

Newsletter

News from Reservoir Primary School

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PRINCIPAL'S NOTES

Achievements

It is always pleasing to inform you of the great achievements of our students. Sometimes these are in sporting events, sometimes musical and sometimes showing terrific improvements in their attitudes and work endeavours and outcomes.

This week I am able to announce that our students have once again performed well on the national assessments; NAPLAN. These tests are administered across Australia every year to all students in Year 3, 5, 7 and 9.

Year three data shows that 91% of our students are above the National Minimum Standard in Reading, 100 % in Writing, 94% in Spelling, 94% in Grammar and Punctuation and 97% in Numeracy. This is very pleasing; however at Reservoir we have always judged our performances against the State data which historically has been higher than the national benchmark.

The following is what is known as a "scaled score" and it is clear that Reservoir students have performed extremely well against the State:

Year Three

<u>Subject</u>	<u>State Score</u>	<u>Reservoir</u>
Reading	435	430
Writing	430	435
Spelling	420	437
Grammar/Punctuation	440	462
Numeracy	411	410

You would have to agree that this is an extremely positive outcome for our students, and extremely pleasing for their teachers.

Year five data shows that 95% of our students are above the National Minimum Standard for Reading, 95% for Writing, 76% for Spelling, 90% for Grammar and Punctuation and 86% for Numeracy. This also is pleasing, although the Spelling is an area we would certainly want to investigate further. However we prefer to consider our performances against the State levels of achievement; and the following is for year five students. .

Year Five

<u>Subject</u>	<u>State Score</u>	<u>Reservoir</u>
Reading	511	509
Writing	490	483
Spelling	500	485
Grammar/Punctuation	508	494
Numeracy	495	502

These results are pleasing and show consistently good results for our students.

Nineteen year five students sat these assessments and six of them had not completed the tests in year three. However of the other thirteen it is really interesting to see their growth in the two years since their previous test.

Three students made what is termed "low growth", six students made "medium growth" and four students showed "high growth".

If your child participated in this year's NAPLAN testing in May, you will receive your children's individual report tomorrow.

I am proud of the results; they show great outcomes for our students who come from extremely diverse backgrounds; including non-English speaking backgrounds, interrupted schooling, trauma and social disadvantage.

So well done Reservoir students, their parents and of course their hard working teachers!

Helen Miller
Principal

POLICE BANDS!

Remember the Police Pipe Band & Code One?
We have enjoyed both these terrific musical experiences in the past. It would appear they are to be disbanded!!

If you want to find out more, you can register your concern by signing a petition at the office or via

www.facebook.com/bandtogether2013

www.twitter.com/bandtogether2

<http://bandtogether2013.wordpress.com/>

DIARY DATES

17 th October	Swimming for Groups 1/2/3/4/5 and Group 12 Year 2's
18 th October	Interschool Sport for 5/6's - Reservoir V Our Lady of The Way (Home)
24 th October	Swimming for Groups 1/2/3/4/5 and Group 12 Year 2's Book Club Orders & Money Due
25 th October	Life Education lessons commence Interschool Sport for 5/6's – Reservoir V William Ruthven (Away)
30th October	MINI FAIR
31 st October	Swimming for Groups 1/2/3/4/5 and Group 12 Year 2's
1 st November	Interschool Sport for 5/6's – Reservoir V Reservoir Views (Away)
4th November	Curriculum / Report Writing day NO SCHOOL for STUDENTS
5th November	Melbourne Cup Day – Public Holiday
7 th November	Swimming for Groups 1/2/3/4/5 and Group 12 Year 2's Sleepover – Year 2/3's
8 th November	Interschool Sport for 5/6's - Reservoir V Reservoir East (Home)
11 th November	School Council Meeting – 7:00pm
12 th November	Prep Orientation 2:00pm – 3:15pm
14 th November	Swimming for Groups 1/2/3/4/5 and Group 12 Year 2's
15 th November	Interschool Sport for 5/6's – Reservoir V Thomastown (Awa)
19 th November	Prep Orientation 2:00pm – 3:15pm
21 st November	Swimming for Groups 1/2/3/4/5 and Group 12 Year 2's
22 nd November	Interschool Sport for 5/6's – Reservoir V Kingsbury (Home)
26 th November	Prep Orientation 2:00pm – 3:15pm

