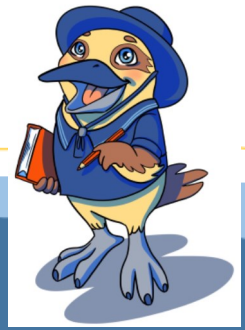




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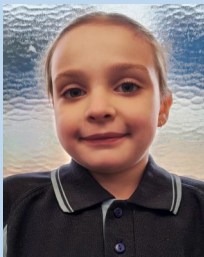
Week 16

24th May 2024

Student of the Week Congratulations to:



Emmy C-D: For her continued focus, resilience and positive mindset toward her learning. Great work Emmy!!



Mallina M: For always being respectful to her class members and completing all work to the best of her ability.



Nate V: For your outstanding dedication and fantastic progress in Literacy, your hard work does not go unnoticed. Keep up the excellent work Nate!



Lola D: For a positive attitude towards all of your learning.



Joey M: For showing fantastic listening skills and working super hard in Maths. Well done!



Muhammad A: For his excellent focus and contributions to today's learning. Keep it up Muhammad, you're a superstar when you focus!



Emma T: For being a friendly and welcoming member of the class, by helping our two new students find their way around Drouin South Primary School. Well Done.



Ava C: For always being prepared to extend yourself, learn new things and help out!

IMPORTANT DATES (See Class Dojo for More Dates)

Tuesday 4th June—Tarago Winter Sports @ Bellbird Park (back up Thurs 6th)

Friday 7th June—Curriculum day (student free day)

Monday 10th June—King’s birthday—public holiday

Tuesday 11th June—Pie orders due (collection Friday 21st June)

Wednesday 19th June—School Council 7.30pm

Monday 24th June—Planetarium Dome Science Incursion



Student of the Week Congratulations to:



Evie O: For working really hard in class and showing resilience when faced with challenges. Great job Evie!!



Quinn V: For her persistence when stretching out challenging words.



Bella B-B: For being a happy, kind and gentle friend to all and for working cooperatively with your learning partners. We are proud of you Bella!



Oliver C: For his fantastic effort on paragraph writing and doing an amazing job in the daily review. Well done!



Shanae B: For her focus and attention when learning to structure paragraphs. Shanae, you should be very proud of your writing!



Logan T: For doing an amazing job this week, by being an independent learner especially when it comes to writing. Well Done.



Ashlyn B: For always listening respectfully and contributing thoughtfully to the classroom.

Division Cross Country

Well done to our Division Cross Country team on Monday. All 19 students can be proud of their efforts and as always represented our school with pride. We had 6 students that have qualified (top 10 in respective age group) for the Regional Cross Country, which will be held on June the 6th at the Drouin Golf Course. A special mention is in order for the 9/10 girls in which all 4 Drouin South girls made the top 5!! Amazing effort. Thank you to the parents, grandparents and relatives who were able to come along and provide support.

Shanae Board- 1st

Emily Wilson- 2nd

Lara Board- 3rd

Harper McCormick-5th

Ashlyn Board- 1st

Caitlin Mugeridge-7th

Kind regards, Mr.Moore



PRINCIPAL'S REPORT



Dear Families

I have felt very welcomed by students, staff and parents since my return from Long Service Leave. It has been great to hear about the learning that has been taking place and to catch up on all the stories about what has been going on over the past 6 weeks. I wish to thank Belinda Moore for stepping in as Acting Principal as well as our team leaders and all staff for their work during my absence. I return feeling quite refreshed and extremely grateful that I was able to have this time away and enjoy many special experiences whilst travelling through Italy.

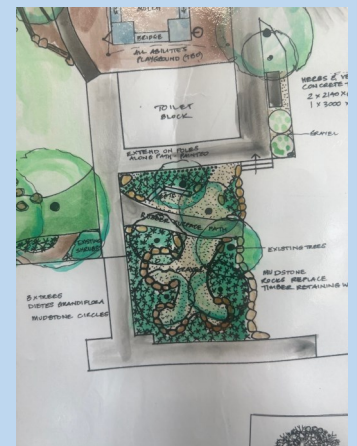
Prep Open Morning and Information Evening

Last Friday morning we held our Prep open classroom morning that was well-attended by some interested families with Preps for 2025. On Wednesday evening our information session was also very well attended. We understand that there may be other families you are aware of that are still deciding on schools for their Kinder children for next year. Please encourage them to contact us and we are very happy to give them a tour and share some information about our school.

