



"Learning Together"



A community of active thinkers who can achieve their dreams.

Caring, Respectful, Learners

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Term 2

Week 18

16th June 2023

Student of the Week Congratulations to:



Iylah B: For being a caring and kind person towards others in the class. Well Done.



Nate V: For making fantastic development and becoming more independent during writing and showing better listening skills on the mat. Well done!



Ali M: For her positive attitude toward learning and challenging tasks, especially during maths. Keep up the good work Ali!



Tommy S: For being a great learner and using feedback to improve during reading and writing.



Caleb R: For his fantastic focus and determination. Superstar Caleb!



Belle S: For using your knowledge of sustainability to include 'wisdom words' in your writing.



Olivia W: For your brilliant story about the Black Saturday bushfires! You have excelled in using figurative language and topic-specific vocab. Well done, Liv!

IMPORTANT DATES

Monday 19th June—**CURRICULUM DAY**—no students at school (BERRY St Training –staff)

Wednesday 21st June—open classroom tour—9.30-10.30am

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

Monday 10th July—**PUPIL FREE DAY** (Professional Practice Day) - Staff Koorie Cultural Understanding Training

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

Monday 31st July—Friday 4th August—Book Fair

Friday 18th August—pie drive

Tuesday 22nd August—DSC Grade 6 Parent Enrolment Information Evening



PRINCIPAL'S REPORT



Dear Parents and Carers

2024 PREP OPEN CLASSROOM MORNING

On Wednesday evening our 2024 Prep Information session was very well attended. Current and prospective were provided with an overview of information about the school to assist in preparing themselves and their children for school next year.



Next Wednesday morning will be an “open classroom” morning for 2024 prep parents and also an opportunity for the children to have a look at the Prep classroom in action.

In term 3 we will begin holding our transition sessions. This program provides an opportunity children to start to become a part of the school by having them attend a number of short sessions in the Prep classroom.

CURRICULUM DAY MONDAY 19th JUNE—BERRY ST TRAINING

Next Monday will be a pupil free day as all staff at Drouin South Primary School participate in Day 1 of Berry Street Education training. The Berry St Education program is a 4 day program that staff will be trained in over 2023 and 2024.

The Berry St Education model will provide teachers with a range of strategies that will support students to become better regulated and to understand their emotions. Our first session is focused on “The Body” and the changes our body goes through when we encounter stress. Our staff will be able to utilise strategies in classrooms to help students manage these natural reactions in order to de-escalate and build coping skills.

INTERLEAGUE FOOTBALL TEAM

Congratulations to Oscar S, Oscar P, Cody N and Charlie S on their selection in the EDFL interleague footy squad. We wish them well in their upcoming competition.

LAST DAY TERM 3

The last day of Term 2 is next Friday 23rd June. Students will be dismissed at 2.15pm. Students may be collected from 1.30 onwards but must be signed out at the office if leaving before 2.15pm. The country buses will run an hour earlier than their normal time.

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.



DROUIN SOUTH PRIMARY SCHOOL

Invites potential 2024 Prep students and parents to
visit our Prep Classroom on

**WEDNESDAY
21ST JUNE
9.30AM—
10.30AM**



A message from our Chaplain.....

As we head into the last week of school for term 2 here is some more food for thought,

“If children live with ridicule, they learn to be shy.
But
If children live with acceptance, they learn to love.”

Don't forget I'm around on Wednesdays, Thursdays, & Fridays if you would like to contact me for any reason. Contact the office to arrange a time.

Hayno.
Chaplain DSPS.



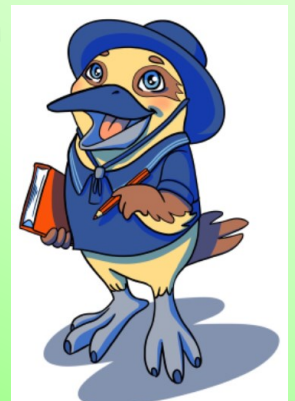
The Kookie Shop needs you!

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!





NEWS FROM 5/6A

Sustainability Expo

This term 5/6A have been investigating a topic of interest that links to our sustainability topic. They worked hard to research and create dioramas, posters, PowerPoints and videos. We had a Sustainability Expo where the students shared their projects and learning with their parents!





Working with Children Checks

As part of our commitment to Child Safety we recommend that *all* parents seek a Working With Children Check (free for volunteers). *A current Working With Children Card is required when assisting at school in any child related role whether this be assisting in classrooms, helping at parent's club events (eg. Mother's Day Stall), sports days, excursions and camps).* [Information on how to apply can be found HERE!](#)

[Our Child Safety Policy is available on the Drouin South Primary School website.](#)

New in the Library!

Geronimo's Christmas Collection by Geronimo Stilton

Telling the stories of the wise mouse Geronimo Stilton, a journalist-writer and inhabitant of New Mouse City, this series originated in Italy and quickly became a hit all over the world. For ages 7-10.

- *Merry Christmas, Geronimo!*: As Christmas nears, Geronimo suffers a series of unfortunate events, including a hospital visit and his mouse hole catching on fire. Can his holiday be saved?
 - *The Christmas Toy Factory*: Geronimo dresses up like Santa for the holidays (complete with letting kiddie mice tell him what they want for Christmas) for a story.
 - *A Very Merry Christmas*: On his way to New York for the holidays, Geronimo's luggage gets switched, and he finds himself on an adventure around the city trying to get back his bags.
- Review fromgroupon

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





Surviving Separation

Are you finding it difficult navigating your children's feelings and behaviour after separation?

