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Dear Parents and Caregivers,

The Beatles famously sang that all we need is love – and there was plenty of that to go around this past week. A happy atmosphere filled the corners of every part of the school, as the students and their teachers caught a little love magic and spread it far and wide.

The Valentine's Day dance was enjoyed by the older students, while many of the students throughout the school took the opportunity to remind their friends and teachers how much they mean to them through their kind gifts and notes.

*Peanuts* creator, Charles M Schultz, might have had his tongue firmly in his cheek when he said that "All you need is love. But a little chocolate now and then doesn't hurt." However, he makes a good point that there are many sweet things that come our way each day which make life just that bit more special. Our friends, family and teachers are some of those – along with roses and chocolates too – and it was heart-warming to see the way the students enjoyed the spirit of Valentine's Day as they celebrated the special people in their lives.

One way in which we try to recognise the students here at Reddam is to acknowledge their achievements, whether at school or those in which they participate in their own time. We encourage parents and caregivers to let us know of these achievements so we can include them in the newsletter. They are a wonderful way of acknowledging the many hours spent practising and rehearsing – and, in the spirit of Valentine's Day, of extending a bit of love into their lives.

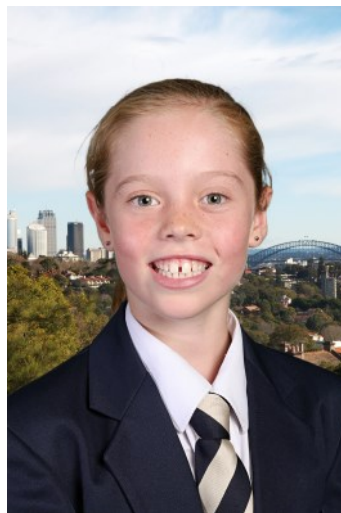




A number of our students have already made their mark, despite the year just having started. **Josh Tancred**, in Year 3, was chosen to participate in the **Regional Athletics Championships** at Barden Ridge two weekends ago. He qualified for the 200m, 400m and 800m in the Under 9 age group. Most impressively, he ran personal best times in all three of his races, running 33 secs, 72 secs and 2.46 respectively. Other exciting news for Josh is that there is a chance, based on his placings and times, that he will be chosen for the State Championships, which is scheduled for 16 and 17 March 2019 at Olympic Park Homebush. Well done, Josh, and keep training hard!



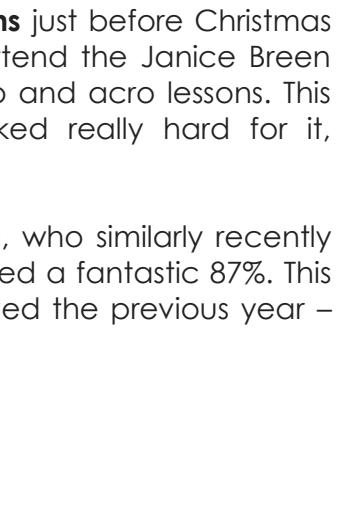
**Parker Jordan-Booth** won bronze at the **Branch Nippers Carnival** at Maroubra over the past weekend in the under 10s boys sprint relay. The competition was apparently really tough and he and his team did outstandingly to snatch the bronze medal from their competitors. Parker is now training hard for the NSW State Nippers Carnival and we wish him everything of the best for this big event.



As a team, the **Year 5 Touch Football boys** did themselves proud as they completely overwhelmed their Coogee Prep opponents 8-0. Congratulations to all of the following: **Alexander Skoufis, Idan Olovitz, Jacob Deeb, Charlie Cogan, Sam Dubossarsky, Billy Leung, Vadim Van Geuns, Weston Budd, Tylet Katz, Koby Fletcher, Gabriel Rubin, Nick Katheklakis, Ari Green** and **Oscar Bakes**.



**Jet Batu-Sampson** and **Savanah Charles** have been selected to represent the **Easts Roosters Touch Football** team at the Junior State Cup in Wagga Wagga to be held from 21- 24 February. Jet has been training hard on the representative team and she's obviously also thrilled to be representing Reddam on the field – just as we are thrilled to receive her wonderful news! Good job to both girls!



**Zara Jackaman** and **Orlandyne Pandrea**, both in Year 3, completed their **Grade One RAD Ballet exams** just before Christmas and they each achieved a pass with merit. They attend the Janice Breen Performance Studio where they take ballet, jazz, tap and acro lessons. This was their first ballet exam, and they clearly worked really hard for it, spending many hours of lessons in the exam syllabus.

