

Important Dates

Parent Coffee Morning
Friday 6th December at
Reservoir Campus
9.30am

Reservoir Graduation
Thursday 12th December

Lalor Graduation
Monday 16th December

Special Lunch Day
Tuesday 17th December
Reservoir Campus & Norris
Bank

Special Lunch Day
Wednesday 18th December
Lalor Campus

Last Day for students Term 4
Thursday 19th December
2pm finish

SSG Day
Friday 20th December
No buses and classes

Term 1 2025 Commences
Thursday 30th January 2025
9am start

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FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Hello Parents and Carers,

The next few weeks will be very exciting as we have orientation, transitions, and graduations at each campus.

Preparing for 2025

Next year, there will be 45 Foundation students at the Reservoir Campus and 48 Year 7 students at the Lalor Campus. We are busy working to recruit more teachers and have joined an International Teacher Recruitment Program through the Department of Education.

A Reminder About Mobile Phones

As a reminder, please note that the Department of Education and Training (DET) has a policy regarding mobile phone use in schools. To ensure a safe and focused learning environment, we ask that students keep their mobile phones turned off and securely stored during school hours.

NDIS External Therapists

This is a reminder that external therapists cannot come into the school to work with students or conduct observations. All students at the school have external therapists, and the Leadership Team and teaching teams cannot manage external therapists in the classroom.

Hats

Just a reminder that all students are required to wear a school hat in Term 4 and Term 1. As a SunSmart school, the UV rating is checked daily before outdoor activities.

Practicing OH&S Procedures

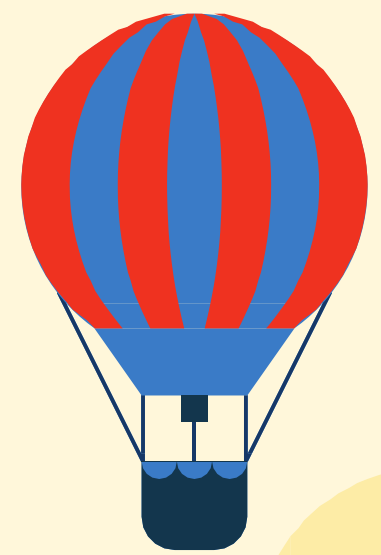
Throughout the year, as part of NSA's OH&S procedure/policy, we conduct practice internal and external evacuation and lockdown drills at each campus. Our students are well prepared, and the drills give staff an opportunity to assess what needs to be improved in our procedures. They also provide students with the chance to practice. We recently had a classroom lockdown drill.

Pamela Mathieson

Principal

WHAT'S ON

ROOM 2, RESERVOIR CAMPUS



Room Two continued all the fun learning adventures throughout the year! Recently, our students learnt how to share about some special items during Show and Tell sessions. They described colours and textures of an object and recalled information such as a specific location and memories with family as well as learnt to make comments with visual support. It is amazing to see our students' increasing confidence in their communication and listening skills. Our learners in Room Two also had some great times at swimming and park excursions, they learnt about spatial awareness, how to play safely and respect the space of other community members.

Science has been as blast! Our students explored physical science through experiments such as making a Leak Proof Bag and learning to use a Catapult. We also recently welcomed a chrysalis into our classroom, everyone took turns to spray water for it daily, explored the life cycle of a butterfly and learnt to record data on a Spraying Log. Our students are absolutely excited to wait to see the butterfly! Everyone in Room Two has built beautiful connections with each other throughout the year, they have been learning positive social skills through social games sessions. They enjoyed playing games like 'What's The Time, Mr Wolf?' while practicing skills on turn-taking and following game rules. Room Two has also actively participated in regular Speech and Occupational Therapy sessions which have been very supportive to our students' play skills, communication and personal skills. Everyone had a fruitful and successful year of learning and growth!



Room 19

Room 19 has had a fantastic year! This semester we have gone on multiple excursions including a range of parks, Action Indoor Sport and We Rock the Spectrum. As part of our Maths money unit, room 19 went on local walk where they visited the grocery store and used cash to buy treats or items for our weekly cooking sessions. The students in room 19 have also become professional chefs over this year and have cooked meals like chicken schnitzels, scalloped potatoes, butter chicken and BBQ sausages and burgers. In the classroom the students have enjoyed playing with Lego and using the OSMO iPad. Room 19 loved going to the STEAM building to play with the coding robots and doing waterplay. As this year is coming to an end, staff are sad to see our students go but we are excited to watch them grow throughout the years.

This semester, LC4 has been both busy and productive! Our students have been exploring community signs and symbols, and they've had the opportunity to get creative through Diwali and Remembrance Day art and craft projects.

