

Important Dates

Mother's Day Stall

Tuesday 5th May,
Reservoir Campus

Speech Pathology Parent Workshop

Wednesday 6th May,
9.30am – 12pm, MPR
Reservoir Campus

Mother's Day Stall

Thursday 7th May,
Lalor Campus

Parent Coffee Morning - RC

Tuesday 12th May,
9.30am, MPR, Reservoir Campus

OT & SP Parent Workshop

Tuesday 12th May,
9.30am – 12.30pm, MPR
Lalor Campus

Occupational Therapy Parent Workshop

Friday 15th May,
9.30am – 11am, MPR
Reservoir Campus

School Photos

Wednesday 3rd June

Parent Coffee Morning - LC

Thursday 4th June,
9.30am, MPR, Lalor Campus

Term 2 Public Holiday

Kings Birthday
Monday 8th June
No School

School Photo

Make up Day
Thursday 11th June

Disco Bingo!

Saturday 20th June
MPR, Reservoir Campus

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FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Hello Parents & Carers

I hope everyone had a safe, happy, and restful break. It was lovely to see the students settling back into their routines. We have been very lucky with the sunny weather so far this term.

Staffing Changes

There will be a small number of staffing changes this term as some staff take leave and others return. These changes are planned and well supported, and student learning and care will continue as usual. Families of any affected classes will be contacted directly with further information.

Reservoir Campus

Many families may have noticed that an old relocatable building was demolished and the relocatable building that was in the playground has been moved. These works have been to make way for a 2-story relocatable building which will be delivered in June.

Keeping children safe online

There have been several incidents at school where online incidents at home have spilled over to behaviours of concerns in the classroom. I ask parents to actively supervise their child's online activities. Please refer to the esafety website for some tips help you set boundaries and keep your child safe online. <https://www.esafety.gov.au/>

Child Safe Standards

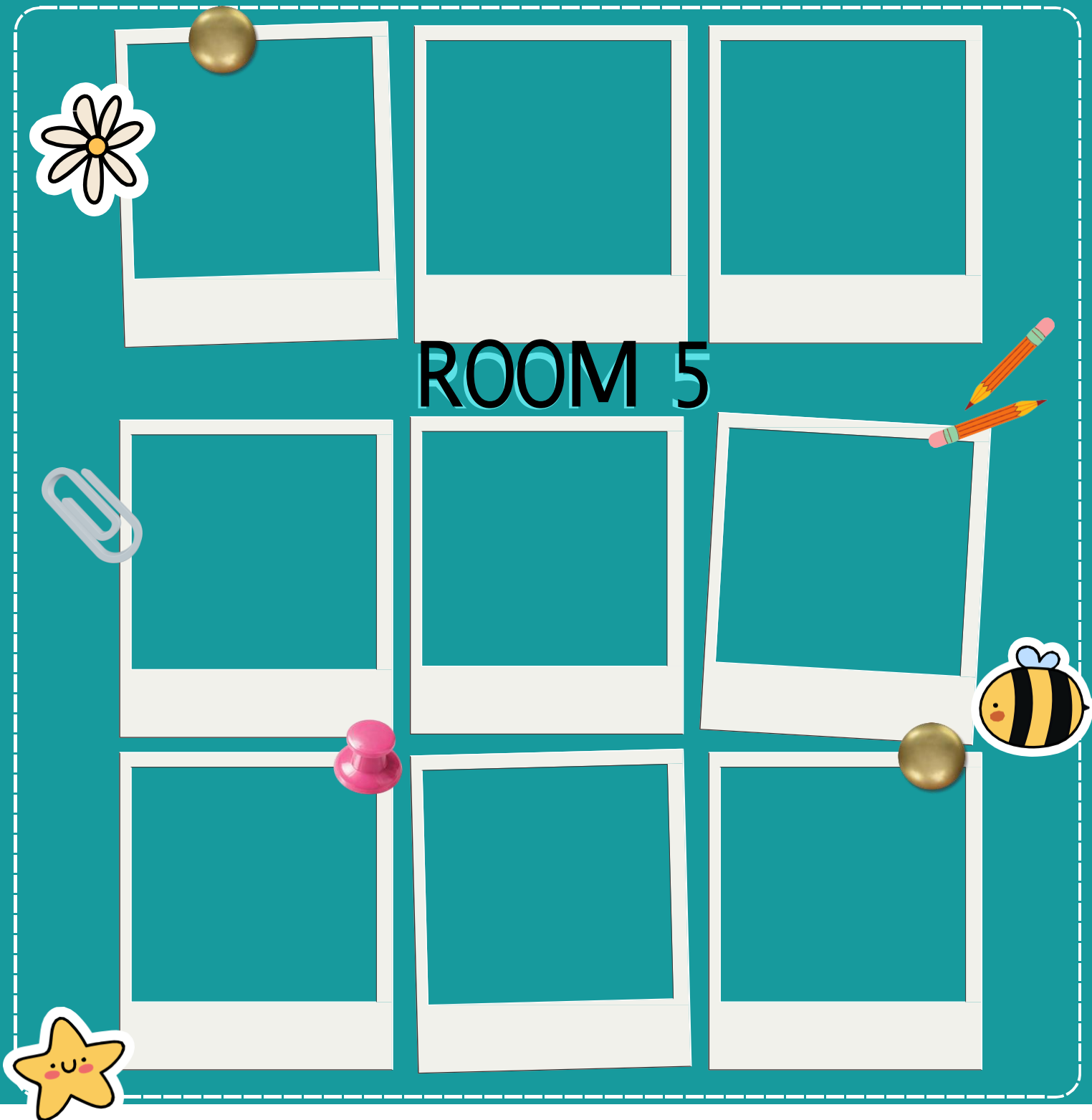
The Child Safe Standards are mandated, and the school seeks to proactively ensure the safety and welfare of our students. These steps include imbedding a culture of child safety.