Also showing off her dancing abilities was **Tali Ereira**, who similarly recently received her **RAD exam results**, for which she achieved a fantastic 87%. This was an improvement over the 79% which she received the previous year – no doubt as a result of lots of practising.

Well done to all three of you, girls!



None of these students would have achieved these heights without plenty of hard work. Undoubtedly each of them set goals, and they have probably set even more for the future. Last week I mentioned an article on goal-setting for school children. One extract reminds us that "Research shows the pursuit of goals itself is good for you, whether or not you achieve your goal. It helps you develop a sense of identity, make positive adjustments in life and promotes psychological well-being and resilience."

As we are in the business of developing the unique identities and promoting well-being in the lives of the children in the Primary School, this concept of goal-setting could not be more important. Establishing specific goals, based on the SMART acronym mentioned last week, and avoiding generalised statements such as "I want to improve in Maths" helps the students to measure themselves against tangible evidence of success.

Josh's athletic results mentioned above are an example of just that, where he could measure specific times on the track compared to his previous personal best times. So too Tali's RAD exam results, where her mark this year was significantly improved from last year's. Our teachers often speak to the students about goal-setting, whether in their academic results, or on the sports fields, or in their cultural pursuits. And just as they walk alongside the students as they pursue their goals, so they also rejoice with them when these are achieved, or even surpassed.

Our thanks to the many **Year 3 and 4 parents** who attended the **Cocktail Evening** on Monday. It was a lovely time of socialising and getting to know you better and the enthusiasm which characterised the evening bodes particularly well for the rest of the year. We look forward to welcoming the **Year 5 and 6 parents** to a similar function this coming Monday and the **Year K-2 parents** to theirs on Thursday.

The **Year 3 to 6** students had a tremendous time during their **drama excursion** on Wednesday, as they were immersed in the world of *Charlie and the Chocolate Factory*. The theatre is a magical space and the acting bug is one which bites particularly hard here at Reddam. We look forward to seeing the excitement which Wednesday's outing created being poured into drama lessons and the major school drama production later in the year.

Along with the fun of the **Valentine's Day dance** on Wednesday, the **Year 6s** also had an enjoyable time during their **art excursion** on Thursday. Their curiosity and the interest they showed will hopefully also prompt even more creative exploration in their own art pieces during the year.

Have a great weekend!

**Dee Pitcairn**  
**Principal**



## SPORTS RESULTS

BASKETBALL		GIRLS			
		18R Guy	W	Sonics	32 - 30
		BOYS			
		16R	L	Storm	29 - 32
WATER POLO	BOYS	Reddam Open R	D	Reddam E	5 - 5
		Reddam Open E	D	Reddam R	5 - 5
		Year 8	W	Reddam Yr7	8 - 4
		Year 7	L	Reddam Yr8	4 - 8
		12s	L	Waverly	2 - 8
		13s	W	SHORE	11 - 8
		14s	W	Cranbrook	12 - 2
		16s	W	Newington	7 - 6
		Opens	W	St Andrews	9 - 8
	GIRLS	Reddam 1	W	Ascham	9 - 3
		Reddam 2	W	Meriden	11 - 1

TOUCH FOOTBALL		BOYS	Year 5	W	Coogee Prep 8	- 0
			Year 6	L	Coogee Prep 1	- 3
			Year 7	L	Riverview 6	- 8
			Year 8 Blue	L	Riverview 4	- 6
			Year 8 White	L	Waverly 5	- 7
			Year 10	W	Riverview 8	- 2
			Opens	L	Riverview 2	- 8
			GIRLS	Reddam 1	L	Ascham 1
		Reddam 2		W	Monte 2	- 0
		Reddam 3		D	SCEGGS 2	- 2
		Reddam 4		D	Ascham 4	- 4
		Reddam 5		L	Kambala 0	- 4
		Reddam 6		W	Kincopal 3	- 0
		Reddam 7		L	Kambala 0	- 8
		Reddam 8		W	Kambala 6	- 1

# Happy Birthday



**Reddam House**

would like to wish a very happy birthday to

**Harriet Bakes, Alexandra-Elka Fasol, Addison Keen, Brenton Ma, Kate Brown,  
Zac Levin, Margarita Lyaschenko, Wesley Zhao, Alexander Gregory,  
Leo Hansen-Bennett, Isabel Lok, Claire Mitchell, Pierre Tibi, Eric Caredes,  
Rafael Rodov, Guoer Tang & Telmo Ohlsson Aranguiz**

