



"Learning Together"



A community of active thinkers who can achieve their dreams.

Caring, Respectful, Learners

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Week 35

10th November 2023

Student of the Week Congratulations to:



Zavier H-P: For reading a book on his own. Well Done.



Nate V: For his fantastic effort on sounding out words for spelling and showing great listening in our daily reviews. Well done!



Mia M: For her focus, hard work and determination during daily reviews. Great effort Mia!



Levi S: For actively engaging in learning tasks and eagerly sharing his knowledge. Well done Levi!



Gema D: For your incredible enthusiasm organising Wool Club, acting as a student mentor, and always working hard to achieve your dreams. Superstar Gema!



Jackson P: For always working well with your peers and having a positive attitude!



Emma T: For doing a fabulous job at persevering through challenges in both learning and in the yard. Well done Em!

IMPORTANT DATES

Friday 17th November—Science Incursion P-3

Thursday 23rd November - DSPS Art Show (see ad on p.3)

Friday 24th November—Science incursion 4-6

Tuesday 12th December—Leap into Learning—9.15-10.45am/ Transition days P-7

Wednesday 13th December – Christmas Fair (day) and School Concert (evening)

Thursday 14th December—Grade 6 Day Out

Wednesday 20th—Last Day of School Year (2.15pm finish/Pickup from 1.30pm)



Student of the Week Congratulations to:



Bella BB: For showing fantastic listening skills at learning time and improving on her writing. Well done!



Asha S: For his motivation, focus and hard work in spelling and maths. Keep up the great work Asha!



Morgan F: For his incredible effort to read with fluency and expression. Superstar Morgan!



Nate O: For having a positive attitude towards learning!



Casey P: For being an active participant in EVERY session—you always try your best and apply yourself. Well done!



PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

Dear Parents and Carers

IMPORTANT DATES

Please note that we have quite a few important dates coming up in the next few weeks. Please keep an eye on the calendar on page 1 each week and we will endeavour to keep you informed.

ART SHOW

We have a fabulous Art Show that will be taking place on Thursday 23rd November. There will be two sessions. Session 1 will run from 3.15pm to 4.30pm. Session 2 will run from 6.30pm to 7.30pm. There will be over 1000 exhibits on display from students from Prep through to Year 6. We hope you can join us to appreciate and enjoy the wonderful masterpieces on display.

*Michael Smith— Principal
Caring, Respectful, Learners*

We would like to acknowledge those first nation families who cared for and used this land for many generations. We will commit to **caring** and using the land our school is built on in a **respectful** way. We are grateful to have this land where we can **learn** together.

(Developed by Drouin South PS students and SRC 2023)



DSPS ART SHOW

Thursday the 23rd of November, 2023

Family, friends and community members invited.

Over 1000 student artworks on display

Open 3.15-4.30pm and 6.30-7.30pm.

We would love to see you there to celebrate our students' creative Art!



A message from our Chaplain.....

This week's Dr Seuss inspired thought is a bit of a mind bender;

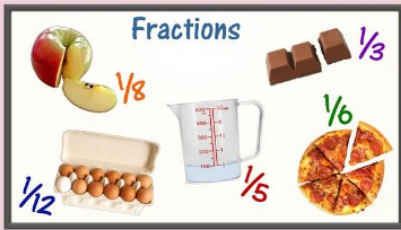


“Knowing how to learn” is about being teachable. I might *learn* something, but until I am competent do I actually *know* it? Sometimes when I *know* something I don't actually remember when I *learnt* it.

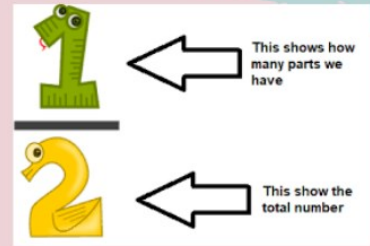
Our goal is to be life long learners and to teach out Kids to be the same. We all need to Know how to learn.