Child Safe Standards at NSA we have a zero tolerance of child abuse.

To continue to embed a culture of child safety at school, it is important to ensure it is part of our everyday thinking and practice. Practices are continually reviewed and evaluated and will be communicated in the newsletter, during discussions, at staff meetings, and in our everyday interactions. Our Child Safe Policy is on our website and will be reviewed over the next few months. As per the school policy, Andrea Wallace, Jackson Mathieson-Lowe, Ashlea Nave, Assistant Principals or myself, Pamela Mathieson, Principal are your key contacts if you have any concerns.

Pamela Mathieson

Principal



Room 5 has had a fantastic start to their first year of school! The students have been busy building friendships with their peers and teachers, while also becoming familiar with the school environment.

We are so proud of the amazing progress they have already made in such a short time. Students have especially loved visiting the STEAM building, where they have enjoyed using the Osmo kits, and the VR Room has been a huge hit!

In the classroom, we have been engaging in Maths sessions focusing on number, as well as English sessions. Our sensory sessions have also been a highlight, providing lots of fun and opportunities for engagement.

We have even celebrated some special birthdays along the way!

We can't wait to see what the rest of the year has in store for Room 5!



Room 21B Highlights

It has been a busy and exciting start to the year in Room 21B! Our students have enjoyed a range of hands-on learning experiences, and fun activities.

We've experienced the wonders of chemical reactions in our Science Incursion, and taken refreshing dips during Swimming Excursions. Our budding artists created fantastical hats and modelled them for friends and family in the Easter Hat Parade.

We have also been having lots of fun in the classroom! In Café Club the students have enjoyed working together as a group creating a café experience, taking turns in ordering, serving, and preparation, before everyone sitting down to enjoy the culinary delights. Music, Movement and Science lessons have also been a highlight, with students dancing, singing, and moving to music, bowling, and conducting lots of fun Science experiments.

What a fantastic start to year with lots more fun to come!

