



"Learning Together"



A community of active thinkers who can achieve their dreams.

Caring, Respectful, Learners

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30th August 2024

Student of the Week Congratulations to:



Emmy C-D: For being a focused and caring learner who works hard, takes on feedback and always helps others when needed. Awesome work Emmy!



Sebastian M: For demonstrating what a respectful and caring learner looks like, with your positive attitude and engagement during learning tasks. Keep up the great work!



Ivy S: For beautifully representing our school values during swimming all week and always working her hardest during our daily reviews. Well done!



Harper McC: For the incredible hard work, determination and care that you are bringing to all of your work tasks. Superstar Harper!



Blake N: For his focus and application during Maths.



Kiaree M: For always going out of your way to help those in need. We all appreciate your kindness.



Belle S: For her fantastic sentence writing, by challenging herself with always trying to up-level her work and then editing to make sure it is correct. Well done Belle!



Rhys D: For his excellent use of his sound knowledge when reading.

IMPORTANT DATES (See Class Dojo for More Dates)

Friday 6th, 13th & 19th September—DS's Got Talent—see ad on p.5

Thursday 12th September—DSPA Art Show—see ad on p.5

Wednesday 18th September—Football Clinic; Footy Colours Parade; pie lunch
—School Council—7.30pm

Thursday 19th September—Student Led Conferences—2.30 to 4.30pm

Friday 20th September—Last day of term—2.15pm finish



Student of the Week Congratulations to:



Kaity T-B: For your fabulous effort during all reading tasks and the positive growth you have shown during Fluency Pairs. You should be very proud!



Lachy J: For demonstrating fantastic determination to improve your handwriting, and for the careful efforts and pride you take in your work, your progress is truly wonderful to see! Excellent effort, Lachy!



Travis M: For always being a fantastic listener in the classroom and putting in his best effort in all subjects. Well done!



Logan O'R: For your focus and concentration during all new learning. Superstar, Logan!



Minssa A: For her consistent application to her classroom activities, and willingness to grasp new concepts.



Niesa M: For always having an input in classroom discussions and embracing challenges.

PARENTS' CLUB NOTICE

Meal Sharing Roster

An ongoing opportunity we have to support each other within the school community is via a Meal Sharing roster.



There is no judgement as to why, simply ask and let us help you!

To **submit a request** for a meal on behalf of yourself or others, simply contact Louise at the office with the following details: Your name and phone number, and the Recipient Name. (If you know of any allergies, please include them!) We will then organise a meal to be delivered to the family within the next couple of days.

We will create a data base of people willing to cook a meal for a family.

If you would like to be **involved by providing** a meal, please leave a message with Louise also, directed to Bec G (Family Support Group), with your name and contact number and we will add you to the list. Then when we receive a request we will go through the list and maybe call on you to provide a meal. They don't have to be home cooked - if that's not your thing- a bought meal is just as appreciated!

Please know we will take great pride in our role and will use compassion and confidentiality at all times.

We look forward to getting to know you and hope all our families have a positive school experience here at DSPS.

PRINCIPAL'S REPORT



Dear Families

Arriving on Time at School

Arriving at school on time and ready to learn is extremely important for all children. At Drouin South Primary School, everyday starts with a Yarning Circle. The Yarning Circle is one of the strategies we use from the Berry St Education Model and is aimed at providing all students with a safe, supportive and positive way to start the day.

If a child misses some or all of the Yarning Circle Time, they miss the opportunity to make connections, feel included within the group and to “prime” themselves for the day by learning about the expectations values and the learning that will occur.

Research shows that the first 5 minutes in the classroom are critical for setting the tone for the rest of the learning. If you wish to learn more about the importance of this strategy please have a look at the [Berry St Education Website](#).

School Savings Bonus

The Victorian Government has announced that they will be providing a one-off \$400 School Saving Bonus for every child attending a state government school.

The finer details have not yet been announced, although it is being allocated to families to support the cost of school uniforms, textbooks, and school activities like camps, excursions and sports.

The School Saving Bonus is in addition to existing and continuing means-tested supports for Camps, Sports and Excursions Fund (CSEF) and the Affordable School Uniforms Program.

