



# “Learning Together”



A community of active thinkers who can achieve their dreams.

Caring, Respectful, Learners

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Week 15

26th May 2023

## Student of the Week Congratulations to:



**Hudson G:** For doing a fantastic job with his Reading and Writing. Well Done Hudson



**Lola D:** For her fantastic use of punctuation in her writing and being a role model for others in the classroom. Well done!



**Asha S:** For his amazing effort and independence in maths and his creativity with writing this week. Well done Asha!



**Chelsea L:** For being a great learner by working on your compound sentences.



**Matilda O:** For demonstrating a wonderful growth mindset when learning new maths strategies. Tizza, you're a SUPERSTAR!



**Will M:** For your effort to improve your writing through conferences, word choice and careful crafting. Keep up the

## Donations needed for Science!

Throughout this term for Science we will be using bottle lids, cereal boxes, cardboard scraps, plastic bottles (eg. water, milk, juice, etc), and egg cartons. If you are able to send some of these items in with your stu-

### IMPORTANT DATES

Wednesday 31st May—Winter Sports (back up day is Wednesday 7th June)

Saturday 3rd June—Parents Club social night

Monday 12th June—King’s Birthday—PUBLIC HOLIDAY



## **IMPORTANT DATES continued**

Wednesday 14th June—Prep information session—7 to 8pm in Junior Learning area

Friday 16th June—pie drive delivery & pick up

Monday 19th June—curriculum day—no students at school

Wednesday 21st June—open morning—9.30-10.30am

Friday 23rd June—last day of term—2.15pm finish; PM country buses 1hr earlier

Monday 10th July—Pupil Free Day (Professional Practice Day)

Tuesday 11th July—First day of Term 3 for students

## **PRINCIPAL'S REPORT**



**Dear Parents and Carers**

### **Curriculum and PPDs**

All schools have a number of days throughout the year that we designate as pupil free days. These days include Curriculum Days (4) and Professional Practice Days (2). These days are used for important purposes such as whole staff professional learning and whole school planning. At Drouin South we try where possible to select days that are least impactful for families but also need to often align days when presenters and facilitators are available. We have two days coming up that will be designated as pupil free days. These are as follows:

Monday 19th June—Whole Staff Learning—[Berry St Education Model](#).

Monday 10th July—[Cultural Understandings and Safety Training](#).

We understand that parents may need to arrange for supervision of children on these days so please make note of those two dates. We will keep families informed of our staff learning from these events through this newsletter.

### **Cross Country Success**

Well done to all the students who ran in the Division Cross Country on Tuesday. All competitors did well and some of our students achieved amazing success! For full results, please see Mr Moore's report on the next page.

### **Important Dates: Sorry Day and Reconciliation Week**

National Sorry Day is on this Friday 26 May 2023, and will be followed by National Reconciliation Week, from Saturday 27 May.

The theme for National Reconciliation Week 2023 is 'Be a voice for generations'. It encourages all Australians to be a voice for reconciliation in tangible ways in our everyday lives – where we live, work and socialise.

*Michael Smith— Principal*

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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.



## Division Cross Country—Tuesday May 23rd

On Tuesday, 20 students from Drouin South Primary School attended the Division Cross Country at Chairo Christian College. All of our students completed the set distance (2km for 9/10-year old's, 3kms for 11- and 12/13-year old's) and should be proud of their efforts. A special mention to the Board girls (Ashlyn, Lara and Shanae) and Caitlin Mugeridge who all finished in the top 10, which means they have qualified for the Regional Cross Country (Thursday, June 1). Ashlyn actually won her event by a few hundred metres!! Thanks again to our wonderful Drouin South support crew. Below I have included all of the results of our students.

<b>9/10 Boys</b>  Jackson Light- 59 <sup>th</sup> Olivier Duncan-66 <sup>th</sup> Kobie Rode- 72 <sup>nd</sup> Logan O'Rourke- 84 <sup>th</sup>	<b>9/10 Girls</b>  Lara Board- 8 <sup>th</sup> Shanae Board-9 <sup>th</sup> Emily Wilson-12 <sup>th</sup> Lilly Rode- 49 <sup>th</sup>
<b>11 Boys</b>  Nate Oliver- 55 <sup>th</sup> Hudson Shanks- 57 <sup>th</sup> Ashden Allcock- 58 <sup>th</sup> Mark Godman-71 <sup>st</sup>	<b>11 Girls</b>  Ashlyn Board- 1 <sup>st</sup> Caitlin Mugeridge- 7 <sup>th</sup> Emma Timewell- 16 <sup>th</sup> Olivia Watson- 31 <sup>st</sup> .
<b>12/13 Girls- N/A</b>	<b>12/13 Boys</b>  Oscar Shaw- 33 <sup>rd</sup> Ryely McCracken- 39 <sup>th</sup> Oscar Patterson- 54 <sup>th</sup> Jack Robin-55 <sup>th</sup>



*Denby Moore—PE Teacher*



# DROUIN SOUTH PRIMARY SCHOOL

## Open Classroom Tour

21/6/2023 9.30am - 10.30am

2024 Prep Information Night

14/6/2023 7pm - 8 pm



*(Call 5627 6286 or email [drouin.south.ps@education.vic.gov.au](mailto:drouin.south.ps@education.vic.gov.au) to reserve a place )*



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# Mother's Day 2023 Fundraiser!

