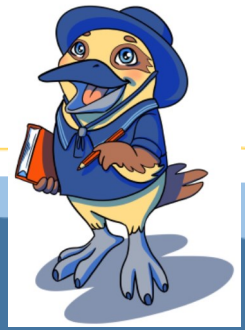




“Learning Together”



A community of active thinkers who can achieve their dreams.

Caring, Respectful, Learners

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Week 22

19th July 2024

Student of the Week Congratulations to:



Corey D: For his persistence and focus with spelling, including using spelling tools when necessary. Great effort Corey!!



Amna A: For being a respectful member in our class.



Ayce M: For always showing fantastic listening skills and working his hardest in all subjects. Well done!



Harlan V: For being a kind classmate and focused learner at all times. Harlan, you truly are a superstar!



Axl W: For trying his hardest this week in class, especially when it comes to reading. Well Done.



Brody P: For showing excellent focus during all learning tasks and brightening the class with your sense of humour.

IMPORTANT DATES (See Class Dojo for More Dates)

Friday 26th July—**Gr.5-6**—Swimming permission forms, Student Ability form (link on Dojo) & payment due

Monday 29th July—Friday 2nd August—Swimming—Gr.5/5G & 5/6R

Friday 2nd August—Book Fair, Parade, Grandparents’ morning & other activities—see p.3

Thursday 1st August—**Gr.1-4**—Swimming permission forms, Student Ability form (link on Dojo) & payment due

Monday 5th—Friday 9th August—Swimming—Gr.4

Monday 12—Friday 16th August—Swimming—Gr.3

Monday 26th—Friday 30th August—Swimming—Gr.1/2, Gr.2/3 & Year 1 students from Gr.Prep/1

Wednesday 21st August—School Council—7.30pm

Monday 26th August—Father’s Day stall



PRINCIPAL'S REPORT



Dear Families

Term 3

Welcome back to all families and staff for the beginning of Term 3. We are all excited to be back and looking forward to a great term of learning.

One of the big events that is happening soon is our **Swimming and Water Safety Program**. We have been fortunate once again to have been successful in obtaining a Sporting Schools grant which has enabled us to reduce the cost from \$100 to \$30 per student. This makes the program very good value for the 5 days of swimming sessions. We hope to see all of our students in Years 1 to 6 taking advantage of this opportunity to gain some swimming and safety skills as well as developing confidence around water. It is unfortunate that we were unable to book Preps in this year due to the lack of availability at the pool.

School Improvements

Our **"Yarning Space"** has taken shape over the school holidays and would have been completed for the start of term if not for the weather! Once this area in front of the office is completed it will be a very nice area for seating, chatting and playing. It will also make a nice waiting area for parents at the end of the day or even a great outdoor learning space. This development has been made possible through funds raised from our Farm World delivery service along with a Koorie Cultural Understandings grant we were successful in obtaining through the Department of Education.

Supervision and School Attendance Reminder

Our teachers are on duty for supervision from **8.45am each morning until 3.30pm** each afternoon. It is important that students do not attend the school outside of these times. (Bus travellers excepted). **Our Out of School Hours Care service** can be accessed parents who need to have children here outside of those times. Information about our OSHC service can be found [HERE](#).

Wet Weather—Spare Clothes

During these wet days it would be very helpful if students could have a spare change of uniform with them at school. The grounds have been very muddy and slippery causing quite a few muddy mishaps. Unfortunately we do not always have enough spares on hand to children to change into.

We still have an ENORMOUS amount of **lost property** accumulating on the deck outside the office. Many of these items are un-named or are labelled with names of past students. Please come and collect anything that your child has lost.

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.



Checking for Understanding – Mini Whiteboards



Mini whiteboards are an effective engagement norm used at Drouin South Primary to assess students' understanding of the material. Lesson slides include specific icons, informing students which engagement norm will be used to gauge their understanding.

What does it look like in action?

After teaching a concept or skill, teachers pose a specific question or assign a task for students to complete. Students then write their answers on their whiteboards.

The phrase "3, 2, 1, chin it" prompts students to hold their whiteboards at their

chins, enabling the teacher to quickly scan and evaluate their responses. This technique allows for an immediate assessment of all students' understanding and provides an opportunity for the teacher to offer instant feedback to address any misconceptions.

By integrating this method into their lessons, teachers ensure active participation and continuous monitoring of student progress.



Duty Times



Teachers are officially on duty from *8.45am* each morning before school and until *3.30pm* after school. *It is important that students only attend school during these supervised hours.* The exceptions to the rule are those students who catch the country bus services and students in Out of School Care.