- LC7 -

LC7

We have had an exciting and busy start to the year! Students have participated in a variety of hands-on learning experiences that foster independence, community and critical thinking.

Beyond the classroom, we've attended a sailing excursion where students stepped out of their comfort zones to experience being on the water and worked together to navigate the yacht. They also enjoy regular walks to local parks and have practiced using public transport to navigate their surroundings.

A definite highlight has been interacting with the school's various student-run cafe and canteen sessions. During these times, students practiced making requests and navigating social exchanges in real-world settings.

STEAM sessions have provided many exciting and engaging challenges this term and many students are particularly interested in learning about different historical events, geographical landmarks, and features of Australia and the world, such as the Great Barrier Reef, Uluru, and more discrete topics such as some European Viking history.

Energy levels remain high during outdoor sessions. The class has engaged in games such as dodgeball and scarecrow tag, have practised skills required for both basketball and soccer, and have also participated in circuits focused on hand-eye coordination and skills such as kicking and throwing.

The LC7 teaching team is very proud of how students have tackled the first term of the year. We look forward to what the rest of the year will bring!



Exploring, learning, and growing together—one day, one lesson, and one success at a time!



This Week in Our Classroom

This week has been full of exciting learning and great progress. We're proud of our students for their effort and enthusiasm in every activity. Here's a quick look at what we've been up to:

English

We used Little Learners Love Literacy, with students engaging in phonics activities to build their reading and spelling skills.

Mathematics

We practiced addition and subtraction, with students building confidence in solving problems.

Science

We conducted a hands-on experiment in chemistry.

