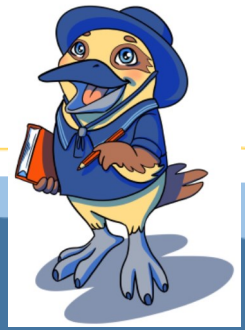




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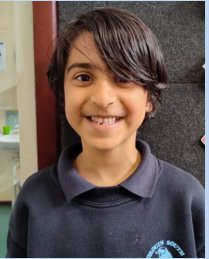
Week 8

24th March 2023

## *Student of the Week* Congratulations to:



**Rhys D:** For being caring and helpful towards other students in the class. Well Done Rhys.



**Lachy J:** For his fantastic effort sounding out in his reading and being a respectful listener at instruction time. Well done!

**Muhammad A:** For his caring attitude toward friends and his hard work during maths conferences. Well done Muhammad.



**Levi S:** For facing learning challenges with persistence and a positive attitude! Keep up the great work Levi!

**Emily W:** For achieving both of her writing goals and always showing excellent learning behaviours. Superstar Em!

**Emilija O:** For being an organised learner who always takes pride in the work you complete. Keep up the outstanding effort!



**Ethan M:** For showing great determination when working on your writing this week. Superstar Ethan!

### IMPORTANT DATES

Wednesday 15th—Monday 27th March—NAPLAN test window (see p.4)

Friday 24th—Sunday 26th March—Farm World

Tuesday 28th March—District Athletics

Wednesday 29th March—Easter donations and raffle books due

Thursday 30th March—District Athletics back-up day

**Wednesday 5th April—last day of term—3.15pm finish**

Thursday 6th April—Curriculum day—no students at school

Friday 7th April—Good Friday—PUBLIC HOLIDAY



# PRINCIPAL'S REPORT



## Dear Parents and Carers

### DISTRICT ATHLETICS

Best of luck to our 46 students who will be attending the Tarago District Athletics day at Geoff Watt Track next Tuesday. We know that everyone will have a red hot go at their events and will be proud representatives of our school.

### FARM WORLD DELIVERY SERVICE HERE WE COME

We wish all of our farm World volunteers and delivery service team a smooth and enjoyable 3 days. Reports are that business has been steady today and will no doubt get very busy throughout the weekend. I am very much looking forward to joining the team on Sunday as I always enjoy the opportunity to work together on a common goal.

### HARMONY DAY

Today we have celebrate Harmony Week with a rotation of activities designed to build collaboration, cultural awareness and inclusivity. The students have all been able to experience different activities, craft, dance, songs and stories with a the theme that everyone is included. Thank you to our teachers for planning such a great variety of experiences for the day and to Mrs Phillips and the Student Representative Council for their organisation.

### DROUIN SECONDARY COLLEGE YEAR 6-7 INFORMATION DAY/EVENING

Students considering Year 7 at Drouin Secondary College in 2024, have the opportunity to visit the college on Thursday 4th May for the Grade 6 Information Day Program. The day will include a range of opportunities for students to meet staff, engage in a variety of activities and have a general look around the school. A parent information session will take place from 6.30pm to 8.pm in the College Auditorium.

Further information will be sent

home with Year 6 students. This is a great opportunity to experience DSC even if you don't think your child will be attending there in 2024.

## YEAR 7 2024

### INFORMATION EVENING FOR PARENTS & GRADE 5/6 STUDENTS

Thursday 4th May at 6.30pm in the Auditorium



Tour the College in small groups to see classrooms, facilities & presentations about our learning programs. Speak with teachers, students & other parents.

#### YEAR 7 ACCELERATED PATHWAYS PROGRAM (7APP)

Grade 6 students with academic aptitude and a passion for learning are invited to apply!

[www.drouin.vic.edu.au](http://www.drouin.vic.edu.au)  @drouinvc



*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.**

## A message from our Chaplain.....

Hi everyone.

This week's Victorian era guide to bringing up a child hot tip is:

"Give your children definite rules of what is right and wrong."

So my question is... what if your wrong is someone else's right?

Who draws the line?

These are good questions to think about.

Don't forget I'm available to chat on Thursdays and Fridays. Contact the office to confirm a time.

Hayno

Chaplain DSPS



## Medication

When sending medication to school, please remember that it must be left at the office in its original packaging, and relevant medication forms completed to ensure the appropriate dosage is administered at the correct time.

Please do not give any medication to students to keep in their bag.



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## Easter Raffle



Dear families,

The DSPS parent's club is running an Easter Raffle and **we need your help!**

We are asking for all families to donate anything with an Easter theme, including chocolate eggs/bunnies, soft toys, easter craft, baskets etc. Please put all donations in the basket in the office.

The items collected will be put into hampers to be raffled off.

Each family will be given a raffle book to sell and there are more available upon request. Please make sure you write a name and phone number on each ticket. Tickets will be \$1.00 each. No change will be given from the school, so please ensure correct monies are handed in.

All donations and raffle books need to be brought into the school by **Wednesday 29<sup>th</sup> March**.

The raffle will be drawn on **FRIDAY 31<sup>st</sup> March** and prizes will be at the school for collection before the end of term on Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> April.

