



“Learning Together”



A community of active thinkers who can achieve their dreams.

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Week 24

11th August 2023

Student of the Week

Congratulations to:



Nixon McC: For his fantastic effort on his reading with his partner and trying really hard with his writing. Well done!

Josie S: For your continued motivation and thoughtful contribution to class discussions. Awesome effort Josie!



Jack N: For working hard to improve his spelling and sentence writing. Great work Jack!

Jackson L: For his spectacular perseverance and approach to new learning this week. Superstar Jackson!



Russell L: For the fantastic effort you put into your learning. Well done for being a persistent, respectful learner.

Aylah W: For always working hard on being a caring, respectful learner. You show kindness and consideration to others. Well done Aylah!

WANTED

Do you have any spare bright offcuts or scraps of fabric that could be used for weaving? If so, please send them to the Art room. Thanks!

IMPORTANT DATES

Friday 18th August—pie orders available to pick up at end of school day

— Prep Transition session: 9.15-10.15am (see p.3 for other times)

Swimming:

Monday 14th to Friday 18th August—Grades 2/3A, 2/3B and Year 1

Monday 21st to Friday 25th August—Grades 5/6A, 5/6B and Year 4

Monday 28th August to Friday 1st September—Preps



PRINCIPAL'S REPORT



Dear Parents and Carers

SWIMMING-WEEK 1

Our swimming and water safety program commences next week with Grade 2/3A, 2/3B and Grade 1. Students will need to ensure they have all items required for swimming including:

- Bathers
- Towel
- Swimming goggles/ear plugs if required (not essential)
- Dry underwear to change into
- A plastic bag for wet towels/bathers

All items must be clearly labelled with the child's name.

Classes will have different break times in some cases for recess and lunch and also for specialist programs.

All permission notes and money should now be with the school.

Students not attending swimming will be given alternative tasks and will be split between other classrooms.

HUMAN BODY THEME

This term all classes have been learning about a school wide theme of "The Human Body". The learning is part of the science and health curriculum and has been interwoven throughout other subject areas, particularly literacy, throughout the term. The idea of a school wide topic provides opportunities for students to develop their knowledge and build vocabulary whilst demonstrating their learning through reading, writing and other forms of presentation. It has been wonderful to hear the learning conversations, see the vocabulary being used and displayed in classrooms and also hear the senior students developing their reading fluency utilising carefully constructed and selected content-rich reading passages about aspects and systems of the human body.

BOOK FAIR

The Book Fair purchases totalled almost \$4000 this year which is an amazing result from our school community! As a result of this generous spending by our parents, grandparents and VIPs, the school now qualified for approximately \$1000 to spend on the scholastic range. This will help to put some great new books in our library for students to enjoy! Thanks again to Melissa Briggs and the parents who organised and operated the Book Fair this year!



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.



A message from our Chaplain.....

This weeks Value to think about is **Honesty**.

What is honesty? Many children think honesty means you "don't tell a lie"-- and this is true... But honesty means more than "not lying."

Honesty means your actions are truthful too. If you have to hide what you are doing because you are trying to trick someone, you probably aren't being honest. In simple words, honesty is about both speaking and acting truthfully.

For your children to develop honesty, you must be honest yourself. Your children are very perceptive and will take cues from you. If they see you lying, or acting deceptively they will understand that these actions are OK.



Each time your children are honest, tell them how much you appreciate their honesty. Positive reinforcement of good behaviours helps the behaviour to continue.

Thanks, Hayno. Chaplain DSPS.

(I'm currently on leave until September)



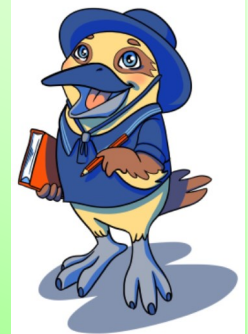
The Kookie Shop needs you!

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!



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2024 PREP TRANSITION SESSIONS

FRIDAY 18TH AUGUST (9.15-10.15)

FRIDAY 8TH SEPTEMBER (9.15-10.15)

FRIDAY 10TH NOVEMBER (9.15-10.15)

TUESDAY 12TH DECEMBER (9.15-10.45)

Grade 2/3A News

Reading / Writing - The Human Body.

This term we have been learning about the human body. We have looked at cells, tissues, organs and are currently finding out about the digestive system. We listen to and read information as a group, as well as with our partners. This information helps us to complete sentence fragments and use ideas like because, but and so to show what we have learnt about the topic. We also use this vocabulary for spelling, breaking the words into syllables and analysing their sounds. Did you know that you can still swallow food when you're upside down? This is because your oesophagus muscles squeeze the food down, a bit like squeezing a tube of toothpaste.



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Bones keep your body parts together and hold everything upright. They protect soft organs such as the heart. We have more bones because when we were younger they will connect together to form our bones together so that our bones stay strong.

Skin is very important to us, did you know skin is your largest organ? Did you know it is an organ? We have skin for a reason we don't just have it because it looks cool, we have it because it protects our insides and if we didn't have it all our insides would fall out. Your eyes and ears are organs eyes help you see and ears help you hear, and if you didn't have them you would bump into walls and not hear people. The old cells flake off and the new cells it forms a protective layer for the new cells.

1 Red blood cells make red blood.
2 White blood cells which work like little soldiers.
3 Red and white blood cells are different because they do different jobs.
4 White blood cells are part of our immune system because

Maths - Division

In maths this term we have been learning about multiplication and division. We have used arrays, sharing, groups of, number lines and different models to help us understand this concept. Currently we are investigating how multiplication and division are related.



$$8 \div 2 = 4$$

MATH

New in the Library!

Horrible Histories—Ghosts by Terry Deary

Boo! Discover all the frightful stories behind iconic ghost tales and legends from around the world with history's most horrible headlines: the ghost and ghouls edition.

The master of making history fun, Terry Deary, turns his attention to spooks and spirits.

From the **ancient evils of Egypt**, cutthroat **Celtic sacrifices**, **Anne Boleyn** and other **restless royals**, a **deathly drummer boy** trapped in the underground passages of Edinburgh, as well as **ghost busters** and **spook rumpers**, combined with tons of **Horrible Halloween facts** and top tips for getting rid of ghouls, it's all in **Horrible Histories: Ghosts**:

- Fully illustrated throughout and packed with **hair-raising stories** - with all the horribly hilarious bits included
- With a **fresh take** on the classic Horrible Histories style, perfect for fans old and new
- The perfect series for anyone looking for a **fun and informative** read
- Horrible Histories has been **entertaining** children and families for generations with books, TV, stage show, magazines, games and 2019's **brilliantly funny** *Horrible Histories: the Movie - Rotten Romans*.

Review taken from *Amazon*

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

