



“Learning Together”



A community of active thinkers who can achieve their dreams.

Caring, Respectful, Learners

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Student of the Week Congratulations to:



Tilly W: For achieving her listening goal to help her focus during all lessons.



Gemma R: For thinking about the story when she reads to assist her in solving unknown words. Well done, Gemma.



Aylah W: For being a caring, respectful learner.



Jade H: For always striving to stretch her learning whilst also encouraging and supporting others. An absolute star, Jade!



Lincoln S: For consistently demonstrating the qualities of an active learner.



Connor S: For being a great learner and demonstrating neat and organised book work.



Art: Awarded to **Hunter W** for his excellent use of skill and design shown in his paper sculpture, that is now on display in the corridor.



OSHC: Awarded to **Caitlin M** for encouraging and teaching her fellow peers how to be fair and share at OSHC.



IMPORTANT DATES

Monday 27th July 7pm-8pm—Prep Information Evening via Web-Ex

Thursday 30th July Book Club orders due

Friday 14th August **STUDENT FREE DAY**

Principal's Report



Dear Parents and Carers

Pupil Free / Curriculum Day

A school curriculum day (Pupil Free Day) will be held on **Friday 14th August**. Teachers will be using this day to develop professional knowledge in collection and analysis of assessment data and to develop essential learning knowledge in Mathematics. The Drouin Secondary College also have a curriculum day planned for this day.

Prep Information Session

Our Prep Information session will be held next **Monday 27th July at 7.00pm via a WEB-EX link**. The link will be published on our website and Facebook page prior to the session. Parents and individuals who have already made a booking will be emailed the link prior to the meeting. If you know of any parents that may wish to join the session, please make them aware of this information.

2021 Prep Enrolments

We are currently accepting enrolments for 2021 Prep Students. Enrolment packs are available through the school office. We would like to ensure we have current email addresses for all families of Prep students for next year so we are able to contact families. Please let us know.

Parent Access to School

We thank parents for being very understanding when it comes to not having parents on site over the past few months. This is not the inclusive, community culture we promote at Drouin South PS under normal circumstances and we do appreciate how challenging this can be. We continue to ask that all parents please ring the front office and we will ask you to enter if needed or will deliver items (even children) to the gate if required.

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.

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. Recently, some children have been leaving the school and having to cross the car-park between parked cars without an adult. The teacher on duty will be asked to make visual contact with parents before students are dismissed from the basketball courts.

Student Representative Council

Congratulations to our Student Representative Council (SRC) members who were presented with their SRC badges at last week's assembly. The following students received their badges during the Web-Ex assembly. Jackson Peacock, Jade Harris, Liv Watson, Nicola Fort, Tate Mammarella, Abbey Wilson, Lachie Harris, Lucy Vivash, Shanay Parnes, Hendrix Patterson, Blake Byrne and Tyla Beauchamp.

Reminder—Sick Students

Children who are unwell must not come to school. It is important that any child who is unwell remains home until they feel better. Students who have any cold or flu like symptoms at school will be sent home. If you, your child, or a family member develops symptoms of a fever, chills or sweats, cough, sore throat, shortness of breath, runny nose, loss of smell or taste, you should get tested at a coronavirus (COVID-19) testing facility and stay home until test results are returned and symptoms have gone.

Michael Smith (Principal) - "Learning Together"



Book Club Orders for Issue 5 are due back by
9am Thursday 30th July

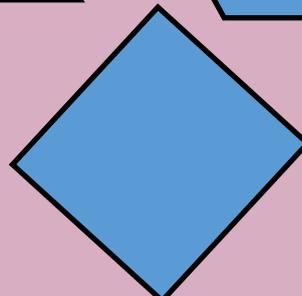
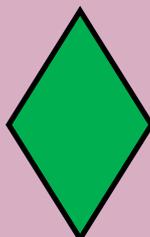
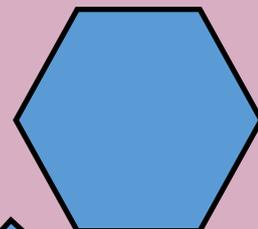
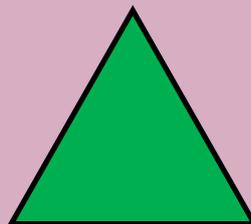
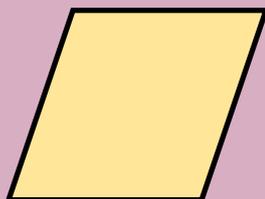
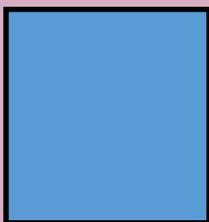
Please consider supporting our school by purchasing from the Scholastic Book Club, as for every order placed Scholastic gives back 20% of the order total to the school to purchase valuable educational resources!