The School Saving Bonus will be provided to schools and families in Term 4, 2024. Parents will be sent more detailed information when it becomes available.

Whooping Cough and Other Illnesses

There have been some awful illnesses affecting students and staff over the past number of weeks. Some have involved stomach bugs causing diarrhea and vomiting, others have been influenza type viruses and whooping cough (pertussis) is also currently affecting people within our local area.

Whilst we want children to attend school everyday, it is really important that if they are unwell that they stay home. Please see the following information for further details. [\(Infectious Diseases\)](#)

Parent Survey Reminder

The parent survey timeline has been extended from 30th August to 20th September. If you have not been able to find time to complete this survey, please try to do so by the closing date. The survey provides important feedback to our school that assists us to set goals and strategies for school improvement in the Well-Being and Learning areas.

The link will be sent again to each family via SMS. Please note, only one response per family is required. At present we have only 16 responses from 119 families.

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.



JUNIOR SCHOOL COUNCIL PRESENTS

DROUIN SOUTHS *Got Talent*



We cant wait to see the amazing talent in our school. If you would like to perform a dance, song, skit, music, poetry, jokes, magic or anything else, we need you! All acts need to be pre registered and music approved.

**WHERE: JNR END OF
THE BER BUILDING**

**WHEN: GRADE p-3 FRIDAY 6TH SEPTEMBER,
GRADE 4-6 FRIDAY 13TH SEPTEMBER
FINALS 19TH SEPTEMBER**

DSPS ART SHOW



SAVE THE DATE!

THURSDAY 12TH
SEPTEMBER
3.30-4.30 PM
6-7 PM

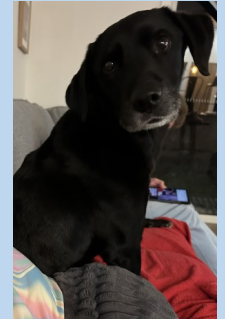
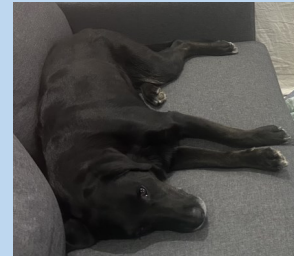
GETTING TO KNOW DSPS STAFF

Name: Hailey Roberts - Education Support

Eye colour: Blue

Family / Pets: partner (Nick), daughter (Bella) and daughter (Maddie). Dogs (Hoover and Stella)

How long have you been at DSPS? 4 months.



What does a perfect weekend look like for you?

Heading away in our caravan to different place with our family or heading out for coffee/breakfast in Garfield, then taking my girls to the park to top it off, and finish the weekend by watching a family movie.

Do you have a favourite movie?

My favourite movie would have to be all the Harry Potter movies



If you could visit anywhere in the world you've never been, where would you go?

Great question, I would love to revisit the UK and visit family again but that's not answering your question. I would love to go and visit Greece.

What's your secret talent that no one knows about?

Lawn Bowls. I used to play Saturday pennant for Trafalgar with my dad. I have not played for 8 years now, so I'm not sure the talent is still there...



What's your favourite season and why?

My favourite season would have to be summer. I love the hot weather and being able to spend my time on holiday and at the beach with my family.

What's your guilty pleasure?

Worst kept secret—I love a good chai latte



What is the best piece of advice you've ever received?

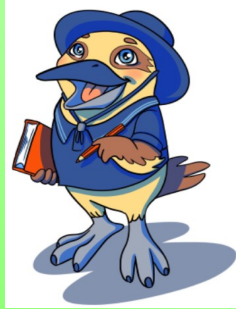
No matter how good you think you are there is always someone better...

Change of clothes

Especially with the wet weather, it is a great idea to keep a change of clothes in a plastic bag in your child's school bag. Gumboots are also a great idea.



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!

The One and Only Ivan-Katherine Applegate

Ivan is an easygoing gorilla. Living at the Exit 8 Big Top Mall and Video Arcade, he has grown accustomed to humans watching him through the glass walls of his domain. He rarely misses his life in the jungle. In fact, he hardly ever thinks about it at all.