Your contribution is greatly appreciated! Thanks, Parent Club

# NAPLAN

## National Assessment Program - Literacy and Numeracy Information for parents and carers

- All students in Years 3, 5, 7 and 9 in Australia do NAPLAN tests in March each year.
- NAPLAN tests students' skills in reading, writing and maths.
- The test questions are presented in Standard Australian English dialect.
- Students read some of the questions and listen to others with headphones.
- The tests will get easier or harder, depending on how students are going in the test.
- Students do four different tests. The names of the four tests are:



**Writing**



**Reading**



**Conventions of language**  
(spelling, grammar and punctuation)



**Numeracy**

- Students in Year 3 will do the Writing test using pencil and paper. Year 3 students will answer the other test questions on the computer.
- Students in Years 5, 7 and 9 will answer all their test questions on computers.
- Teachers will help students get ready for NAPLAN tests.
- Schools will get their students' results. The school will then give parents/carers a report showing their own child's results.
- Parents/carers can talk to the teacher about these results.
- NAPLAN shows how students are going all over Australia. People who work in the Australian Government, state and territory education authorities and schools use NAPLAN results. The results let them see which schools are doing well and which schools might need help.

**Talk to your teacher if you have any questions about your child doing the tests.**

**For more information on NAPLAN, visit [nap.edu.au](http://nap.edu.au).**

# Classroom News from 5/6A



## End of Term Auction

In 5/6A we have been busy writing letters asking for donations for our end of term auction.

Students will be able to bid for items using the Kookies they earned throughout the term. We are **extremely** grateful for the generosity of families and local businesses to make this auction possible!



Claire Robinson



# Thankyou for your donations!

Peacock Family



# TOYWORLD

where the best toys come from

★ Warragul



# NEED2READ



# PENINSULA CINEMAS



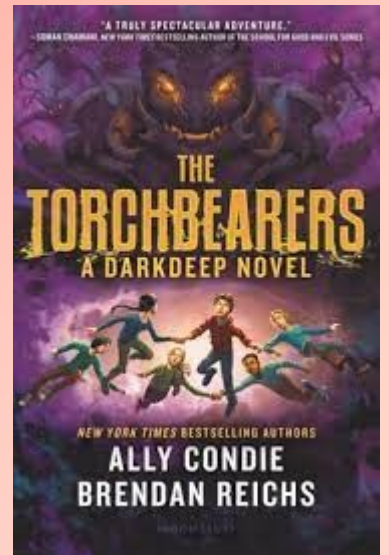
# New in the Library!

## *The Torchbearers* by Ally Condie & Brendan Reichs

The blockbuster middle-grade series by *New York Times* bestselling authors Ally Condie and Brendan Reichs continues in this edge-of-your-seat adventure that's *Stranger Things* meets *The Goonies*.

After the events of Dark Halloween, the town of Timbers is in a full-blown monster panic, making life for the Torchbearers – Opal, Nico, Tyler, Emma, and Logan – extremely difficult. Nico is investigating the Rift and the strange natural phenomena that continue to occur, all while worrying about his dad's potential work transfer. Opal has her hands full researching the founding Torchbearer, Yvette Dumont, and deciphering clues from another realm sent by the mysterious Thing In a Jar. Emma's wildly popular YouTube show has brought her new-found fame, but also earned her some enemies. Logan is trying to unlock secrets in his own family history that might shed light on how the Torchbearer Order began, while Tyler, as the self-proclaimed Beastmaster, strives to commune with – and not be eaten by – the mercurial and deadly alien sea creature living in Still Cove.

But that's not all. Something cryptic has surfaced from within the Darkdeep. Questions arise, and the five friends find themselves suddenly at odds. The stakes climb even higher when an enigmatic new girl comes to town, with an agenda of her own. As the Torchbearers discover shocking secrets about their houseboat hangout, the Rift, and the Darkdeep itself, signs point to new realms beyond the ones they know, putting their friendships to the test as never before...



*Find this and other great books in the DSPS library!*

## MUSIC LESSONS AT DROUIN SOUTH PRIMARY SCHOOL

Piano, guitar, flute, clarinet, saxophone, and violin lessons are available at DSPS! There are group lessons or private lessons available. Group lessons are \$10 a week. Private lessons of 20min are \$19, and 30min are \$28 per week. Please call Sarah Considine if interested on Mob:0427885306



# Super Easy and Healthy ideas for lunch boxes at Easter:

Try some healthy Easter snacks for your kid's lunch boxes and leave the chocolate at home. Baby carrots in a pot of hommus or dip is super cute. Cut up boiled eggs and decorate with whiskers and your child's favourite vegies for ears. You could use capsicum, carrot or even snow peas. Make a batch of museli cookies and form into egg shapes – serve to your kids in an egg carton. [Muesli cookies recipe](#) Decorate crackers with cheese and carrot to look like little chicks are an easy no bake option.

These are great recipes to make with your children during the school holidays too.



[Super foods Easter egg recipes](#)



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Easter can be a challenging time for parents. There's so many chocolate and sweets around, packed with unhealthy food dyes, additives and LOADS of sugar. Bright, cheerful and easily made with your kids using natural superfoods, these Easter eggs are a great, healthy alternative.