Who celebrate their special day who celebrate their special day this week and over the weekend

**We hope you had a fabulous day!**

# SPORTS FIXTURES

Day	Sport		Team	Versing	Time	Venue	
Friday	Basketball Comets	Girls	18R Guy	Wings	4:30pm	Alexandria Basketball Stadium Bus de- parts Woollahra 3:30pm	
			16R Hayley	Bye			
	Waterpolo	Boys	Reddam Senior R	St Andrews	8:45pm	UNSW Pool	
			Reddam Senior E	Wests	8:15pm		
			Year 8	Bye			
			Year 7	Wests	7:15pm		
	Basketball Comets	Boys	14R	Newtown Nets	5:00pm	Alexandria Basketball Stadium Marickville PCYC	
			16R	Pirates	6:45pm		
	Waterpolo	Boys	12s	Scots	10:00am	Scots College Pool	
			13s	Scots	1:30pm	Auburn Pool—bus depart Woollahra 11:30	
			14s	St Andrews	11:20am	Riverview Pool—bus depart Woollahra 10:15	
			16s	Scots	12:50pm	Auburn Pool—bus depart Woollahra 11:30	
			Opens	Trinity	1:30pm	Trinity Pool—bus depart Woollahra 12:15	
		Girls	Reddam 1	Bye		UNSW POOL	
			Reddam 2	Bye			
			Reddam 3	St Vincent, St Catherines	12:00pm		
			Reddam 4	Bye			
			Reddam 5				
Saturday	Tennis		Reddam 1	St Pius	10:00am	Primrose Park Tennis Centre	
			Reddam 2	Redlands	10:00am	Cammeray Tennis Club	
			Reddam 3	St. Pius	10:00am	Talus Street Tennis Courts	
			Reddam 4	St Pius	10:00am	Primrose Park Tennis Centre	
			Reddam 5	Redlands	8:00am	Lane Cove Tennis Club	
			Reddam 6	Redlands	8:00am	Primrose Park Tennis Centre	
			Reddam 7	Cammeray	8:00am	Mowbray Public School	
			Reddam 8	Redlands	8:00am	Lane Cove Tennis Club	
			Reddam 9	St Pius	8:00am	Primrose Park Tennis Club	
			Reddam 10	St Pius	8:00am	Talus Street Tennis Courts	
			Reddam 11	St Pius	8:00am	Mowbray Public School	
	Touch Foot- ball	Boys	Year 5	Trinity	8:00am	Queens Park 19 (next to the Shed Café)	
			Year 6	Trinity	8:45am		
			Year 7R	Reddam Year 8 White	9:35am		
			Year 8 Blue	Waverly	10:20am		
			Year 8 White	Reddam Year 7	9:35am		
			Year 9	Waverly	11:05am		
			Year 10	Trinity	11:50am		
			Opens	Trinity	12:35pm		
		Girls	Reddam 1	SCHOLS	8:00am	Reservoir Field Centennial Park 6	
			Reddam 2	SCHOLS	9:40am	1	
			Reddam 3	Wenona	11:20am	1	
			Reddam 4	Loreto	11:20am	Mission Field Centennial Park 6	
			Reddam 5	Bye			
			Reddam 6	Bye			
			Reddam 7	St Vincents	8:50am	Mission Field Centennial Park 6	
			Reddam 8	Bye			
Sunday	Basketball	Girls	11R Bryanna	Clovelly	1:05pm	UNSW Gym	
			12R Aida	Bronte	10:15am	Waverly Pavilion	
			13R JQ	Maccabi	4:10pm	South Sydney High School Rose Bay Secondary College Waverly Pavilion	
			13E JQ	Coogee	10:20am		
			14R Bryana	Rose Bay	3:30pm		
			16R Kenny	Bondi	9:15am	South Sydney High School Rose Bay Secondary College	
			18E Guy	Maccabi	8:40am		
		Boys	10R Mehdi	Bronte	11:30am	South Sydney High School	
			10E Bryana	Bondi	11:05am	UNSW Gym	
			11R Mehdi	Bolts	10:20am	Sydney University Gym	
			12R	Bye			
			12E Mehdi	Bronte	4:50pm	UNSW Gym	
			13R Guy	Glebe	11:10am	Sydney University Gym	
			13E JQ	Storm	10:20am	Sydney University Gym	
	14E Guy	Bronte	1:50pm	UNSW Gym			
	14D JQ	Moriah	12:25pm	Rose Bay Secondary College			
	16E Guy	Team Turner	9:40am	Sydney Boys High School			
	16D Luke	Moriah	1:55pm	Rose Bay Secondary School			
	16M Kenny	Bye					
	18R JQ	Emanuel	8:55am	Sydney Boys HS Gym			
	18E JQ	Glebe	11:10am	Sydney Boys HS Gym			
	18D JQ	Greyhounds	8:10am	Sydney Boys HS Gym			