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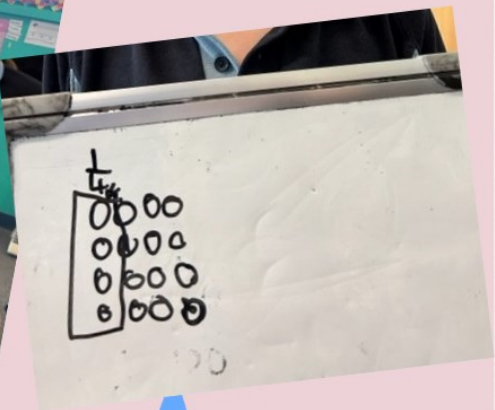
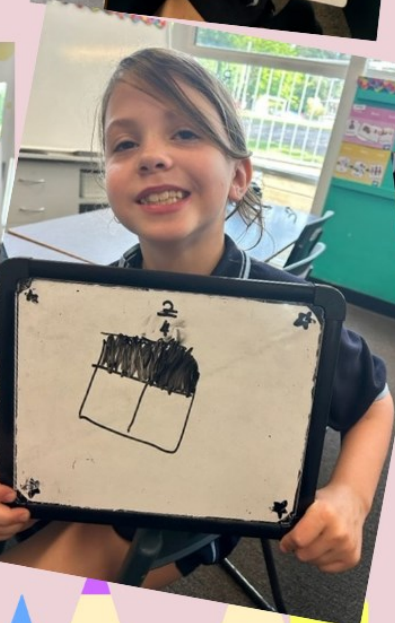
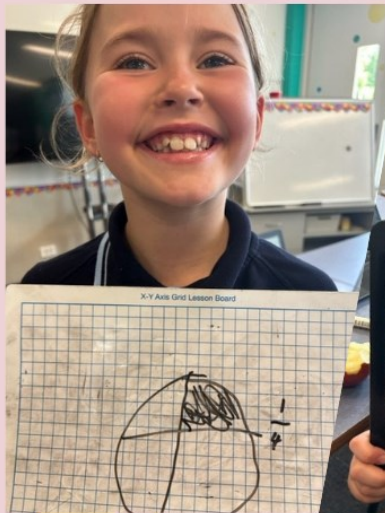
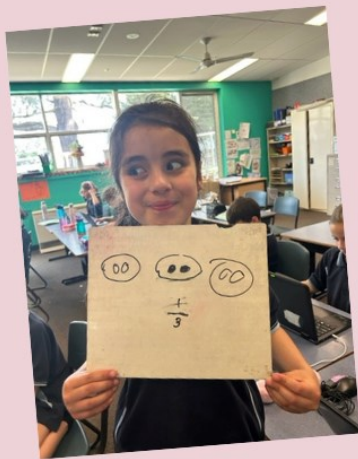
Chaplain DSPS.



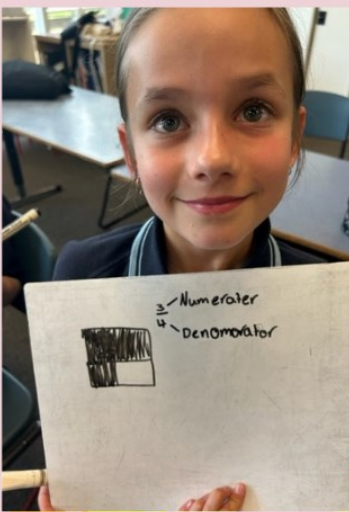