Come along, learn some skills to assist you and your children to build strong connections and chat with other parents in similar situations.

Would you like to:

- Learn how to best support your children through separation?
- Learn ways to better deal with your emotions and theirs?
- Build communication skills for the future, for yourself and your children?
- Develop strategies to manage your children's behaviour

Dates: Thursday 20th July - 23rd August 2023

Time: 10:00am - 12:00pm

Cost: FREE

Venue: Online via ZOOM

Register via the QR code or contact
Parentzone.Gippsland@anglicarevic.org.au
P: (03) 5135 9555



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Term 3 - 10th July - 15th September

Tuning in to Kids

Emotionally Intelligent Parenting For Parents of Children Aged 3-12 Years

Would you like tips and strategies to:

- Better understand and communicate with your child?
- Help your child learn to manage their emotions and deal with conflict?
- Manage challenging behaviours?
- Parent anxious children?
- Raise resilient children?

Dates: Mondays 31st July - 4th September

Time: 10.00am - 12.00pm

Cost: FREE

Venue: Online via ZOOM

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Children with emotional intelligence:

- Have greater success with making and keeping friends
- Show improved concentration at school
- Have fewer illnesses

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Parenting Pre-Schoolers

- Gain a better understanding of your pre-schooler's behaviour?
- Learn positive discipline strategies?
- Improve communication with your pre-schooler?
- Get your pre-schooler to listen? Encourage the skills of resilience?
- Deal with your own frustrations and anxiety as a parent?

Where: On line via ZOOM

When: Wednesday 2nd August

Time: 10:00am - 12:00pm

Cost: FREE. Bookings essential

For bookings scan the QR code or contact:
E: parentzone.gippsland@anglicarevic.org.au
M: PO Box 959 Morwell Vic 3840
P: (03) 5135 9555



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Self Care for Parents and Carers

Are you feeling burnt out and overwhelmed by every day tasks?

Self care can sound like a simple thing to achieve however are you stuck with where to start?

Making time for self care looks at:

- Strategies for feeling less overwhelmed.
- Improving your confidence and self esteem.
- Building resilience and setting boundaries.
- Making time for yourself and your family

Where: On line via ZOOM

When: Friday 4th August, 2023

Time: 1:00pm - 3:00pm

Cost: FREE. Bookings essential

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Parenting Anxious Kids

Are you parenting young children who are displaying signs of anxiety in every day situations, would you like to better understand what is a normal age and stage response for a child aged 0-12years?

Parenting anxious kids looks at:

- Recognising the signs of anxiety
- What causes Anxiety in kids
- How this triggers parents
- Develop the skills to cope and discuss fears in an attempt to move through them
- How to respond when your child gets overwhelmed?
- Help your child to regulate their emotions?
- Support your child with their challenges?

Where: On line via ZOOM

When: Wednesday 30th August 2023

Time: 1:00pm - 3:00pm

Cost: FREE. Bookings essential

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Current Carers Education and Support

The Current Carers education and support group has been designed to promote positive growth in your relationship as a Kinship carer and with the young people you are supporting.

We understand the complexity and emotions that can impact your caring role as well as the changes in you families' dynamic. This is a judgement free supportive space designed to help you and your family reconnect while you go through this difficult time.

The program will run throughout the year with a monthly face to face meeting. Each month a new educational topic will be presented by Relationships Australia and ParentZone.

Where: Anglicare Victoria
190 Commercial Road Morwell
Victoria 3840

When: Wednesday 19th July 2023

Time: 10:00am- 12:00pm

Cost: Free

Where: Anglicare Victoria
190 Commercial Road Morwell
Victoria 3840

When: Wednesday 30th August 2023

Time: 10:00am- 12:00pm

Cost: Free

Where: Anglicare Victoria
190 Commercial Road Morwell
Victoria 3840

When: Wednesday 13th September 2023

Time: 10:00am- 12:00pm

Cost: Free



Register: via the QR code or contact
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Dealing with Feelings

Feelings can make us very uncomfortable

- Does your child (or you) have difficulty expressing feelings in appropriate ways?
- Does your child often seem to be anxious, angry, frustrated, jealous or sad?
- Would it be helpful to explore what other parents are doing to support their children?

DATE: Friday 8th September 2023

TIME: 1:00pm - 3:00pm

WHERE: Online Via Zoom

COST: This session is free of charge but registration is essential

Register: via the QR code or contact
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If your answer to any of these questions is "YES!" come along to join a discussion that explores positive responses to this parenting challenge, and to hear what works for other parents.

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Intensive Family Support

Do you want some more support for your family?

Integrated Family Services (IFS) is a voluntary, early intervention program aimed to promote the safety, stability and development of vulnerable children, young people and their families. IFS focuses on building capacity and resilience for children, families and communities. The program is delivered by a partnership of agencies across Inner Gippsland including: Bass Coast, Baw Baw, Latrobe, and South Gippsland Shires.

IFS provides a case management approach which can assist with:

- improving school attendance
- sleep and settling
- developing routines
- age and stage of development
- boundaries
- protective behaviours
- nutrition and health information
- community parenting groups
- referrals to other support services

To speak to someone regarding IFS supports a call to the orange door will put you in the right direction. The orange door is available for service intakes, general advice and information.

Anyone can contact The Orange Door on 1800 319 354.

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