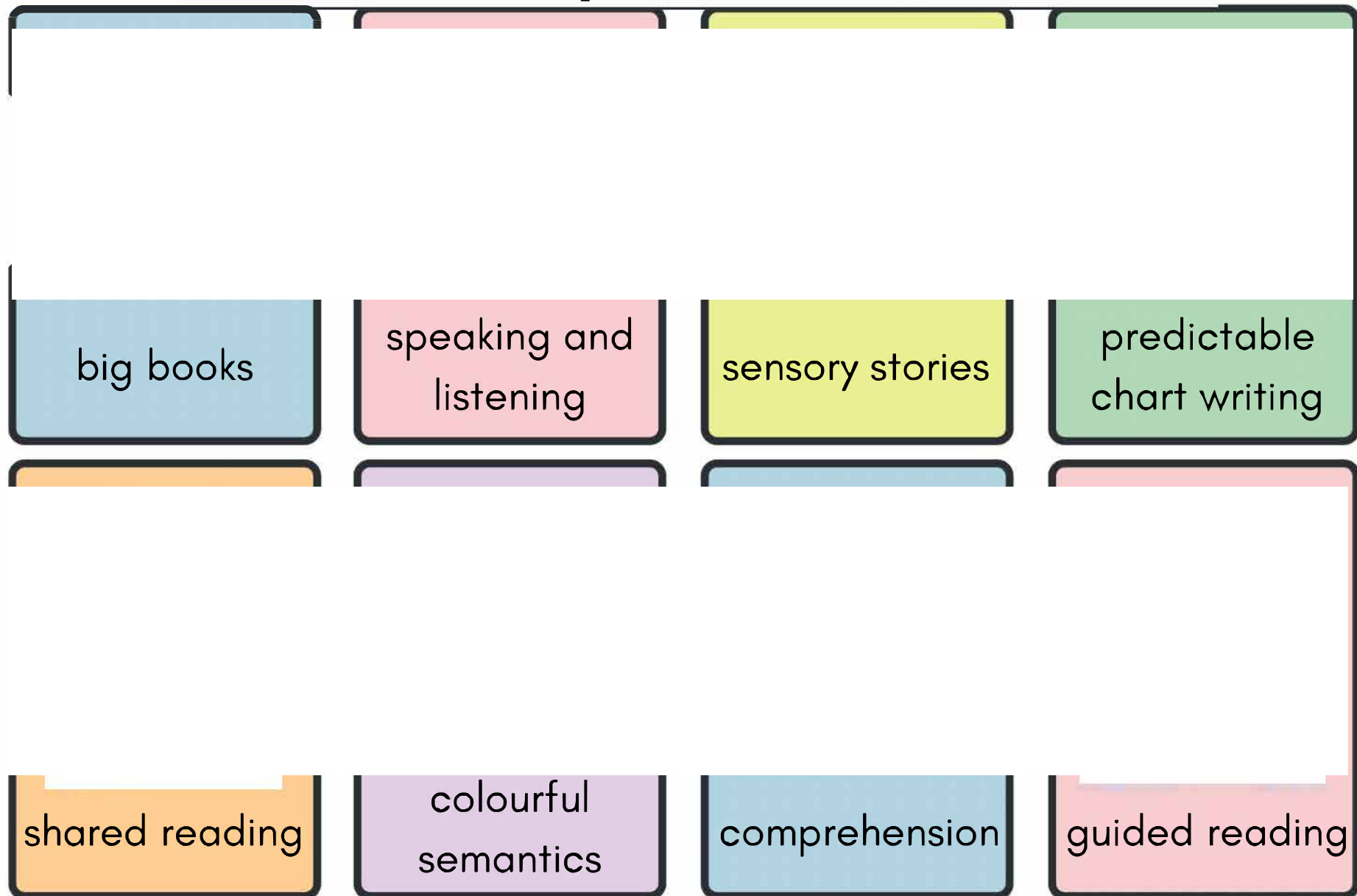
Term 1 Highlights

We have had a fantastic start to the year, welcoming 10 new students to Norris Bank Campus. The term has been filled with laughter, learning, and growth. Students enjoyed participating in weekly swimming sessions and engaging STEAM activities, along with a hands-on chemistry incursion. We also came together to celebrate Harmony Day, recognising and embracing our diverse community. We concluded the term on a high note with our Easter Hat Parade.