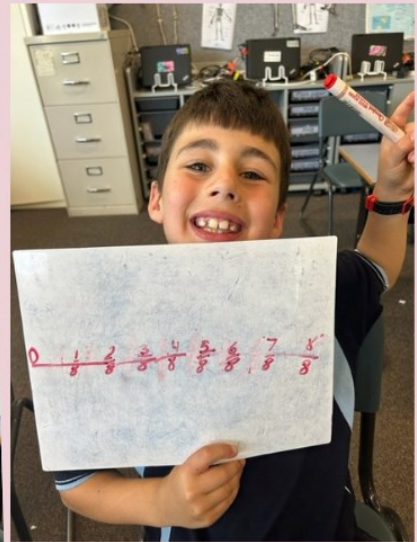
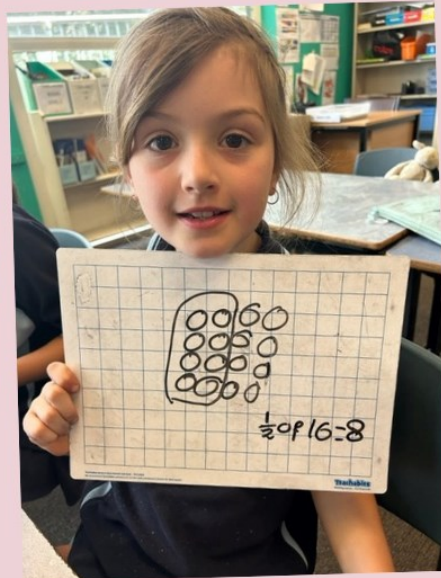
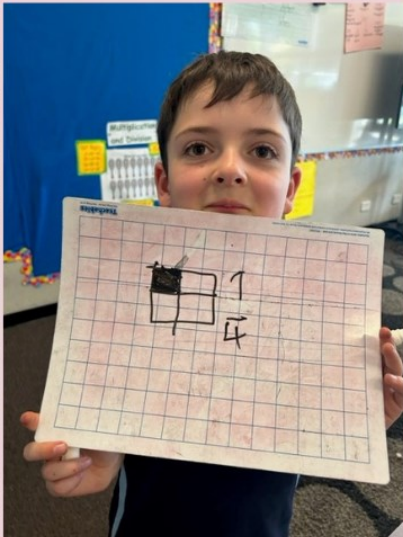
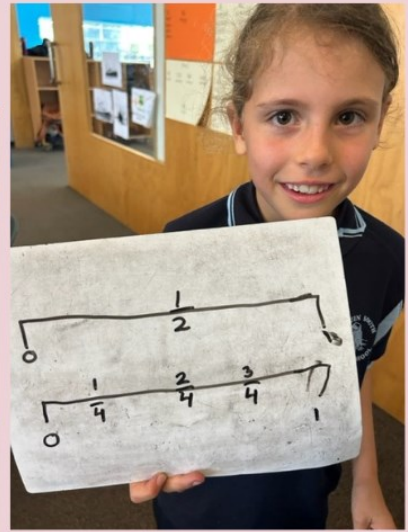
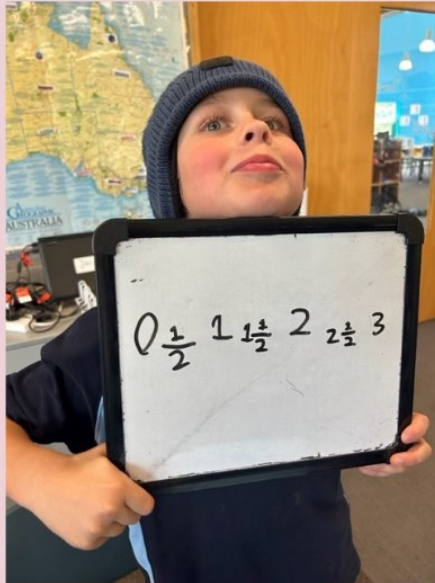
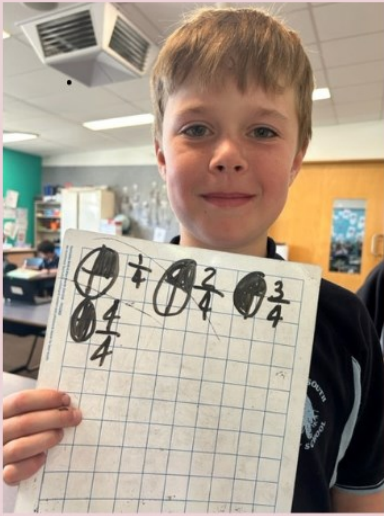
FRACTIONS