The Kindergarten children had their first real taste of specialised teaching this week and took to it like ducks to water. Sports and Ballet lessons are always a firm favourite, along with the art lessons, languages, music and computers. They came back bubbling with news from each lesson.

This week, we learnt the “b” and “h” sound, so for Valentine's Day we made beautiful hearts for our special person. Our students have been practising their fine motor skills and learning to trace and cut on the lines. They have practised writing and counting their numbers from 1-8 and have been introduced to using counters to represent numbers in a tens frame. We also learnt to represent data in a graph. This tied in well with our 'All about me' topic, as we discussed the months we were born and then added a decorated cupcake to our birthday graph.



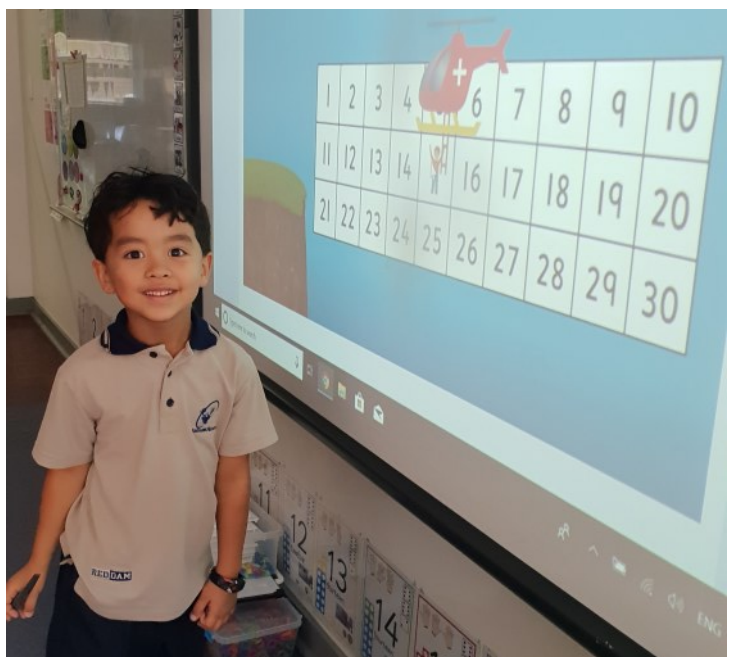
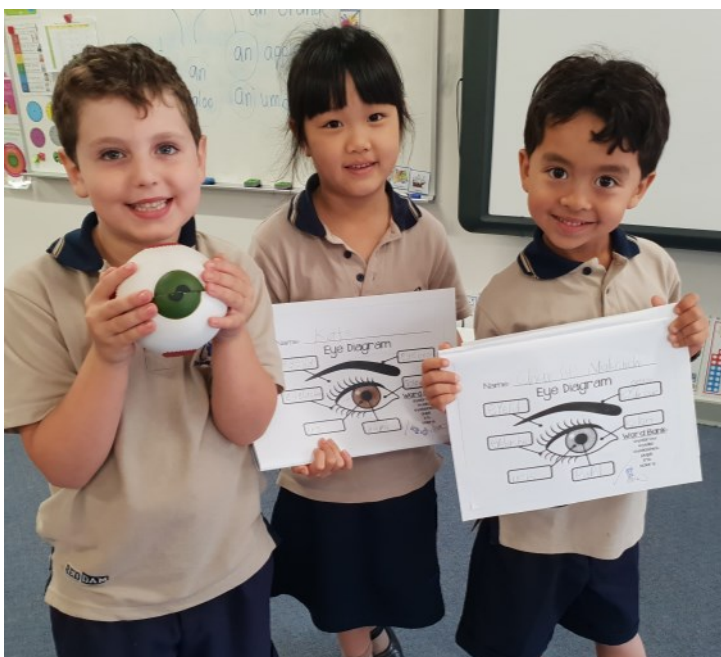
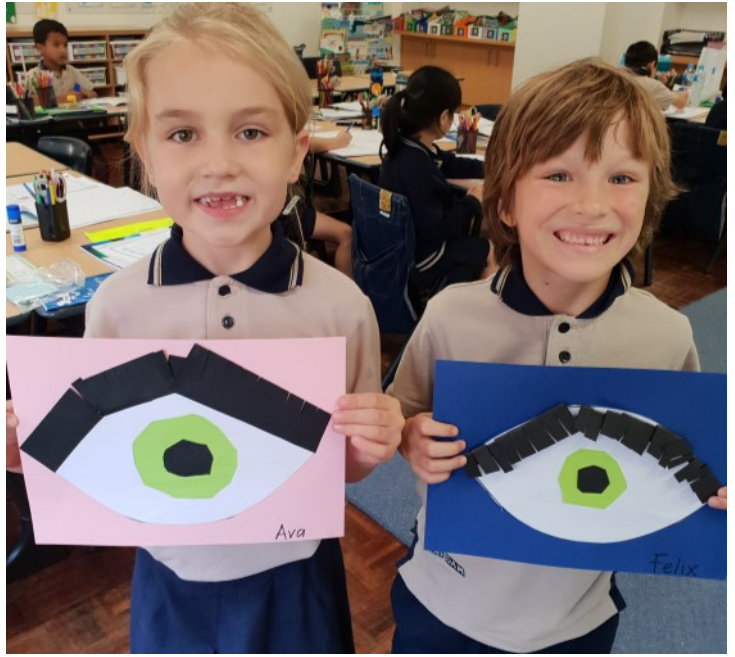
In our Personal Health lessons, we are looking at Healthy Habits and our first lesson was the importance of hand washing. It was with great delight that we completed an experiment using hand lotion and glitter to illustrate how quickly and easily germs spread. We took the experiment one step further, and saw how water did not remove the glitter, but that a good washing with soap did the trick!