28 th November	Swimming for Groups 1/2/3/4/5 and Group 12 Year 2's Prep/1 BBQ
29 th November	Interschool Sport for 5/6's – Reservoir V St. Josephs (Awa)
2 nd December	School Council Meeting
3 rd December	Prep Orientation 2:00pm – 3:15pm
10 th December	Year 6 Transition
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



Abbey S., Ali A. N., Sajada, Omar, Ahmed A., Aqeel, Joel T. and Prince

who are all celebrating their birthdays this week.

STUDENT OF THE WEEK AWARDS

Congratulations to the following children who were presented with Encouragement and Achievement Awards on Friday at assembly:

Michelle L., Layan A., Dylan K., Kholod, Alishba, Lynton, Gemma, Alice V., Jianing, Saja, Joel T., Rojan, David, Ahmed A., Eliza, James H., Aden, Julian, Jaycob W., Miljan, Kyrah N., Ghadeer, Zalia, Sarah, Arshiya, Bonnie, Prakhar, Noura, Akram, Lily, Samuel, Sweeney and Farouk.



The **You Can Do It Award** was presented to **Group 9**
For demonstrating creativity when writing poems

COMING SOON....

MINI FAIR

WEDNESDAY 30th OCTOBER

On Wednesday the 30th of October our annual Mini Fair will be held. Each year we ask for donations of the following items. Due to your generosity this enables us to make the Mini Fair a great success.

We are asking for donations of....



Icy Poles/Fruit Tubes

Packets of Jelly Crystals

Packets of Chocolate Freddo Frogs
(No Chocolate Frogs with filling e.g. Caramello!)

Lollies



Sachets of Cappuccino/Latte
Sachets of Hot Chocolate
Flavoured Sippa Straws



Cans of Soft Drink (Brand or Plain names)
Small cans can also be donated.
Cans will be collected daily from the classrooms.

Coloured Hair Spray



Face Paint & Glitter



More details about the Mini Fair will be provided closer to the date.

Parents are more than welcome to attend.

Our Mini Fair usually starts about 11:00am and finishes about 2:00pm.

SCHOLASTIC BOOK CLUB

All Scholastic Book Club orders and money need to be returned to school by Thursday the 24th of October.

Thank you,
Susie Kotanidis

HATS FOR SALE

Slouch hats (\$12) and Legionnaire hats (\$8) are available for sale at the office.

All students must have a hat to wear outside during Term 4.

JUNIOR SCHOOL COUNCIL REPRESENTATIVE GROUP 12

Hi, I'm David and I am in Group 12 and I'm a Junior School Council member. We do lots of different work for the school. We think and write lots of things about the Cancer Council and raise money for charity. My favourite thing about being a Junior School Council member is when we do something special for the school like when we have Crazy Hair Day.

David



DAREBIN LIBRARIES

The Music Man

Paul Jamieson - The Music Man's songs are fun for kids and laced with contagious rhythms. Reggae, rap, calypso, pop - bring the kids along for a groove and the chance at some hands-on fun with musical instruments.

You might recognise Paul



from his guest appearances on Foxtel's Funhouse and Channel Seven's The Bookplace. Recommended age 3+.

[Book online](#) or call 1300655355.

Tuesday 22 October • 4pm • Preston Library

Second-hand Book Sale



This is the last book sale of the year with Northcote Scouts. Don't miss out on a bargain – nothing over \$2. [Register for a reminder](#) or call 1300655355.

Saturday 26 October • 10am – 3pm • Northcote Scout Hall

Grandparents' Day at Storytime



Bring the grandparents along to our Storytime sessions between Monday 14 - Friday 18 October as part of the Darebin Seniors Festival. Regular stories and craft activities will be chosen to involve kids between 2-5 years and their grandparents.