If any orders are **gifts** please be sure to notify us so we can send them to the office for collection. Please return the bags to the office to be reused. Thanks.

Open Ended Maths

Not all Mathematics questions have only 1 correct answer! *Thinking like a mathematician* often involves looking at the different ways a problem can be solved. It is really important that you can explain your answer. Here is an activity all the family can try at home.

How would you sort (classify) these shapes? Explain your thinking.





GETTING TO KNOW DSPS STAFF



Name: Anna Nauta Grade 3/4

Eye colour: Blue

Family / Pets: Two beautiful daughters – Sian (16 years) & Lucy (11 years); One adorable pooch – Charlie (8 years); one cat – Luna (3years) and two new mice, Blossom and Hazel, one who came to us pregnant (yikes!) so we also have seven wee pinkies!

How long have you been at DSPS? 6 ½ years

What does a perfect weekend look like for you? Sunny days at the beach or rugged up on cold days in the hills; friends and family; live music and good food; and a book – bliss!

What's a great book you've read recently?



Mirka Mora – (*Wicked but Virtuous*). Mirka is one of my favourite artists so it was great to read her biography.

My absolute favourite book that I read every few years is the *Mists of Avalon* by Marion Bradley – it's the medieval Arthurian saga written from the female perspectives by the Avalon priestesses, and tells the tale of their influence on the events at that time– I relish it every time I read it!

Do you have a favourite movie? Some of my faves....

The Dark Crystal, because Gelfings + Skeksis + Jim Henson = amazing! I think this was the first movie I ever saw at a cinema and it ignited a love of fantasy!

Angel Baby – This is an old Australian movie that is the most hauntingly beautiful tale of the transcendent nature of love. It will always remain a firm favourite.

If you could visit anywhere in the world you've never been, where would you go? Probably Morocco first off – the mix of cultures, Marrakesh's Medina, the history in Fez, Casablanca, desert villages, exotic food...



What's your secret talent that no one knows about? I used to be part of a fire dancing group – I love my pois and spent some time during ISO rekindling (ha, pun!) my love of it.

What's your favourite season and why? SUMMER! Bare feet; dazzling sunshine; hot sand; cool saltwater; blissful, lazy days!



What's your guilty pleasure? Everyone knows my love of chocolate – as long as it's not mint!

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

It's better to be absolutely ridiculous than absolutely boring!

A Marilyn Munroe quote (I can't guarantee the authenticity!)

Be **interesting**, be **unique** and be **proud** of your true self – and have **FUN!**



GRADE 3/4

Grade 3/4 have returned to school with wonderful energy and curious minds, ready to embark on some great new units this term!



Weaving reading and writing, we have been studying the biographies of some incredible people from the present and the past—all who have left a legacy to be in awe of!



Throughout all of the learning, we have had a focus on working in a variety of teams to ensure coaching, learning, and friendship opportunities are celebrated!



Talking together



Researching and drafting together



Playing together

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Being a parent is the most important and challenging job in today's changing world.

Parentzone promotes the independence and healthy development of families with children aged 0-18 years through the provision of support, information, education, advice and resources to parents/carers.



WHO DO WE SUPPORT?

Parentzone Gippsland runs programs for all parents/caregivers including:

- Mothers and fathers
- New parents
- Expectant parents
- Single parents
- Teen parents
- Parents in blended and step families
- Grandparents and kinship carers raising children
- Indigenous parents
- Isolated parents
- Parents with multicultural background
- Parents of children with special needs
- Parents who are ordered to undertake parenting education
- Fathers in prison
- Foster Care givers
- Friends and relatives



For one on one parenting support, resources and information please call Parentzone Gippsland on 03 5135 9555 or email parentzone.gippsland@anglicarevic.org.au This service is Monday – Friday 9am - 5pm but is not always manned. Messages are normally returned within 1 business day.

All parents can benefit from parent education and skills development, which can reinforce and expand on what you already know about parenting.