This week in Year 1, the students investigated the sense of sight and how our eyes allow us to see the world. The children learned about the parts of the eye and how the reflection of light enables us to see. They collected group information about eye colour and created a pictogram of the results.

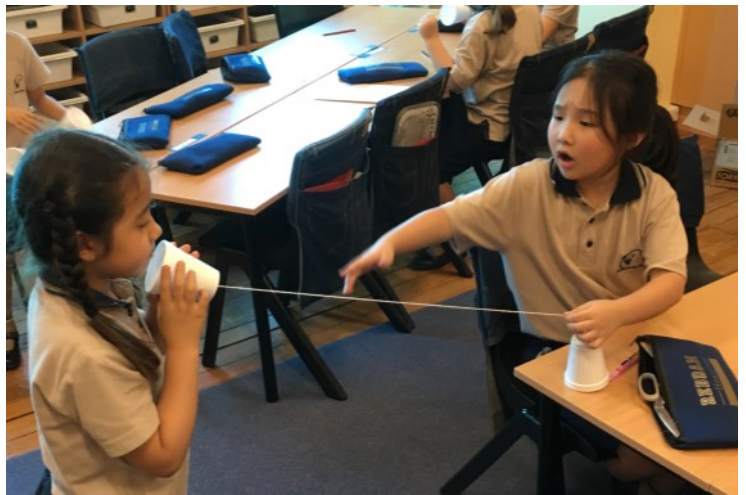
In History, the children explored their family history via finding out what a family tree is, discussing the different structures and then created their own. In English, we are continuing our study of the author Anthony Browne. This week we read the book Zoo and implemented lots of literacy skills to convey comprehension. The children particularly enjoyed the hot seating technique of becoming one of the characters from the story!





Year 2 had a fabulous week discovering all about sound in Science. The students learned about the way sounds travel from the source all the way to our brain. It was fascinating to understand that vibrations pass from the sound source to particles in the air. The vibrations then pass from particle to particle, reach our ears and then change into electrical signals that our sent to our brain.

To consolidate that sounds are vibrations we did a couple of mini experiments to show this. We watched rice grains jumping up and down on a drum, we gently touched our voice boxes to feel the vibrations that are created in our throats and we made our own simple telephones from cups and string to again see and feel those sound waves. It has been such an exciting week of hands on learning in Science and we cannot wait to learn more as the term progresses.





Now with Term 1 well under way, the Year 3 students are proving themselves to be a hard-working, enthusiastic and determined cohort. Having thoroughly enjoyed last week's excursion to The Botanic Gardens, the students have further embraced their Science topic of 'Minibeasts' within the classroom.