Sessions start at 10.30am:
Northcote Library - Thursday 17 Oct,
Preston Library - Wednesday 16 Oct,
Reservoir Library - Friday 18 Oct.
Register for a reminder [online](#) or call 1300655355.

Naughtiest Reindeer Launch



Join us for the launch of this gorgeous, funny Christmas picture book *The Naughtiest Reindeer* by acclaimed award-winning creator Nicki Greenberg.

It's the night before Christmas and Rudolf is sneezing his little red nose off, so Santa needs another

reindeer to help pull the sleigh. Will Rudolf's troublesome sister Ruby be able to help or will there be chaos?

Bring the kids for some festive fun!
[Book online](#) or call 1300655355.

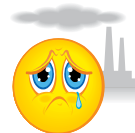
Saturday 26 October • 11am • Northcote Library

IVANHOE GRAMMAR SCHOOL

Brochures are available from the office for Year 5 students as part of their preparation for entry into secondary school. There is a 'Meet The Head of Plenty Campus' event on Wednesday 30th October at 9:15am as well as a 2015 Scholarship Information Evening on Tuesday 19th November.

POETRY FROM GROUP 9

Miserable
Sad, lonely
Crying, sitting, depressing
Dreadful, depressed, funny, grateful
Smiling, laughing, talking
Fun, blissful
Happy
Irene



Fishing
Pier, rod
Casting, waiting, wiggling
Hook, line, bait, net
Biting, catching, cleaning
Cook, eat, delicious
Yum
Jake



Noah is weird
Only one in the class that has big hair
A little boy
Has always loved sport
Noah



Declan is smart
Excited for upcoming events
Cool in basketball
Loves his family
Awesome at helping his family
Never gives up on family
Declan



Summer
Hot, fun
Swimming, playing, eating
Beach, ice-cream, umbrella, cool
Freezing, gaming, sleeping
Cold, muddy
Winter
Joel M.

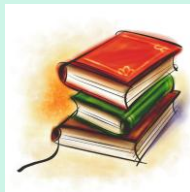


Boys
 Crazy, weird
 Playing, annoying, sliding
 Dirty, brothers, pretty, cute
 Cooking, reading, pampering, hanging out
 Shy, beautiful
 Girls
Besi

Alice is an athlete
 Listens to people
 Interested in sports
 Connects with Charlie
 Eager to try something new
Alice



Need peace and quiet to read it!
 Of course you have to imagine you're in the book!
 Vowels, words, sentences and paragraphs are inside!
 Exciting, tremendous and a world of imagination!
 Learning, new words and improving reading
 Skills, while influencing your voice!
Mareha



Teacher
 Work, job
 Teaching, helping, caring,
 Very helpful, always learning
 Learning, working, talking
 Listened, friendly
 Students
Twila



Fire
 Hot, burn
 Flaming, melting, racing
 Lava, ash, wet, calm
 Flowing, flooding, swimming
 Cold, clear
 Water
Michelle



Friend
 Happy, fun
 Loving, caring, smiling
 Great, special, hatred, bad
 Hitting, humiliating, embarrassing
 Mean, sad
 Enemy
Zainab



Baby
 Small, cute
 Eating, playing, cleaning
 Nice, sleep, fun, funny
 Working, running, walking
 Big, caring
 Adult
Alessio



Do you have a child in year 4, 5 or 6?

In 2001 (over 12 years ago) the Government introduced the 'Child Tax Offset' and surprisingly many Australians did not know about it and have NOT claimed any benefits.

Act now!
Time is running out fast!

HAVE YOU MISSED OUT ON THOUSANDS OF DOLLARS?

If your child was born between **1 July 2001 and 30 June 2004** you may be eligible to receive up to \$12,500 of entitlements.

The government has now put a deadline on this entitlement so please email childoffset@twelve.com.au to receive more information.

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Your Family Tax Specialist

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