DSPS Parents' Club would like to thank In2Frames Warragul for their generous donation towards our Mother's Day stall. We are thrilled to announce the fundraiser was a huge success totalling \$578.96, which will contribute to the upgrade of our schools outdoor playground equipment.



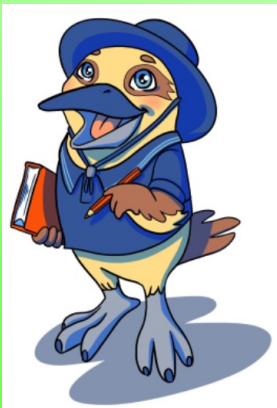
## The Kookie Shop needs you!

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 the office.

Items such as books, toys, games, stationary etc. would be happily received.

**Thank you for supporting The Kookie Shop!**



## DROUIN SOUTH PRIMARY SCHOOL

**NEW UNIFORM AVAILABLE FROM BEGINNING OF TERM 2**

**SOFT SHELL  
SPRAY JACKET**  
[BJK367IDS]



**SIZES 4 - 16**  
**RRP \$71.00**

**ACRYLIC BEANIE**  
[BEANIEDS]



**RRP \$14.00**

**WATER RESISTANT  
SPRAY JACKET**  
[BJK738IDS]



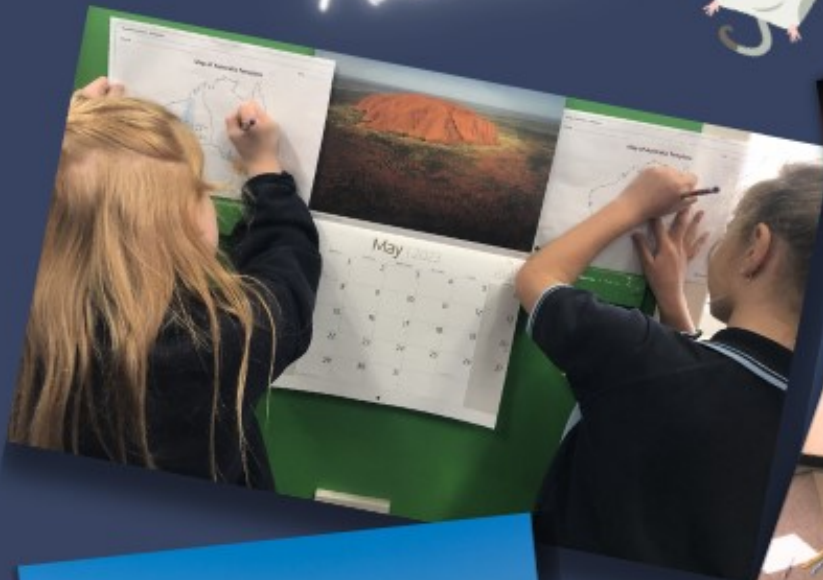
**SIZES 4 - 16**  
**RRP \$54.00**

Beleza Warragul  
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# Grade 2/3A Integrated Unit. Australia.



*In 2/3A we have started a unit study on Australia. We are looking at the history, geography, first maps, stories, songs and songlines of Australia. We have been recognising natural and manmade features and are starting to identify where they are in our country. We are also using this topic across our reading and writing subjects, to help us learn new vocabulary and connect knowledge and ideas about our country.*



*I loved learning about the reefs, but I really want to learn about jellyfish! Ali*

*Australia covers a whole continent. Harper*



*I love Australia. Lachie*

*How was Australia found? Shanae*

*I liked doing things about Australia and the reefs. Abbey*



*I want to learn more about Uluru. Jackson*

*Australia is a happy place. Tilly*



*I love drawing my own map. Oliver D.*



# New in the Library!

## *Sky Dragon—Fly Free by Anh Do*

Amber has escaped the government agents that are pursuing her. Her mind is full of another teenager she has seen with his own strange powers.

Called The Fireman, he has the ability to control fire from one hand and water from another. There's something familiar about The Fireman to Amber. He has scars similar to her brother's, but Reggie is dead. Isn't he?

Reggie is worried about things that have been happening around him. He believed the organisation he is working for is there to help people, but lately he has seen things he doesn't agree with. He soon finds he has to do the unthinkable and work against them to save innocent lives. He's aware of the strange girl called The *Skydragon*, but doesn't know much about her except that she's dangerous and has evaded capture so far.

When he wakes up high above the ground supported only by flying insects, he's confused, then angry, at what she's done. Fighting back is his instant reaction, but he quickly finds himself plummeting to the ground....

The government want *Skydragon*. They want The Fireman back. They will do just about anything to get them. *Skydragon's* insect allies help her break into shops for food, allow her to fly by carrying her in their thousands and attack her enemies by crawling into suits and armour. But her time and luck are running out.

Agent Ferris is the head of her enemies. He will have to think ahead to defeat *Skydragon's* defences and use his technology to track down The Fireman. What is waiting for him?

*Anh Do is well loved and well known for his funny books for younger readers. This series is perfect for reluctant tween readers (8+) as the characters are older, the pages are full of action and illustration, and the plots are more substantial.*

*Super powers are always a popular subject and a thread of a possible family link between the characters is an intriguing one. Is Skydragon right? Will The*

*Fireman believe her? This question leads the reader forward to the next in the series.*

Review from

[whatbooknext.com](http://whatbooknext.com)

*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

