

Newsletter

Learning for Life

Important Dates

Last Day Term 1

Thursday 7th April 3:00pm RC LC

SSG Meetings

Friday 8th April RC LC

NO BUSES RUNNING

ANZAC DAY PUBLIC HOLIDAY

Monday 25th April

NO SCHOOL

Start Term 2

Tuesday 26th April 9:00am RC LC

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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Lalor Campus

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From the Principal

Dear Parents and Carers,

How incredible that the first term of school is almost over. It has been a wonderful term that has been full of exciting learning activities and school events. Students have settled in well to learning routines and it is just wonderful to have everyone back at school.

Have a happy and safe holiday!

Lalor Campus

The building of a new outdoor space at the Lalor Campus will begin in the coming weeks. The outdoor area will be accessed by all students at different times of the day.

SSG Meetings

SSG meetings will be held on 8th April, please note that parents, carers and other adult visitors who enter school buildings must be able to show evidence of two doses of COVID-19 vaccine or have a valid medical exception. Proof of vaccination can be checked by a COVID-19 digital certificate (Service Victoria app or smartphone wallet) or printed copy of a digital certificate or immunisation history statement.

2021 Annual Report

The 2021 Annual Report can be found on the NSA website. The annual report reflects the achievements and progress of Northern School for Autism in 2021. Please contact me if you would like to discuss this report.

<https://www.northernautism.vic.edu.au/school-council>

Northern School for Autism Newsletter

Message from the VSBA

As you may be aware, the Victorian School Building Authority (VSBA) has been working on a project that will plan for the long-term redevelopment of our site, including the Northern School for Autism campus plus the facilities used by Lalor and District's Men's Shed and the University of the Third Age.

As well as creating a long-term plan for the whole site, the project will upgrade the facilities at Peter Lalor Secondary College.

These works will commence at Peter Lalor SC in the coming month. Early works will include some site set up and preparation, followed by the excavation, services connection, groundworks and construction of the building slab. The structural framework will then be installed and covered. It is anticipated the upgrade will be completed in late 2023.

The highest priority for our school and the Department of Education and Training is the safety of all students travelling to and from school, and while at school.

I have been in close discussion with the VSBA and can confirm there will be minimal impacts on students and their families. Student drop off and pickup will also remain unaffected by construction.

Any works on this site must also comply with Covid Safe Guidelines and the *Workplace (Additional Industry Obligations) Directions*, to the extent that they apply at the time of the works.

I will continue to provide updates as necessary to ensure our community are updated as the project progresses.

If you have any further questions about these works, you can phone the VSBA on **1800 896 950**, email vsba@education.vic.gov.au or visit the website:

<https://www.schoolbuildings.vic.gov.au/peter-lalor-secondary-college>.

Pamela Mathieson
Principal

NSA SCIENCE FACT!



There are more stars in the universe than there are grains of sand on earth.

Middle Years B & Norris Bank Satellite Rooms

Hello everyone,

This term went incredibly fast, and I wish to thank every one for your support to our teaching teams in Middle Years B and Norris Bank Satellite Rooms, for the commitment and hard work you show every day in getting your children to school.

We were fortunate enough to undertake most of this term without major disruptions and challenges. Our teaching programs and events have unfolded as planned during the term and our teachers continue to work hard.

On Tuesday 22nd March, some classrooms went to Melbourne Zoo as part of their excursion program. Students have been exploring the different animals around them. They had a wonderful time exploring and discovering how animals live in their habitats through a close encounter with some special animals. It was a magical day, full of interest, excitement and very receptive students! Well done, everyone.

All students from our sub-school participated in swimming program this term and they will continue to practice and consolidate their skills in Term 2. Swimming is a very important skill, I have included below quote from champion swimming coach Mr Laurie Lawrence, his main message is that “children can learn great swimming and water safety skills through regular play and exploration under adult supervision”. The majority of our students have learnt great skills in the pool through regular sessions and they absolutely enjoy the water.

This Term, some classrooms have also participated in a weekly Latitude excursion program on Mondays. This program has provided an excellent opportunity for our students to learn social and communication skills, develop their gross motor skills, as well as increase their physical ability and confidence through participating in a range of activities, such as rock climbing, high rope, basketball shooting and etc.

What a busy term we have had and we are looking forward more to come next term. Have a great holiday break; enjoy all the chocolate over the weekend!

Regards,

Angeline Chen

Leading Teacher

(Middle Years B & Norris Bank Satellite Rooms)

Room 4

It has been a fantastic start to the year for Room 4. The students have been settling in their new environment. They have been learning classroom routines and getting to know the different areas of the school.

Room 4 have been engaging in a range of activities that include Literacy, Numeracy, Music, Art, Attention to Autism, Trampoline and a weekly STEAM building visit.

During Art Sessions we have been exposing the students to a variety of materials. They are doing a great job creating their Art pieces. This week we have been creating Easter hats to wear for our upcoming Easter Hat Parade.

ROOM 22

Students in room 22 have had a great start to the year with lots of engaging and exciting activities. They have been enjoying their weekly excursions to Latitude where they get to jump, bounce and climb, they have also been practicing their swimming skills once a week at Reservoir Leisure Centre. The students engage with the VR Room once a week, and have rotations of the different trampolines around the school.

Students have been participating in literacy and numeracy lessons focusing on counting, number placement, data collection, sight reading, story books, and writing. They have participated in our Occupational Therapist lessons called 'Hartley knows I can write!' where students are learning letter angles and practicing their writing skills.

Room 22 students love turn taking and choosing their favorite songs during music, and playing social games such as Mr. Potato Head, Bowling, and sensory play.

They have done a great job this term, we can't wait to see them back in Term 2! Well done room 22!

