



"Learning Together"



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Student of the Week Congratulations to:



Abbey W: For her outstanding effort in maths tasks during Remote Learning. Keep up the great work!



Ollie S: For his persistence when working on his writing goal.



Emily W: For showing a fantastic amount of effort with your inferring in our reader's workshop and working well to support and help others in the classroom. Well done, Emily!



Jackson P: For approaching remote learning with optimism and perseverance. Superstar Jacko!



Olivia W: For being a resourceful, independent and organised learner. Well done Olivia, keep up the great work!!



Campbell H: For being such an organised, practical and independent learner this week. Awesome work Campbell!!!



Taj G: For showing great resilience during remote learning, working independently, and asking questions. You are a great learner.



Art: Awarded to **Ava C** for her detailed and imaginative representation of the night and day sky using collage paper.



OSHC: Awarded to **Mia M** for always being a positive role model when she arrives at Before School Care of a morning. We're very proud of you, Mia!



ON-SITE SUPERVISION: Awarded to **Casey P** for consistently working independently and to a high standard during onsite learning. Well done Casey!

PRINCIPAL'S REPORT



Dear Parents and Carers

End of Term 3

Term 3 has definitely been another challenging term for all schools. I am proud of the way our students, staff and parents have worked together throughout this term and have been able to switch from on-site to remote learning with very little notice.

I know all of our staff would much rather being working each day face to face with students than working remotely.

I have heard many great reports about the efforts of our students and parents during remote learning and it has been terrific to occasionally pop into a web-ex meeting to see our students online.

We all hope that Term 4 will see us commencing on-site, however, we will need to wait and listen for premier Andrews to announce the arrangements that will be in place from the 4th October.

Vaccinations for Children 12 and Over

As part of the COVID-19 vaccination roll-out, from Monday 13 September, all Victorians aged 12 and older are [eligible to book and receive a COVID-19 vaccine](#) at a state vaccination centre, a Commonwealth vaccination centre, or through a GP clinic, pharmacy or community health service.

Vaccination bookings for students should be made by following the instructions under the heading 'How to book an appointment' below.

Vaccination is not mandatory but is strongly encouraged. Getting vaccinated is the best way to protect our school community from further outbreaks and the spread of COVID-19.

The Victorian Government's aim is to provide an opportunity for all children aged 12 years and older to receive at least one vaccine dose by the end of the school year.

How to book an appointment

Bookings for a Pfizer COVID-19 vaccine can be made for children aged 12 years and older via state vaccination centres, Commonwealth vaccination centres, GP clinics, pharmacies and community health services.

Find a participating Commonwealth vaccination centre, GP, pharmacy or community health

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service through the [Australian Government Eligibility Checker](#). You can book your appointment online or by calling the vaccine provider nearest to you.

SunSmart—Wide Brimmed Hats are Compulsory

Prep to Year 2 and students attending the on-site supervision program are now required to wear hats whilst outdoors or will be asked to play in the shade. This is part of our requirement for being a SunSmart School and comes under our school value of **CARING**—that is, caring for ourselves. Please ensure hats are clearly labelled with your child's name.



Farewell

I wish to say a big thank you and a farewell to 2 long-standing members of our school community.

Ms Julie Witchell has been a regular relief teacher here at the school for many years. Julie has informed me recently that she will be retiring from teaching. Thank you Julie for all the time, care and energy you have given to our students and our school community. We wish you well for the future.

Gill Mynard has been our school neighbour and bus driver for approximately the last 12 years. He knows many of our students and has been a fantastic neighbour, often looking after the school and advising me of when issues have occurred after hours. Best wishes to Gill and his family for his move to East Gippsland.

Michael Smith—Principal

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We have some fantastic artists at Drouin South Primary School!!

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Remote Learning



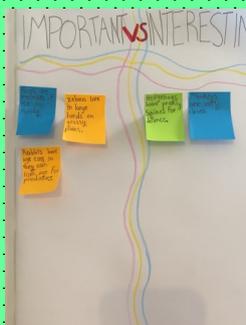
Throughout the challenge of remote learning, Grade 3 / 4 have shown they are absolute **champions** in many, many different ways.

We have learnt new ways to use our **technology**, challenged ourselves to **upskill** and **experiment**, and maintained our **learning focus**.

We supported each other through technology bloopers, tough days, birthdays and everything else that was in our path!

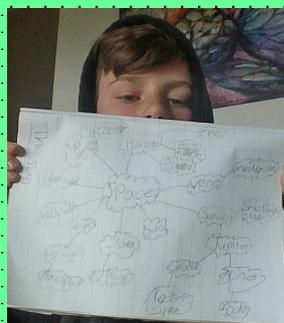
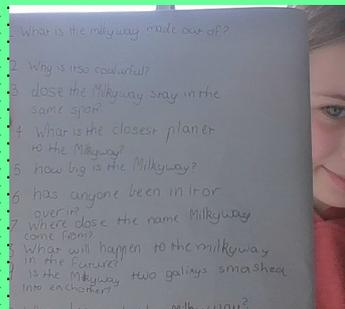
Reading!

Writing!



Students brainstormed Space topics, developed research questions and gathered information for their current report writing. Their drafts are already sounding 'out of this world!'

Using think marks to sort interesting and important details to help identify the main idea in non-fiction texts!



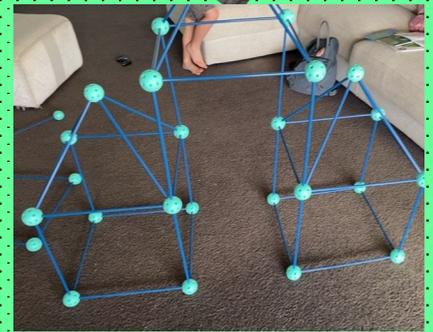
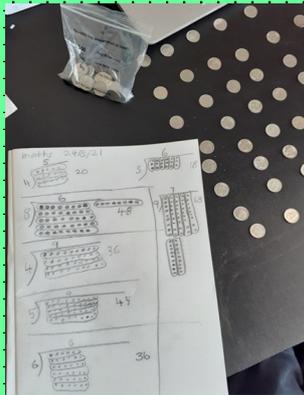
Moons
Moons come in all different shapes and sizes. Although moons are different sizes they all have to be smaller than the planet they orbit. It doesn't matter how far away the moon is, it just has to orbit around the planet. This means the moon doesn't have to be in its planets atmosphere, but it can. It only matters if a moon rotates around a planet



Grade 3 / 4 Maths!



Grade 3 / 4 know how to keep the maths learning real, improvise to create concrete materials, and make sure they are loving their learning!



Food Art

Caitlin, Tilly and Em took up the challenge of creating an artistic and EDIBLE Art Masterpiece— Yummmmmmo!