This term in 2/3B, we have been learning all about fractions. Students have been exploring fractions of shapes, collections, number lines and the link between multiplication, division and fractions. We have learnt new terms such as 'numerator' and 'denominator', and are beginning to notice fractions that have the same value (equivalent fractions).

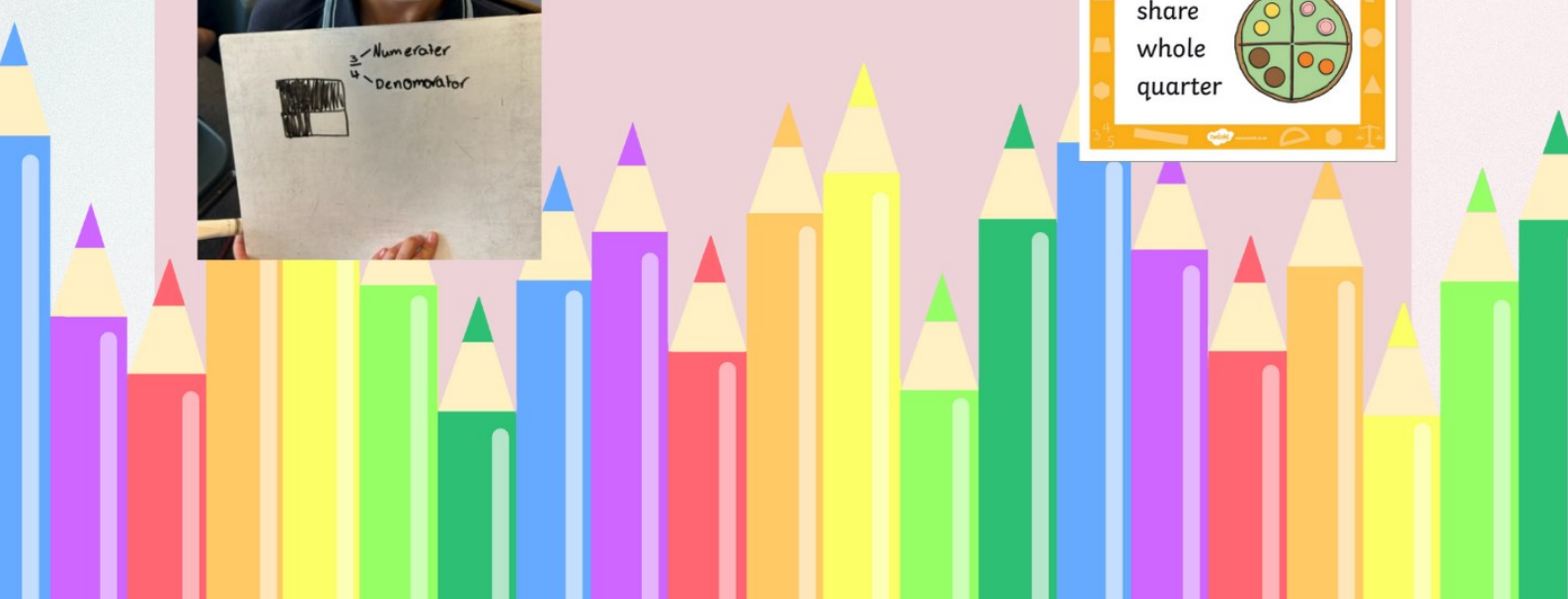


FRACTIONS



Fraction Vocabulary

- equal parts
- fraction
- half
- eighth
- share
- whole
- quarter





**2023 DSPS CHRISTMAS
CONCERT**

**‘WHERE IN THE
WORLD IS SANTA?’**



Wednesday 13th December 6pm

**Our concert is an open air event on the
oval. Bring your own camp chairs or
picnic rug.**

**BYO Picnic from 5pm.
Family and Friends welcome!**





DSPS CHRISTMAS CARNIVAL

HOSTED BY JUNIOR SCHOOL COUNCIL

**CARNIVAL GAMES, FACE PAINTING,
TOY PET ADOPTION, LUCKY DIP, SPONGE
★ THROW AND MUCH MORE ★
STARTING FROM 50C
TREATS, POFFERTJES AND SLUSHIES \$2**



DECEMBER 13TH



STARTING AT 11.45AM



SIBLINGS AND FAMILY WELCOME



New in the Library!

Australia's Most Dangerous Spiders—

Australian Geographic

From big, hairy spiders and intricate, delicate spiders to pointy fangs and sticky webs—welcome to the world of Australia's creepy crawly spiders!

With fast facts, full colour illustrations and images from Australian Geographic's image library this 32 page book for age 8+ has everything you need to know about spiders, like how different spiders use their webs, how and what they eat, how they see, which are deadly to humans and why they don't stick to their own webs.

Dangerous to people or not? Learn how to recognise the most deadly spiders—and how to help someone who has been bitten.

Discover the amazing tricks spiders use to catch plenty of insects for their dinner.

Find out how to tell which spider made the huge web that appeared in your garden overnight.

*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



The Mindful Jar

This activity can teach children about how strong emotions can take hold, and how to find peace when these strong emotions come up.

Firstly find a clear jar and fill it almost to the top with water. Now add a big spoon of glitter glue or glue and dry glitter. Put the lid on and shake the jar to make it swirl.

Now use this script or similar:

“Imagine that the glitter is like your thoughts when you’re stressed, mad or upset. See how they whirl around and make it really hard to see clearly? That’s why it’s so easy to make silly decisions when you’re upset— because your not thinking clearly. Don’t worry, this is normal and it happens to all of us.”

——-NOW PUT THE JAR IN FRONT OF THEM——

“Now watch what happens when you’re still for a couple of moments. Keep watching. See how the glitter starts to settle and the water clears? Your mind works in the same way. When you’re calm for a little while, your thoughts start to settle and you see things much clearer.”

This exercise not only helps children learn about how their emotions can cloud their thoughts, it also

facilitates the practice of mindfulness with focusing on the swirl of the jar.



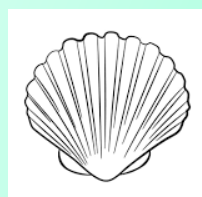
Everyday Mindfulness

You can use everyday moments to build and practise mindfulness. The more you practise, the more benefit you’ll get.

You can also **encourage your child to build mindfulness**. In many ways, this is just about getting your child to do what she naturally does. Young children are naturally mindful because every new experience is fresh and exciting for them. Older children and teenagers can learn mindfulness.

Encouraging your child to be in the here and now can give him skills to deal with the stress of study, work and play as he gets older. There are many ways to help your child build and practise mindfulness. For example:

- Colouring in is a great way to get your child focused on a task.
- Walking through nature with the family can get your child interested in exploring the beauty of nature. Your child could collect and examine autumn leaves, or she could feel the sand beneath her toes during a walk on the beach.



- Taking photographs or drawing something interesting or beautiful – like a sea shell or an insect – encourages your child to look closely at details.
- Looking after a vegetable patch encourages your child to notice how plants grow.



- Listening to music and focusing on the instruments or lyrics is a great way for your child to focus on the present without distraction.