

Important Dates

Student Free Day

Monday 31st October

Melbourne Cup Public Holiday

Tuesday 1st November

No School

Freckleberry Chocolate Fundraiser

RC LC

Friday 4th November

Graduation RC

Tuesday 6th December

Time TBC

Graduation LC

Monday 12th December

Time TBC

2022 Term Dates

Term 1:

1st February to 7th April

Term 2:

26th April to 24th June

Term 3:

11th July to 16th September

Term 4:

3rd October to 20th December

Uniform Shop RC

Monday 2:45pm – 3:45pm

Tuesday 8:30am – 9:30am

Thursday 2:45pm – 3:45pm

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From the Principal

Welcome

Reservoir Concert

Last Wednesday and Thursday the students at the Reservoir Campus performed in the concert. I would like to thank the teaching teams for supporting the students to succeed while on stage. I would also like to thank the concert committee, Michelle Huggins, Richard Garth, Ashlea Nave, Andrea Wallace and the speech pathologist team and the occupational therapists for putting so much effort in planning the event. It was lovely to see so many parents back in the school.

Blackwood Camp

Last week many of the Lalor groups went on an extended day excursion to Blackwood Camp. Students enjoyed their day at Blackwood.

Extra-long weekend

Please remember that on Monday 31st October & Tuesday 1st November there will be no school, no buses and no after school care for our students. Staff will be onsite on the 31st October completing professional learning modules.

No Pets on Campus

We do not allow pets to come onto school grounds at any campus. Your understanding is appreciated.

End of Pandemic Orders

You may be aware that the Victorian Government has announced changes to the COVID-19 isolation requirements. The mandatory orders around isolation for people with COVID-19 has ended and instead we move to health advice and recommendations for people with COVID-19 or COVID19-like symptoms. Our school will continue to adhere to the Department of Health's recommendations to ensure that our school remains a safe environment for our staff and students.

Northern School for Autism Newsletter

The Department of Health strongly recommends that students and school staff:

- who test positive to COVID-19 stay home and isolate for 5 days and do not attend school after 5 days if they are still symptomatic.
- who are symptomatic but have not tested positive not attend school. This does not include students with pre-existing conditions such as hay fever.

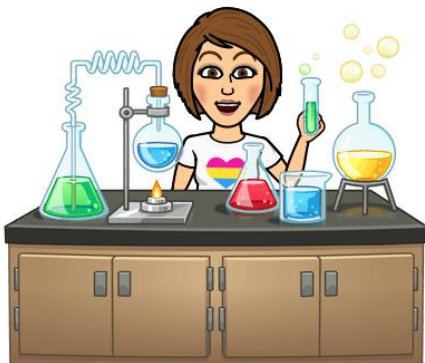
Parents and carers are recommended to continue to report their child having COVID-19 to both the school and the Department of Health. We will, however, no longer report occurrences of positive cases to the school community. We ask parents and carers to continue to remain vigilant in preventing COVID-19 transmission. Any student who is unwell should continue to remain at home. This is about keeping students healthy and well in our school and reducing the spread of both COVID-19 and other respiratory diseases. Free rapid antigen tests are available at the school for those who need them, and we will continue to contact parents and carers if their child shows symptoms while at school in order for them to be collected. To keep our school as safe as possible, we will also continue to use air purifiers and other COVID-19 prevention measures.

Thanks for your continued efforts to keep our school community safe and well, and please do not hesitate to contact me should you have any questions with regard to this.

Pamela Mathieson

Principal

NSA FUN FACTS



**Fingernails
grow faster
on the hand
you use the
most.**

Room 4

*Room 4 has had a fun Semester Two!
We have attended swimming lessons every
Wednesday. The students have learnt how to
perform a 'safety entrance'.*

*This Term we have been creating different Science
experiments, we are looking at different colours
and reactions. It is our favourite session of the
day, the students love watching the colour reaction
change and making miniature volcanic explosions.*

Room 15 at the Melbourne Museum!