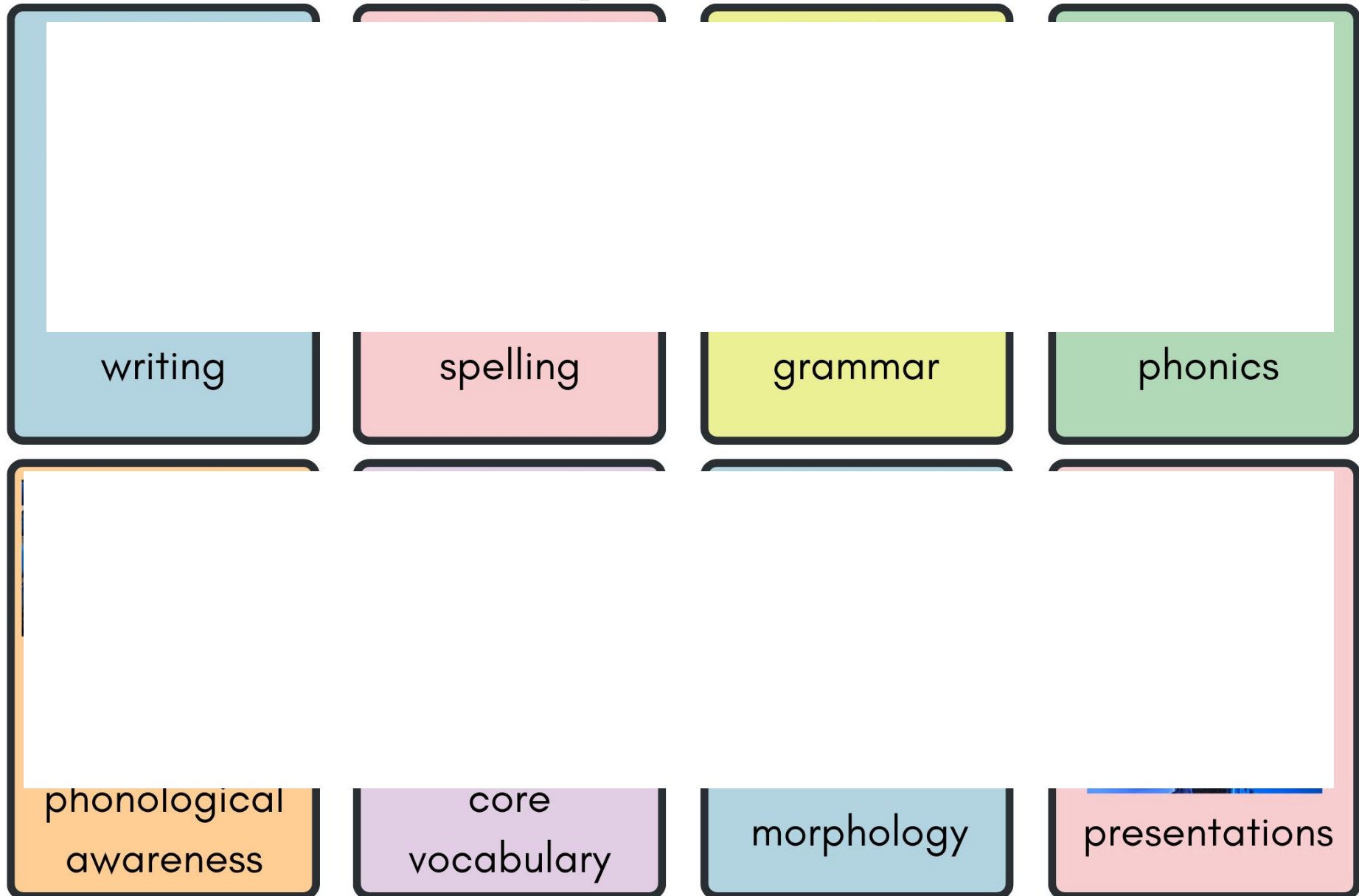
Anzac Ceremony

Last Friday, NSA held a commemorative Anzac ceremony in partnership with NB. Three representatives from each class—were selected to lay a wreath on behalf of their respective rooms, marking the occasion with respect and reflection.

Structured Literacy at Reservoir & Norris Bank



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ASDAN



Students at the Lalor Campus have been working on this years ASDAN module - Independent Living. This module supports students to gain many lifelong skills that will benefit them at home and in the community for years to come. This semester students completing the Introduction module are focusing on cooking and food preparation skills, whilst those completing the Progression module are focusing on independence, safety and communication within the home. Each module that students complete goes towards their final certificate earned at the end of their schooling.



Advocating
for children
with disability

Free online workshop

Teens and Beyond



A three-part online workshop series for families of young people aged 13+

This workshop is for parents and carers of children with disability who want to build their knowledge and skills to navigate the teenage years with confidence.

Each workshop covers a different topic over three weeks.



The future doesn't have to be scary. There are real options and possibilities.



What to expect

- A welcoming space designed for parents and carers of children with developmental delay and disability
- Led by experienced facilitators who bring understanding and lived experience
- Delivered online via Zoom
- Let us know if you have any accessibility needs

Learn about



- Financial support
- School and post-school options
- Future planning
- Wellbeing: friendships, communication, behaviour support and good mental health

When

- Monday 4, 11 & 18 May at 7:00 pm
- Tuesday 5, 12 & 19 May at 7:00 pm
- Wednesday 6, 13 & 20 May at 10:00 am

Scan to register

Email
educate@acd.org.au

Call 03 9880 7000 or
1800 654 013 regional

<https://bit.ly/TEENSMay26Promo>



Smile Squad

Free dental for all Victorian government school students



Would you like to access free dental care for your child(ren)?

Did you know the Victorian Government funds a free school dental program called Smile Squad? For more details about the program visit: <https://www.health.vic.gov.au/smile-squad>

Smile Squad isn't visiting our school right now, but you can still access this high-quality service, completely free of charge.