STEAM - Reservoir

The STEAM building has all classrooms from Reservoir and Norris Bank visit on a weekly basis. Students are experiencing a wide variety of technology based on their skills and are supported by all staff.

Early Years students are interacting with touch and swiping a Interactive Whiteboard, Construction Corner and the Virtual Reality Room. Whilst Middle Years students are experiencing a mixture of OSMO Coding Apps, Bee-Bots, Lego Corner and Virtual Reality Room.

Students are given the opportunity in the Lego Corner to choose from a variety of construction activities including Lego, Duplo, K-nex, Magnetic Tiles and Cubes, Castle Wooden Block and Popiodes. This wide variety of construction caters for all student's needs.

NSA's Discovery Dome Incursion



Students from the Reservoir Campus and Norris Bank recently engaged in Earth and Space sciences when the Science Discovery Dome visited NSA at the Reservoir Campus .

Incursions such as this provide the students with new knowledge in a realistic and engaging setting. Through this interactive and immersive experience, the students viewed digital projections of the night sky including the stars, planets and major constellations.

The elements of the night sky were discussed in detail with colour and musical accompaniment providing information and wonderment for our students. It was fantastic to see all students enter the dome and experience a sense of WOW! The students enjoyed working on activities in the classroom that provided language experiences and consolidated their learning.

Community Vax



Pop-ups

**First, Second and
Booster doses**

Children's vaccine
available

Tuesdays: Wollert Community Hall,
525 Epping Rd, Wollert

Thursdays: Kirrip Community Centre,
135 De Rossi Boulevard, Wollert

Fridays: Janefield Community Centre,
2 Manchester Cres, Bundoora

* AstraZeneca and Pfizer. 4pm-7.30pm. Walk-ups only

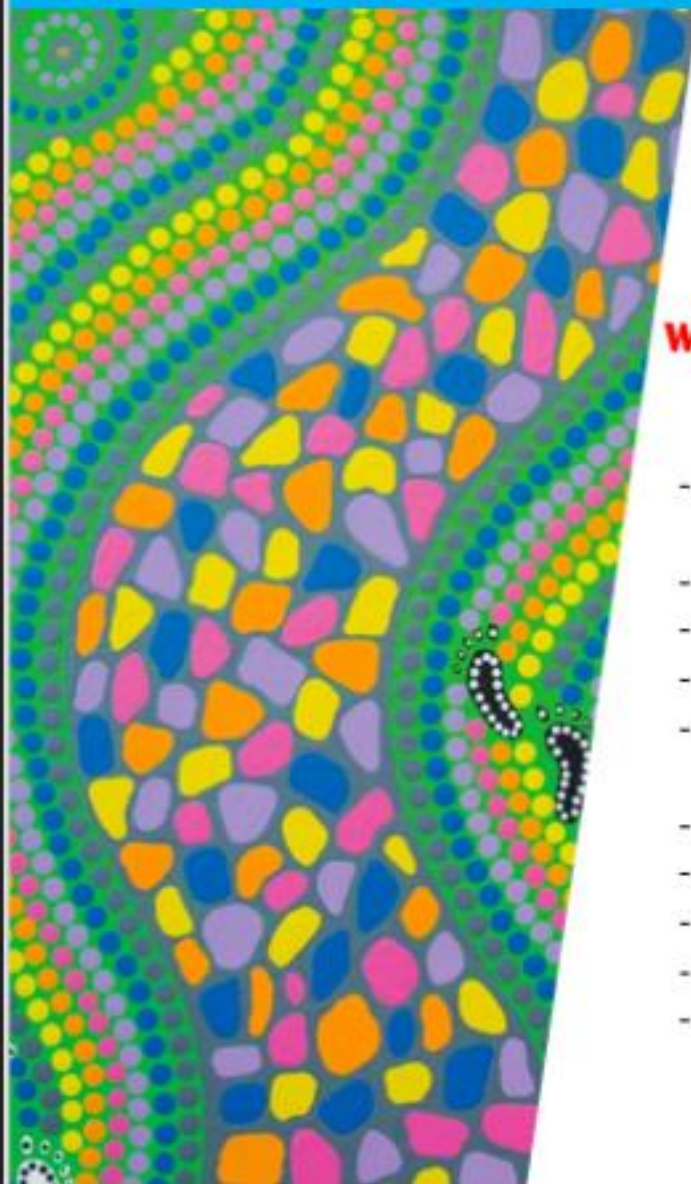
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OPERATING HOURS
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Easter Raffle Winners

**CONGRATULATIONS TO THE WINNERS OF THE 2022
EASTER RAFFLE**

Thank you to everyone who donated to the Easter Raffle.

**Can the winners of the raffle please contact reception to
arrange pick up**

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| 1. Christian LC9 | 12. Zach R3 | 23. Fouad LC6 |
| 2. Olivia R17 | 13. Safia R24 | 24. Mikaela R20 |
| 3. Ethan K LC7 | 14. Damon R12 | 25. Mikayla R13 |
| 4. Lachlan LC5 | 15. Jackson LC8 | 26. Pierre R25 |
| 5. Ava R11 | 16. Anthony LC11 | 27. Michael R21 |
| 6. Emilio R18 | 17. Ashar R16 | 28. Leonardo R22 |
| 7. Brendon LC2 | 18. Visal NB3 | 29. Caleb R4 |
| 8. Kodi R21 | 19. Henry R24 | 30. Calvin R12 |
| 9. Charlie R5 | 20. Thomas R18 | 31. Jacob R19 |
| 10. Blake I NB2 | 21. Davis R20 | 32. Connor K LC 5 |
| 11. William R22 | 22. Lilly-Rose R23 | 33. Zyan NB3 |