They were given the opportunity to independently research and fact-find a mini-beast of their choice using a variety of resources, including the internet and non-fiction books. The students recorded their information maturely and enthusiastically shared the information they had found.

Here are some things that they learnt:

Fantastic research skills Year 3. Well done!



**Jethro Klugman**

"Golden Orb spiders cover their eggs with fluffy silk. They also cover their webs with rotting organic matter in order to attract their prey."



**Louis Meyerson**

"Golden Scarab Beetles eat fruit, fungi or insects."



**Finnlay Caplice**

"The Emperor scorpion's scientific name is Pandinus Imperator."



**Justin Yu**

"Tarantulas are night time hunters who will pounce on their prey."

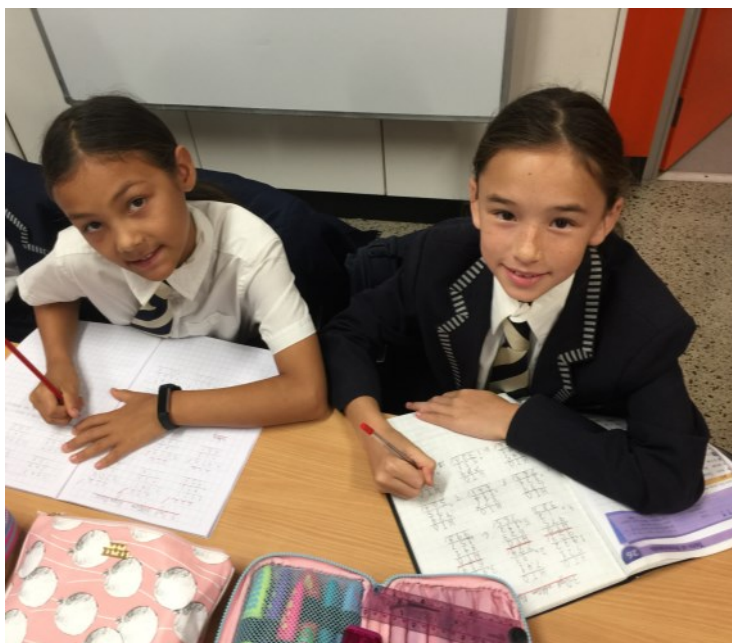
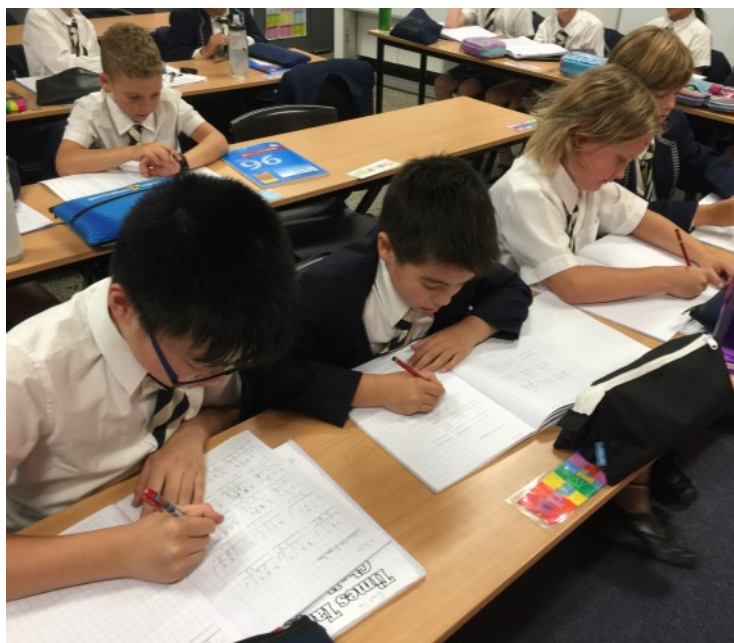


**Thomas Sands**

"The female velvet spider liquefies its organs in order to feed its babies."

The Year 4 students worked very well during the last week, as they transitioned into their full two-week timetable. Moving between Maths, English and specialist subjects is a busy business at Reddam, however the new students, accompanied by their buddies, made it seem like a breeze! Well done, Year 4, on your great team work!

In Mathematics, students worked particularly hard on the concept of place value and understanding that: *our number system is based on the number 10. There are 10 ones in 10. There are 10 tens in 1 hundred and there are 10 hundreds in 1 thousand.* Students are demonstrating a quiet confidence in their Maths classes as they show their teachers all that they know. Keep it up!