The students have settled in wonderfully to the new learning environment, forming strong connections with their classmates. They look forward to their daily morning chats and enjoy collaborating on various group activities.

In addition to our core learning, LC4 students have participated in several exciting programs this term. These include PIT Gym, art and yoga sessions, laundry, breakfast club, cleanliness, hygiene lessons, reading support, and local walks. As part of our exercise program, LC4 has also begun exploring the geography of Lalor through local block walks, fostering both physical activity and a deeper connection to their community.

It's been a fantastic term, and we look forward to what's ahead!

LALOR OCCUPATIONAL THERAPY

Newsletter

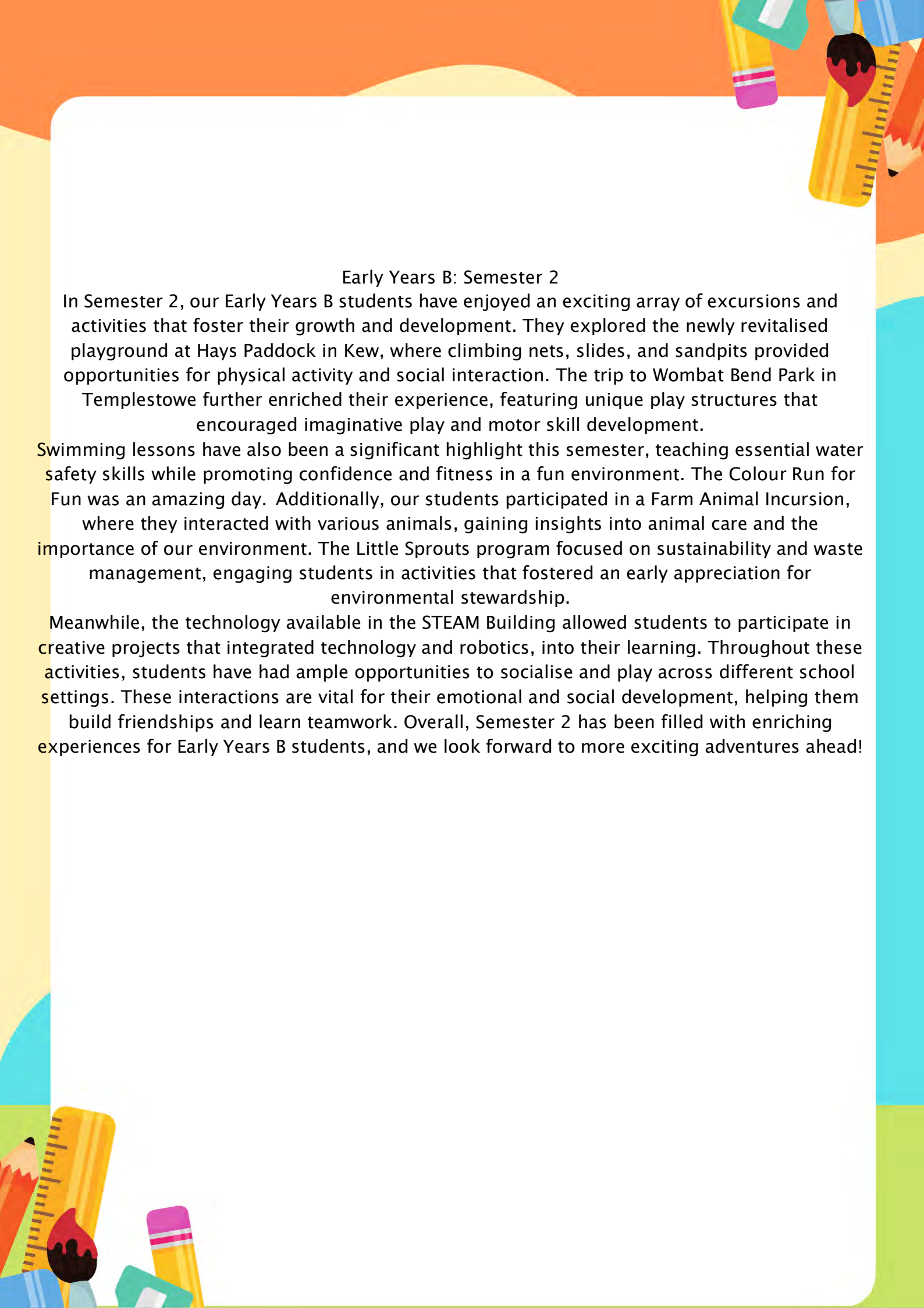


D wing highlights

This term, students from D wing have continued to participate in OT sessions, focusing on a range of different life skills including self-care, executive function, work-related skills, and sensory regulation.