Prep enrolments for 2025 are now open and will need to be received by the school by the 26th July.

Playground Plans

Our school council have been working with landscape designer Prue Metcalf to develop a plan for the upgrade of our school playground. This plan will be something we can work towards as a school community over the coming years. The plan involves new play spaces, seating areas, paths, decks, structures for imaginative play and new play equipment. Work will soon begin on a "Yarning Space" near the undercover area which will involve upgrading the garden space to include rock seating, new plants and pathways.



Curriculum Day

Our next Curriculum Day (Pupil Free Day) will be held on Friday 7th June. Teachers will be using this day to finalise reports, take a deeper look into student half-year assessments and to begin planning for Term 3 learning. The date has been selected to coincide with the long weekend to be least disruptive for learning and to hopefully provide families with some extra time together.

Biggest Morning Tea

Junior School Council and Parent's Club facilitated the Biggest Morning Tea activity this morning. This has been a fund raiser for the Cancer Council of Australia. We thank all students and parents for getting behind this important fundraiser.

Pie Drive Reminder

Just a reminder that the Parent's Club are currently running a Pie Drive Fundraiser. Please note that the order deadline is **Tuesday 11th June** (the day after the Long Weekend).

Michael Smith— Principal - Caring, Respectful, Learners

Drouin South Primary School Community acknowledges the Kurnai –Gunai peoples as the traditional custodians of the land on which we live and learn together. We pay our respects to elders past, present and emerging.

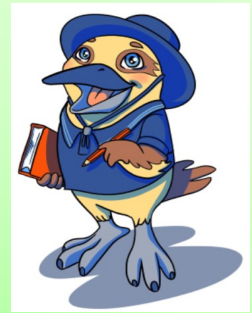


The Kookie Shop needs you!

We are seeking donations of new or clean and in good condition used items for our Kookie shop.

Items can be sent to school and given to Mrs Moore or the office.

Items such as books, toys, games, stationary etc. would be happily received.




Thank you for supporting The Kookie Shop!


SPOTLIGHT

Book Club ISSUE 4


THE VALUE OF BECOMING A

REGULAR READER

R **REWIRE YOUR BRAIN:** Regular reading can rewire your brain to help you think and understand others. 


E **EXPAND YOUR KNOWLEDGE:** Books are treasure troves of information. Regular reading introduces you to new ideas, and fuels your curiosity. 

A **ACADEMIC SUCCESS:** Regular reading enhances comprehension, critical thinking, and problem-solving skills.

D **DREAMS TAKE FLIGHT:** Books inspire dreams. Regular reading fuels imagination and ambition. 

E **EMPATHY & UNDERSTANDING:** Walk in others' shoes through characters' experiences. Books encourage empathy and connect hearts. 

R **REDUCES YOUR STRESS:** Regular reading can transport you away from worries and stress.

S **STRENGTHEN LANGUAGE SKILLS:** Vocabulary, grammar and communication improve with every page turned! 

Absence Notifications

Have you received an SMS from our new Absence Notification System?

It is a requirement for all government schools to notify parents on the day that a student is absent.

If we are made aware of the absence prior to the day, we will endeavour to mark the class roll as such so that absence texts will not be automatically generated. Sometimes you may receive a text even though you have notified us. In any case, we ask that you reply to the number with a short explanation or to ring the school to let us know the reason for the absence.

The automatic notifications are being sent out of a commitment to ensuring student safety and well-being.



Stay well this winter

Symptoms of influenza (flu) can hit very quickly and may last several weeks. Vaccination is the best way to protect yourself and others from getting the flu.