Week 3 of Term 1 was pleasantly complemented by an excursion to the Capitol Theatre with Years 3-6. The Year 4 students enjoyed 'Charlie and the Chocolate Factory' thoroughly and looked particularly smart in their full formal uniforms. They also represented the school beautifully by demonstrating responsible, considerate and independent behaviour. Year 4, the start of the year has been an absolute pleasure. Your teachers are looking forward to a successful and joyous year with you all.





This week, the Year 5 students started their exploration into the various structural features of a persuasive introduction and the different persuasive techniques. After identifying the techniques, students began to use rhetorical questions, emotive language, direct address of the reader and many more devices in their own introductions to ensure that they were persuading the audience.

This week, Year 6 students started their study of the picture book, "The Rabbits" by John Marsden and Shaun Tann. This is a post-modern visual interpretation of the European settlement in Australia and the impact that this had on the indigenous people of the land. The focus for this week was understanding the complex symbolism, imagery and content of the book which led to lively discussions around what the illustrator is trying to convey.



## YEAR 5 & 6 MATHEMATICS

It was wonderful to welcome the Year 5 and 6 students back into the Mathematics classes this week. After an exciting two weeks of orientating themselves and meeting new class mates they were ready and rearing to go.

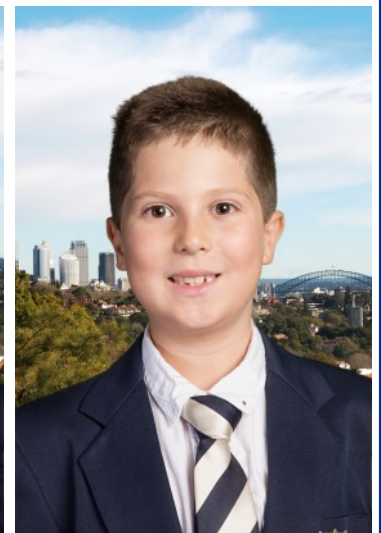
The students have practised saying and writing really big numbers, and they have revised value and place value. Writing numbers in expanded and exponential notation and learning about base numbers and their powers, exponents or indices was explored.

**Henry Wright** in Year 5 said that he enjoyed learning why 10 raised to the power of zero is equal to one.

**Zac Levin** was excited to understand that any number raised to the power of zero is 1.

In our Maths classes we discussed good work habits. One of the good habits we discussed was the importance of keeping our Maths books and material organised in such a way that it makes them easy to review regularly, and in so doing helps improve efficiency and results.

We are looking forward to an enriching year in Mathematics.



## YEAR 5 & 6 SCIENCE

This week in Science, Year 5s began discussing what science is, as well as how it's conducted. Students worked through the steps of the scientific method, explaining and connecting each, and beginning to understand what experimental variables are and why they're important in designing experiments. Students began trying their hand at outlining processes to answer their own burning questions – to be continued next week!

Year 6s brushed up on their understanding of the scientific method, ready to dive deeper this year with more application and self-direction, better able to plan their investigations! Students were also introduced to a new topic this term: microorganisms! This week we learned what it means to be a microorganism, and the different categories microorganisms fall into: bacteria, fungi, protozoa, algae, and viruses. Students were really engaged this week with relevant questions and interesting anecdotes about their experiences with microorganisms.



## YEAR 5 & 6 MUSIC

After coming back from camp and holidays the Primary Music students have returned to class refreshed and ready to sing, move, play and create music!

This week our Year 6 musicians began work on an exciting rhythmic piece called 'Get Down and Play the Drum' by Jim Solomon. Using classroom instruments, the students are learning to play the syncopated rhythms in the piece which are based on the following words.

*One two three four get down and play the drum  
I can really play the drum one two three four  
Rockin' rockin' rockin' rockin' get down and play the drum!*

They have also started listening to and analysing 'The Carnival of the Animals' by Charles-Camille Saint-Saëns.

In Year 5, the students are learning about ostinatos through a work called 'One to Four' by Chris Jodah-Laud.

Year 5 students have also begun to analyse a lovely Romantic period work called 'Pictures at an Exhibition' by Modest Musorgsky, arranged for orchestra by Maurice Ravel.

It's been a great start to Music at Reddam this year. Well done!





Morning **PIP Ensembles** commenced this week, and many students began their private instrumental lessons. PIP stands for Primary Instrumental Programme, and music specialists have enjoyed meeting and forming their 2019 ensembles. Parents who would like to check the **Music Timetable** each week for their child's lesson should visit Reddam House - Gateway - Parent Lounge - Links - General Links - Music Timetable. This is displayed each Friday evening for the following week.