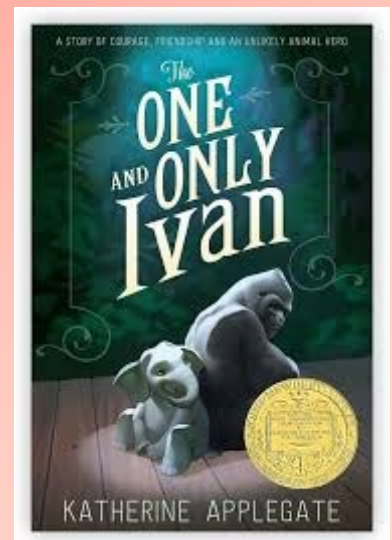
Instead, Ivan thinks about TV shows he's seen and about his friends Stella, an elderly elephant, and Bob, a stray dog. But mostly Ivan thinks about art and how to capture the taste of a mango or the sound of leaves with color and a well-placed line.

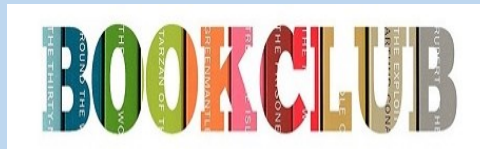
Then he meets Ruby, a baby elephant taken from her family, and she makes Ivan see their home—and his own art—through new eyes. When Ruby arrives, change comes with her, and it's up to Ivan to make it a change for the better.

Katherine Applegate blends humor and poignancy to create Ivan's unforgettable first-person narration in a story of friendship, art, and hope.

Find this and other great books in the DSPS library!

Review from *goodreads*





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Two
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program

Bookings
close
9 September
2024

Program
Hours:
7.30am to
6.30pm

Spring 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 23 September

Spring has sprung!

Celebrate the start of the holidays by enjoying a combination of crafts and outdoor games.



Tuesday 24 September

Join our Games Day!

Burn off your energy and have fun at the same time. Play old fashioned games such as egg and spoon races, sack races, three legged races and more.



Wednesday 25 September

Test your skills with Giant Games:

Connect4, Mega Guess Who, dominoes, Jenga and noughts & crosses.
Incursion from 10am



Thursday 26 September

Footy Finals Frenzy!

Let's celebrate the Grand Final! Come dressed in your footy gear and enjoy a day of footy themed activities. Enjoy a sausage sizzle for lunch.



Friday 27 September

Public holiday:

There is no program today.



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www.windermere.org.au



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saverplus.org.au 1300 610 355



DROUIN TENNIS CLUB

Drouin Tennis Club is situated on Bennet Street, within the township of Drouin. We have 6 synthetic grass courts and 2 plexi pave courts all with LED lights.

We aim to create a safe and inclusive environment and promote positive health and wellbeing.

Drouin Tennis Club welcomes all new members to the club.



UP COMING IMPORTANT DATES

School Holiday Clinics

23rd - 26th September 9:00am - 10:30
Drouin Tennis Club

23rd - 26th September 11:00am - 12:30
St Pauls, Warragul

Junior Spring Tournament

4th October Drouin Tennis Club

Contact: Jamie Dunn 0449 257 569
gippslandtenniscoaching@outlook.com.au

Private Sessions Group Sessions Squad

Contact:
Mark Stevens
mstennis@dcsi.net.au

0417 140 763



PLAY FOR YOUR LOCAL CLUB

REGISTRATIONS OPEN:

- Junior Competitions
- Saturday afternoon seniors
- Night Tennis
- Midweek
- Pennant- Seniors
- Social

Further Information

Brodie Wyatt- Club President 0423 729 987
Sarah Kortman - Club Secretary 0466 233 152
Email. drouintc@gmail.com



OPEN DAY

31 BENNET STREET DROUIN

Thursday 29th August
4:00 PM - 7:00PM

Tuesday 3rd September
4:00 PM - 7:00 PM



We're in town

See you soon, Warragul
11 to 27 September

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 11 to 27
September. Don't forget to pre-
book your spot at
lifeblood.com.au, on our app or
on 13 14 95.



Warragul

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