also very informative:

<http://www.betterhealth.vic.gov.au>

Helen Miller
Principal

DIARY DATES	
11 th September	Prep Excursion to Fairy Park at Anakie
20th Sept.	Last day of Term 3 Assembly at 1:30pm Students dismissed at 2:00pm

7 th October	Term 4 commences
10 th October	Swimming – Groups 1/2/3/4/5 & Group 12 Year 2's
14 th October	School Council Meeting – 7:00pm
30 th October	Mini Fair
5 th November	Melbourne Cup Day – Public Holiday
13 th December	End of Year Concert
17 th December	Year 6 Graduation
20 th December	Last Day of Term 4

BIRTHDAY GREETINGS

"Happy Birthday" to



**Calie, Lia, Jack B.,
Layan and Alisa**

who are all celebrating their birthdays this week.

STUDENT OF THE WEEK AWARDS

Congratulations to the following children who were presented with Student of the Week, Encouragement & Achievement Awards on Friday at assembly:

Neisha, Yunes, Jacob P., Hugo, Makelita, Jayden, Abir, Anastasia, Adib, Ashleigh T., Keith, Daghash, Jake C., Aqeel, Evan, Zachary C., Andrew, Alice C., Isobel, Chantelle T., Kenji, Nawaf, Yahya, Nicholas, Edward, Julian, Charlie B., Charlene, Zahra, Yusuf and Sofia.



The **You Can Do It Award** was presented to **Group 6**
For returning all their sports equipment in Term 3

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STUDENT'S WORK

KYM LARDNER

Kym Lardner is an author who writes stories with his son. Kym came to our school on Wednesday. Kym Lardner was really funny when he came to our school. He told us many stories by drawing characters on a whiteboard. He was really funny.

Kayda - Group 10

On Wednesday an author called Kym Lardner came to our school. He was a funny author. He drew pictures about Alice Cooper and Mohammed in Group 11. There was another Mohammad as well. Then he sang really funny songs. He had a story called Naked Penguin, it was a good book. He made me laugh. I enjoyed it.

Alishba - Group 10



On the 4th of September, Kym Lardner came to our school. He was so funny and I could not stop laughing. He was funny because he drew heaps of people, one was Alice Cooper. He was a funny author. He also loves drawing.

Ysabella - Group 10



PLANETS

The planet I have been working on is Mercury.

1. Mercury's diameter is 4,879km.
2. The distance from Mercury to the Sun is fifty seven million nine hundred and 10,000km.
3. It takes Mercury 88 days to orbit around the Sun.
4. Mercury is a dry planet.
5. Mercury is the second smallest planet.
6. Mercury doesn't have any moons.

Chloe Dall'Osto - Group 6

We have been researching the planet Neptune.

1. A day on Neptune is 16 hours 6 minutes and 6 seconds.
2. Neptune is 4.5 billion km away from the sun.
3. Neptune is made mainly from hydrogen and is 19% helium.
4. Neptune is the roman god of the sea.
5. Neptune is known for its weather.
6. Neptune has 13 moons and is called Neptune because of its stormy weather.

William and Prince - Group 6

The planet I have been researching is Pluto.

Pluto has a radius of 715 miles.

Pluto has a density of 2.05 grams.

When Earth is on the opposite side of Pluto it is 4.65 billion miles or 7.5 billion kilometres away.

Pluto wasn't discovered until 1930.

Jayden - Group 6

The planet I have been working on is Venus.

The diameter of Venus is 12,104 kilometres.

One Venus day is 243 earth days.

The distance from the Sun on Venus is 108,200,000km.

Venus takes 225 earth days to orbit around the Sun.

Venus is the second planet from the Sun.

Venus is the only planet that rotates from east to west instead of west to east.

Planet Venus was discovered as a planet when Earth was discovered as a planet.

Sarah - Group 6

FATHER'S DAY QUESTIONNAIRE

My Dad is funny because: **He tells me jokes**

My Dad thinks I am funny when: **I tell him jokes**

His favourite thing to do is: **Going to Laser Tag**

His favourite colour is: **Blue**

My Dad's job is: **A builder**

He loves to eat: **My mum's spaghetti**

He is really good at: **Fixing things**

My Dad loves when I: **Complete a task**

My Dad always says: **Be careful**

My favourite thing about my Dad is:

He takes me to the park

Nathan - Group 11



My Dad is funny because: **He sings a lot of crazy songs**

My Dad thinks I am funny when: **I act very silly**

His favourite thing to do is: **Sleep and watch his Chinese TV**

His favourite colour is: **Light blue**

My Dad's job is: **Being an awesome builder**

He loves to eat: **Chicken in soup**

He is really good at: **Things that are very hard**

My Dad loves when I: **am sensible and not being silly**

My Dad always says: **"Stop Talking" because I talk too much**

My favourite thing about my Dad is: **When he is really funny because it makes me happy**

Ying – Group 11



My Dad is funny because: **He makes funny noises**

My Dad thinks I am funny when: **I try to poke him in the back**

His favourite thing to do is: **Play CandyCrush because he is almost finished the levels**

His favourite colour is: **Green and yellow**

My Dad's job is: **To work at an office**

He loves to eat: **Noodles**

He is really good at: **Drawing**

My Dad loves when I: **Finish my homework**

My Dad always says: **Stop messing around**

My favourite thing about my Dad is: **When he takes me to the skate park**

Chantelle – Group 11



My Dad is funny because: **When my family can't sleep my dad is snoring!**

My Dad thinks I am funny when: **I tell him stories**

His favourite thing to do is: **Taking naps and sleeping**

His favourite colour is: **Black**

My Dad's job is: **To take care of his family**

He loves to eat: **Chicken with rice**

He is really good at: **All sorts of Maths**

My Dad loves when I: **Finish my homework**

My Dad always says: **Go do your homework**

My favourite thing about my Dad is: **He loves me**

Sophie – Group 11



My Dad is funny because: **He does a lot of weird things like doing a weird walk**

My Dad thinks I am funny when: **I imitate the Target ad**

His favourite thing to do is: **Skateboarding!!**

His favourite colour is: **Black and white because he likes Collingwood**

My Dad's job is: **Being a carpenter**

He loves to eat: **Pizza with olives**

He is really good at: **Being mad at me**

My Dad loves when I: **Try my best**

My Dad always says: **I love you**

My favourite thing about my Dad is: **That he is always silly and a bit cheeky**

Charlotte – Group 11



My Dad is funny because: **He says funny jokes**

My Dad thinks I am funny when: **I make him laugh by saying a joke**

His favourite thing to do is: **Spend time with me**

His favourite colour is: **Red**

My Dad's job is: **Working as a builder**

He loves to eat: **Portuguese pasta**

He is really good at: **Soccer and being nice**

My Dad loves when I: **Try to learn my times tables**

My Dad always says: **He loves me**

My favourite thing about my Dad is: **That he loves me and he makes me laugh**

Angelica – Group 11



My Dad is funny because: **He tells funny stories**

My Dad thinks I am funny when: **I play the Wii**

His favourite thing to do is: **Take me out**

His favourite colour is: **Yellow**

My Dad's job is: **A plumber and a roof tiler**

He loves to eat: **Burritos**

He is really good at: **Being my dad**

My Dad loves when I: **Am good**

My Dad always says: **You are always good**

My favourite thing about my Dad is: **He's nice**

James – Group 11



SUBWAY LUNCH ORDERS 2013

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	\$4.20
2.	Six inch Sub: Ham Cheese Lettuce Tomato Cucumber Carrot Salt / Pepper Mayonnaise	\$4.40
3	Six inch Sub: Chicken Pieces Cheese Lettuce Tomato Cucumber Carrot Salt / Pepper Mayonnaise	\$6.00
4.	Six inch Sub: Roast Beef Cheese Lettuce Tomato Cucumber Carrot Salt / Pepper Mayonnaise	\$5.40
5.	Six inch Sub: BMT (Salami & Ham) Cheese Lettuce Tomato Cucumber Carrot Salt / Pepper Mayonnaise	\$5.50
6.	Six inch Sub: CLUB (Ham, Turkey & Roast Beef) Cheese Lettuce Tomato Cucumber Carrot Salt / Pepper Mayonnaise	\$5.50
7.	Four Inch Sub: Ham Cheese Lettuce Tomato Cucumber Carrot Salt / Pepper Mayonnaise	\$3.90
8.	Four Inch Sub: Turkey Cheese Lettuce Tomato Cucumber Carrot Salt / Pepper Mayonnaise	\$3.90
9.	Four Inch Sub: Roast Beef Cheese Lettuce Tomato Cucumber Carrot Salt / Pepper Mayonnaise	\$3.90
10.	Four Inch Sub: Chicken Pieces Cheese Lettuce Tomato Cucumber Carrot Salt / Pepper Mayonnaise	\$4.40
11.	80 cents for a Cookie	.80
	TOTAL money enclosed	\$

Please Note: Late orders will not be accepted