You can visit DPV Health at their community dental clinic. Please contact the team at any time to book an appointment. Just let them know you would like to book a Smile Squad appointment.



Contact the team at:

DPV Health Whittlesea 40 – 42
Walnut street Whittlesea

Craigieburn Community Hospital 274
– 304 Craigieburn Rd Craigieburn.

Mernda Community Hospital 35
Flourmill Drive Mernda

The Smile Squad look forward to seeing you soon.





NORTHERN SCHOOL FOR AUTISM

SAVE THE DATE

DISCO BINGO

More dancing, music & fun

Saturday 20th June

MOVIE THEMED BINGO | DANCING | FUN
MOVIE CHARACTER DRESS UP

18+

Reservoir Campus MPR



COFFEE

Morning

**PARENTS
&
CARERS**

*Join
us*

**COFFEE, TEA &
SNACKS
PROVIDED**

**Reservoir
Tuesday
12/05/26
@ 9:30am**



Northern School for Autism - Multipurpose Room

NORTHERN SCHOOL FOR AUTISM

The Speech Pathology Team are excited to announce another round of Parent Workshops at the Reservoir Campus – join us to learn, connect, and build skills to support your child’s communication, language, and social development.

Wednesday 6th May, 2026
9:30am- 12pm

This session will explore neurodiversity, language and social development. We will provide neuroaffirming resources to support your child’s language development and social communication outside of school.

We will share some ideas of ways to support your child across the spectrum – and you will have the chance to practice this yourselves via role plays with other participants.

We will also provide the space for you to ask some further questions.



Date:

Wednesday 6th May, 2026

Time:

9:30am-12pm

Venue:

Northern School for Autism, Reservoir campus.
16-18 Gertz Avenue, Reservoir, Multipurpose Room

Additional Information

Please contact Roselyn Datiles to RSVP via
roselyn.datiles@education.vic.gov.au

BOOKINGS PREFERRED BY:

or scan QR code



NORTHERN SCHOOL FOR AUTISM

PARENT WORKSHOP

12 MAY 2026 9:30AM - 12:30PM

Lalor Campus - 35 Duncan Road,
Lalor

The Speech Pathology and Occupational Therapy team will together be hosting a parent workshop held at the Lalor Campus for all NSA families. The focus of this upcoming workshop will be on supporting autistic adolescents through puberty and social connections.



What to expect:

- 9:30am Occupational Therapy presentation
- 10:45am Speech Pathology presentation
- 12pm-12:30om Morning tea and time to connect with other parents.

OT TEAM

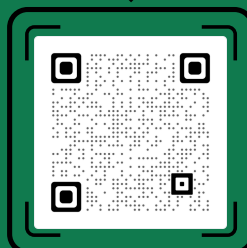
This session will explore emotional regulation through an Interoception lens. Our Occupational Therapists will share real-life examples, sensory-informed approaches that you can use during this developmental stage. We will also explore puberty and provide strategies to support your child through these changes. There will be interactive activities, commonly used resources and an opportunity to ask further questions.

SP TEAM

This session will explore neurodiversity, social development and supporting social interactions. We will provide neuroaffirming resources to support your child's social communication outside of school, and in the community. We will share ideas to support your child to access their ideal social life across the spectrum. We will also provide space for you to ask some further questions.



SCAN ME



BOOKING INFORMATION:

Please scan the QR code to book!

alternatively contact Roselyn Datiles to RSVP via
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Northern School for Autism

Occupational Therapy Parent Workshop

15th of May, 2026
9.30-11am

Reservoir Campus- 16-18 Gertz
Avenue, Reservoir



The Occupational Therapy team will be hosting a parent workshop for all NSA families. The focus of the workshop will be sensory processing, interoception, co-regulation and transitions.

SCAN ME



- The session will involve-
- A presentation from OT Staff
 - Time to explore resources
 - A chance to provide feedback
 - An info pack to take home

To sign up, please scan the QR code above or
contact roselyn.datiles@education.vic.gov.au