Keeping our school community well

Parents, carers and students are encouraged to practice prevention measures, including:

- washing and sanitising hands regularly
- avoiding touching eyes, nose and mouth with unwashed hands
- covering nose and mouth when coughing or sneezing
- staying home if unwell and consulting a general practitioner (GP) or [Nurse-on-call](#) as required
- staying up to date with flu and COVID-19 vaccinations.

Flu vaccinations

Flu vaccinations can be booked through GPs and pharmacies, many of which can also provide COVID-19 vaccinations. Flu vaccination is recommended for everyone aged 6 months and over.

Some people are more at risk of complications from flu and are eligible for free vaccination as part of the [National Immunisation Program](#).

COVID-19 booster

The 2024 COVID-19 booster dose is available for everyone aged 18 and above.

Getting your booster dose remains the best way to prevent severe illness or hospitalisation, especially in people aged over 65 and those at higher risk of severe illness.

Children aged between 5 and 17 years who are at risk of severe illness can also receive a 2024 booster dose.

You can get your next dose at your local pharmacy or GP. To find one near you, refer to the [vaccine clinic finder](#).

Find out more

For more information about preventing flu, and immunisation, refer to:

[Better Health Channel influenza flu immunisation fact sheet](#)

[Getting vaccinated against influenza.](#)



FOOD ALLERGY WEEK®

ALLERGY & ANAPHYLAXIS AUSTRALIA

26 MAY - 1 JUNE 2024

Food allergies are becoming increasingly common and understanding them is important for everyone, especially when eating out.

ALWAYS ASK

ALWAYS TELL

To find out how you can be involved visit allergyfacts.org.au/faw



Allergy & Anaphylaxis Australia
Your trusted charity for allergy support

We're in town

See you soon, Warragul

12 to 28 June


Australian Red Cross
Lifeblood®

Got a bit of time next month? Time to give blood and change lives? 1 in 3 people in Warragul will need blood, and they need people like you to give it.

We're rolling into town from 12 to 28 June. Don't forget to pre-book your spot at lifeblood.com.au, on our app or on 13 14 95



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Mobile Blood Donor Centre
Warragul Harness Racing Club
Logan Park – 19 Howitt Street
Opening hours at lifeblood.com.au

Book your donation now



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Two
week
program

Bookings
close
14 June
2024

Program
Hours:
7.30am to
6.30pm

Winter School Holiday Program at St John the Baptist Primary School

Join our exciting two week holiday program at the school premises:
172 Station Street, Koo Wee Rup (access via Salmon Street).
The program is action packed with fun activities for you and your friends.

Monday 1 July

Crazy creations:

Make your own snow globe and pencil case as well as loads of other craft.



Tuesday 2 July

Hands on activities: weird science

We will introduce our budding scientists to science themes in a fun and memorable way, including making a model to take home to share their experience with other family members.

Incursion from 10am



Wednesday 3 July

Game on:

It's time to get active through lots of sports and games.



Thursday 4 July

OSHscape Room - with Supreme Incursions

Put your thinking caps on: Our young detectives must put their clever minds together to help solve the mystery of a missing person through riddles and clues.

Incursion from 10am



Friday 5 July

Winter Wonderland

A day full of winter fun including a hot chocolate bar, snowman making and even snow.



Call our friendly team on 1300 946 337

www.windermere.org.au



HOLIDAY OPTIONS PROGRAM (HOP)

HOP is a supported group recreation program that provides participants with opportunities to learn, develop new skills, make friends, and connect with their local community. Regular activities occur during school holidays and a limited number take place within school terms. Activities are between 6-8 hours in duration.

ELIGIBILITY: Aged 5-12 years, residing in Gippsland and have a NDIS plan.

ACTIVITIES ARE PLANNED BASED ON PARTICIPANT INTERESTS AND MAY INCLUDE:

- **EVENTS** - shows, plays, exhibits.
- **ACTION** - kayaking, laser tag, rock climbing, snow, water parks, indoor play centers.
- **CREATIVITY** - dancing, music, art, craft, cooking.
- **HEALTH AND WELLBEING** - fitness, teamwork, exercise.

IF INTERESTED PLEASE CONTACT US TODAY!



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