Room 15 has been exploring extracurricular activities such as excursions and incursions across the Term 1 to 3. One of the fun excursions that Room 15 went at the end of Term 3 is the Melbourne Museum. The students had lots of fun! Together as a classroom, we explored the Milarri Garden, Dinosaur Walk, Bugs Alive and also, we went to the IMAX theatre! Room 15 students loved the IMAX theatre and they learned about space and they were fascinated how earth looked like out of space. It was lovely to see their curiosity spark as we went through different places of the Melbourne Museum. We are looking forward to more activities like this for the rest of the year, alongside our academic learning.

LC13 NEWS

The second semester of the year has been packed with memorable moments, full of indoors action, outdoors adventures and lots of learning opportunities. The following are some of the highlights of semester two in LC13.

HELPING THE ENVIRONMENT

Environmental action has been a priority in LC13. Throughout this year, the LC13 students have worked hard collecting soft plastic at school to be disposed consciously in one of the local supermarkets. This program has helped transform hundreds of tons of plastic, that otherwise would end in landfill contaminating the environment, into new items. Additionally, the LC13 students have participated in the program 'Clean Australia' maintaining the local parks and the school surroundings free of plastic pollution.

BOOKS AND FUN

LC13 students really love a good story, and they demonstrated this love for literature during our book week. During this week, the students shared with the rest of the class their favourite books and, on the last day, they dressed up as their favourite book character. They continued exploring new book titles during our fortnightly excursions to Lalor Library. There, they discovered different genres including biography, manga and fantasy. At the end of term three, the students enjoyed a fun day out at Melbourne Central playing a game of bowling and laser tag.



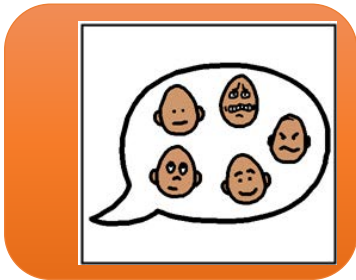
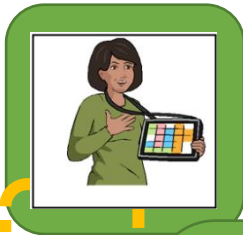
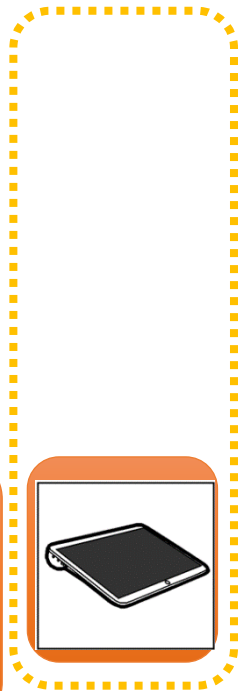
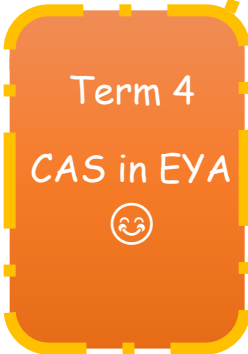
In Early Years communication extends PAST the classroom walls!

We have been busy going on local walks, visiting farms and zoos, swimming lessons, gymnastics and our local Bounce, travelling with our communication devices and communication supports.

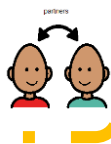
The students have been practicing travelling with their devices and carrying them themselves. Students have made great progress with building their understanding of their - ownership and responsibility for their device. Staff have been working hard to be effective communication partners who are always ready to support spontaneous messages from our students.

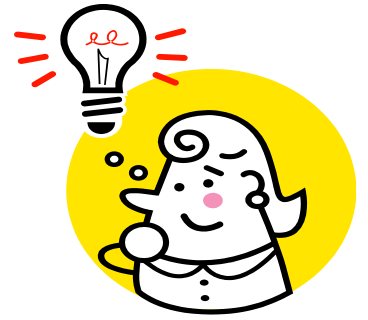
We look forward to making this term our best yet!

-May Sampson and April Beaton (Communication Accessible



Communication Accessible Schools - CAS





REMINDER

Dear Parents/Carers,

Just a reminder that **Monday 31st October**
is a Student Free day and Tuesday 1st
November 2022 is a Public Holiday
(Melbourne Cup).

There will be no classes, buses or After
School Care will be running for students on
these days.

Thank you
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