### K-1 Gumnuts Choir

The Gumnuts Choir met for the first time on Tuesday morning. This is a voluntary group for Kindergarten and Year 1 students. Students learned about the benefits of group singing and also the "3 Golden Rules of Choir" - be sure to ask them next time you see them! They also learned how and why they should form beautiful rows, and began learning their first piece, *Warm-Up and Stomp Canon*. They cannot wait to perform at an assembly soon. Any students who didn't make it this week, or would like to join, are welcome to come to the Primary Drama room on Tuesday at 8am.



### K-1 Violin Ensemble

The K-1 Violin Ensemble met for the first time on Friday. Their teachers were really excited to meet all the new Kindergarten violinists and greet familiar faces in Year 1. Students will learn all about the strings on the violin, how to pluck a string, and how to use the bow to make a sound. Year 1s will be able to demonstrate these skills. During the year, the group will learn to sing lots of fun songs, and then learn how to play them on their violins.



Our voluntary activities, including **rock bands**, **Year 5-6 Singers**, **Musicianship** and **Chamber Music**, have also commenced, and new enrolments are always encouraged.

For any further information about the music programme, please email [marcus.bortolotti@reddamhouse.com.au](mailto:marcus.bortolotti@reddamhouse.com.au) or [elli.bortolotti@reddamhouse.com.au](mailto:elli.bortolotti@reddamhouse.com.au)



## YOUNG ARCHIE COMPETITION

The Art Gallery of NSW invites budding artists from K-6 to submit a portrait for the Young Archie 2019 art competition.

The portrait must be of a person who is special to you - someone who is known to you and who knows you and plays a significant role in your life.

Judges are looking for creativity and a unique take on the theme of portraiture.

You may use any medium such as watercolours, acrylic paint, pencils, oil pastels, etc.

Artworks can ONLY be of an A4 or A3 size on paper (no canvas boards).

All artworks MUST be original.

Entries must be handed into the Art Department along with the participant's full name and class as well as the title of the artwork and a brief description of the artwork before the 10th of March, 2019. Finalists will be announced on the 2nd of May, 2019.

Top 5 entries will earn points towards their Reddam Cultural Colours!

If you have any questions please ask the Art Department.

GOOD LUCK!







## **WAVERLEY COUNCIL YOUTH ART PRIZE**

The Waverley Council Youth Prize is open to participants in years 4-6.

The Purpose of the Waverley Youth Art Prize is to encourage creativity in young artists from within the Waverley Council area.

The aim of the competition is to design an artwork that represents the theme, 'Pop Your Culture'.

Participants may use mediums such as drawings, paintings, photography, printmaking, sculpture, video/film or new media, etc.

Artworks can be of an A3 or an A4 size.

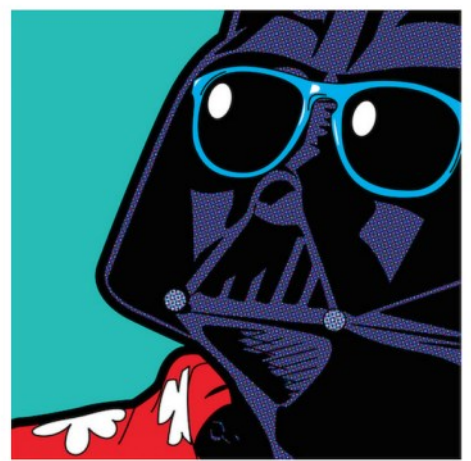
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# REDDAM HOUSE

## *String Competition*

**1st April 2019 7:00 p.m.**  
Adelaide Hall

Auditions **Wednesday 20th March**, Lunchtime - Music Terrace





# REDDAM HOUSE

## *Piano Competition*

**11th March 2019 7:00 p.m.**  
Adelaide Hall

Auditions **Monday 4th March**, Lunchtime - Music Terrace



**REDDAM HOUSE**

*Primary Elite Musicians' Recital*

**4th March 2019 7:00 p.m.**  
Adelaide Hall

Auditions **Thursday 21st February**, Lunchtime - Music Terrace



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## Year 7 to 11 Academic Scholarships

Applications close **28<sup>th</sup> February 2019**,  
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Reddam House Woollahra Campus  
on **Sunday 10<sup>th</sup> March 2019**.



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