New Publicity forms—please return ASAP

A **new** 'Photographing, Filming and Recording Students' form has been sent home for all students. ***Please note this form has changed, and needs to be completed for every student.*** Please complete and return to school. Students can send them to the office via the classroom basket.



STAY TUNED...!

SPECIAL ACTIVITIES ARE BEING PLANNED FOR FRIDAY 2ND AUGUST, INCLUDING BOOK FAIR, A DRESS-UP PARADE, GRANDPARENTS' MORNING, AND MORE!
FURTHER DETAILS WILL BE SENT OUT VIA CLASS DOJO NEXT WEEK.

You're invited to our
SCHOLASTIC **Book Fair**



Find these books and more at the Fair!



Date	FRIDAY 2ND AUGUST 2024	Time	SESSION ONE: 9.45AM - 10.45AM SESSION TWO: 2.30PM - 3.45PM
Place	DROUIN SOUTH PRIMARY SCHOOL LIBRARY		

EVERY DOLLAR EQUALS RESOURCES FOR OUR SCHOOL



DRINK BOTTLES AND NAMES ON ITEMS

It is also important to have a water-bottle (non-glass) for use at school.

All items of clothing and all belongings should be clearly named. Many items are found at school each day and most are able to be returned to their owner as they are clearly named. There are many items that unfortunately end up in lost property and never find their owner again!