Celebrating OT week

Thank you to everyone who took part in OT Week celebrations this term! This year's theme was 'Celebrating 80 Years of Connection.' A special thanks to those who helped students with the Connection Chains craft activity – they turned out beautifully!



Early Years B: Semester 2

In Semester 2, our Early Years B students have enjoyed an exciting array of excursions and activities that foster their growth and development. They explored the newly revitalised playground at Hays Paddock in Kew, where climbing nets, slides, and sandpits provided opportunities for physical activity and social interaction. The trip to Wombat Bend Park in Templestowe further enriched their experience, featuring unique play structures that encouraged imaginative play and motor skill development.

Swimming lessons have also been a significant highlight this semester, teaching essential water safety skills while promoting confidence and fitness in a fun environment. The Colour Run for Fun was an amazing day. Additionally, our students participated in a Farm Animal Incursion, where they interacted with various animals, gaining insights into animal care and the importance of our environment. The Little Sprouts program focused on sustainability and waste management, engaging students in activities that fostered an early appreciation for environmental stewardship.

Meanwhile, the technology available in the STEAM Building allowed students to participate in creative projects that integrated technology and robotics, into their learning. Throughout these activities, students have had ample opportunities to socialise and play across different school settings. These interactions are vital for their emotional and social development, helping them build friendships and learn teamwork. Overall, Semester 2 has been filled with enriching experiences for Early Years B students, and we look forward to more exciting adventures ahead!

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Week 1

4/25 Trafalgar Rd Epping, 3076

Monday 6th Jan: 2 Hour session at super Park Highpoint \$35
(Board Games / Games at Centre) (BYO Lunch)

Tuesday 7th Jan: Melbourne Museum (Free- BYO Lunch)

Wednesday 8th Jan: Wyncity Park Bowling \$18
Picnic at JC Donath Reserve Reservoir

Thursday 9th Jan: Royal Park Nature Playground + Walk and Picnic

Friday 10th Jan: Footy day Sausage Sizzle at Thomastown
Football Netball Club \$5

Week 2

Monday 13th Jan: Victoria State Rose Garden Weribee
Walk followed by a picnic

Tuesday 14th Jan: MoPA: Museum of play and Art Thomastown \$13 (BYO Lunch)

Wednesday 15th Jan: Explore Brimbank Park + Picnic (BYO Lunch)

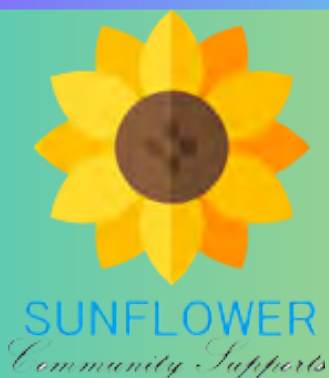
Thursday 16th Jan: MCG Australian Sports museum \$16

Friday 17th Jan: Fairy Park Geelong \$14



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Week 3



Monday 20th:

Healesville Sanctuary Zoo (BYO Lunch)

Tuesday 21st:

**Williamstown Botanic Gardens walk + Picnic
(BYO Lunch)**

Wednesday 22nd:

**Montsalvat Artist Community Picnic (\$8-\$14 BYO
Lunch)**

Thursday 23rd:

Croc's centre Reservoir \$14.50 (BYO Lunch)

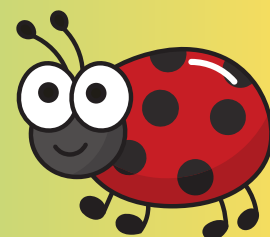
Friday 24th:

**Nature walk at Grasswell forest (Bush Day). Children can collect
leaves or natural elements to incorporate in their art and craft
activity later at the centre.**

Week 4

Monday 27th:

(Public Holiday)



Tuesday 28th:

**Edendale Community environment Farm + Picnic
(BYO Lunch)**

**Please Bring Your Companion Card if you have
one. Ask us how to apply!!**

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Additional information:

Want something exciting and fun these school holidays? keep your child engaged and entertained in an enriching environment. Look no further than our School Holiday Program as it is packed with exciting activities, unforgettable experiences and mainly fun adventures! catered to your child's individual needs.

1:1, 1:2 and 1:3 Child ratio support options available. We can also offer flexibility for your child if they do not want to engage in a particular activity. We also have an amazing sensory room onsite for your child to use if they are feeling overwhelmed. Indoor sessions to run in a fully equipped Classroom and Kitchen Workshop.

Cost:

(NDIS Funded)

- 1:1 9am-3pm \$420.54 per day
- 1:2 9am-3pm \$217.86 per day
- 1:3 9am-3pm \$150.42 per day

Full quote available upon request!

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