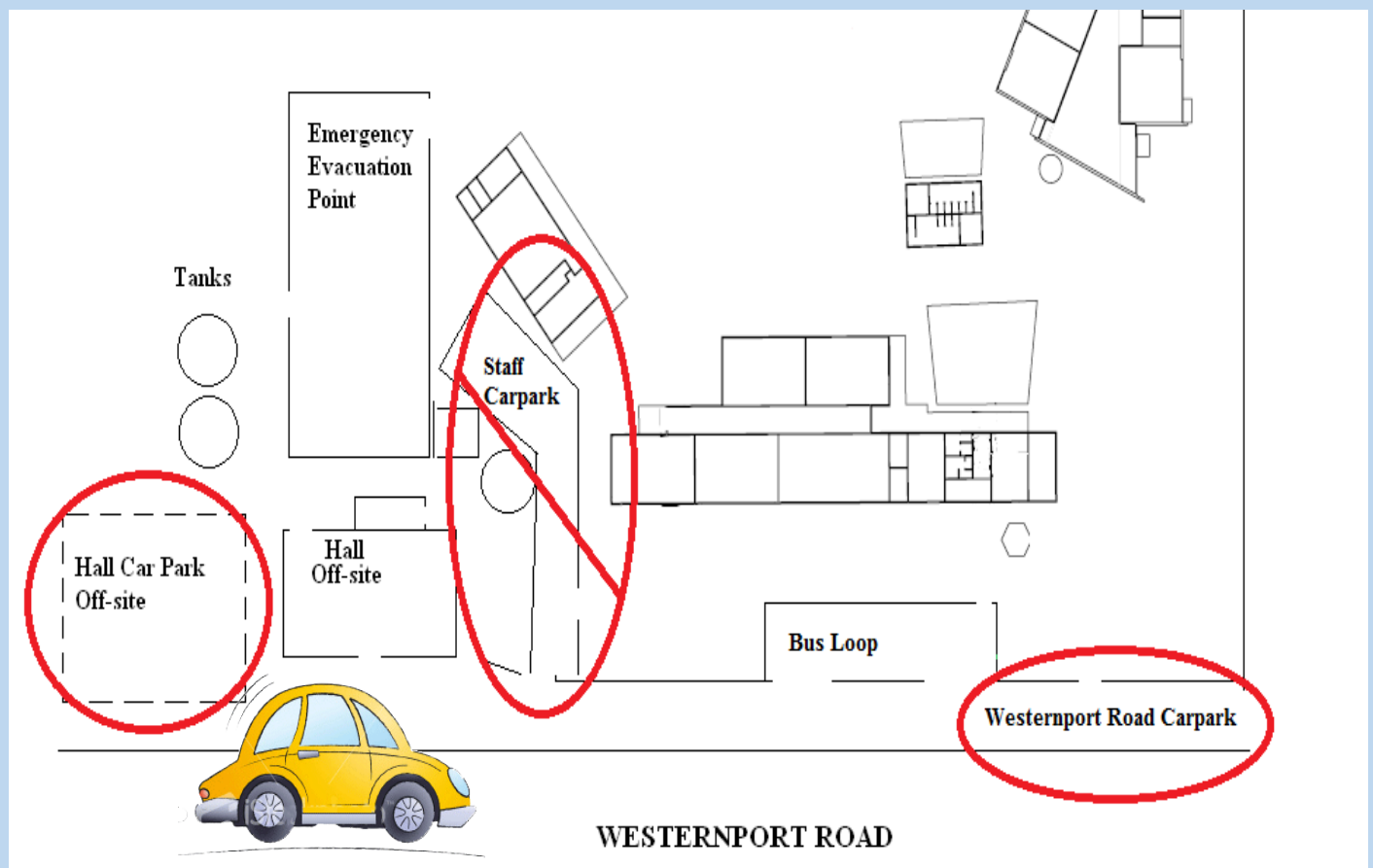


Car Parking

We understand that the school car park areas can become quite busy at the end of the school day. We ask that parents please use the marked spaces at the front of the school OR park at the Drouin South Hall. Please do not park in the bus loop, the staff car park, on the neighbour's property/driveway or across the other side of Westernport Rd. **One way of ensuring a car park space is to arrive 5 to 10 minutes *after* the bell.** There is a teacher on gate duty (front and back) until 3.30pm each day. Please see the plan below.

Back Gate (hall parking) Procedures

In the interests of safety for our children, **parents are asked to please come to the basketball court fence and collect children after school.**



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





Book Club LOOP for Parents

LOOP is the Scholastic Book Club
Linked Online Ordering & Payment platform for parents.

To order and pay for Scholastic Book Club by credit card visit:

www.scholastic.com.au/LOOP



Please consider supporting our school by purchasing from the Scholastic Book Club, as for every order placed Scholastic gives back 15% of the order total to the school to purchase valuable educational resources!

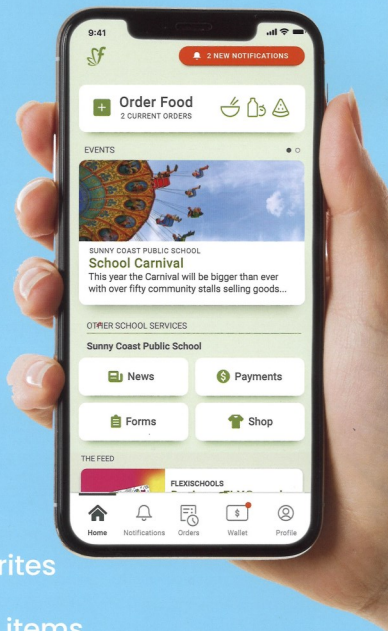
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FAMILY SCIENCE FESTIVAL

3 hours of science experiments and discovery
with guest scientist presentations!

SATURDAY 10TH AUGUST

Morning Session
9:00am - 12:00pm

Afternoon Session
12:30pm - 3:30pm

YOUTH
\$11.50

See you at
LARDNER PARK

155 Burnt Store Rd, Lardner VIC 3820

VISIT THE WEBSITE OR BOOK HERE:

<https://www.stemzone.com.au/special-events>



Get in the Zone!

FOR National Science Week 2024



This project received grant funding from the Australian Government



PLAY

join the party

Don't miss the 5-week party full of fun and footy in Term 3! There's a new party on every week to enjoy at your All Girls NAB AFL Auskick Centre!

WARRAGUL & SURROUNDS

ALL GIRLS AUSKICK

Western Park, Warragul

Mondays 5pm

Starting 12/08



play.afl/auskick



Supporting Neurodivergent Families

* **Kids**



LEGO Club

Term 3 Mondays



THIS IS A MAKE AND TAKE SESSION, SO YOUR CHILD'S LEGO CREATION CAN GO HOME WITH YOU.

Do you care for a child with autism, ADHD or other neurodiverse conditions?

Come along and connect with other local families

Bookings Essential

Place: Uniting, 37 Mason street, Warragul

Time: 4pm -5pm

Date: Each Monday term 3 starting July 22

Limited places.

RSVP: Reserve a place for your child/children and for catering purposes.

Please notify about any dietary requirements:

- Text 0407 795 661 or email: aimi.johnson@vt.uniting.org
- Carers to stay for the session.

Uniting

Supporting you while you support others



Carers Cuppa and Chat

Are you a parent or carer for someone who is autistic?
Would you like to connect with other neurodivergent families like yours?

Come along, join us for a cuppa and a chat, morning tea provided by Uniting for carers and children who attend.

This is an opportunity to share stories, knowledge and experience, to learn from and support each other.

**Wednesday July 24, August 7, 21 ,
September 4 and 18.**

- Place: Uniting, 37 Mason street, Warragul
- Time: 10.00-12.00
- RSVP: For catering purposes please text Aimi on 0407 795 661 or email: aimi.johnson@vt.uniting.org
- Children welcome.



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