



"Learning Together"



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8th December 2023

Student of the Week Congratulations to:



Judd A: For doing an amazing job in Reading when it comes to blending sounds. Well Done.



Harlan V: For your concentration and persistence to complete all assessment tasks.



Tayla K: For showing great progress in generating ideas to write about. Well done for your persistence and using your peer's ideas to inspire you!



Vincent T: For contributions to class discussions that are always insightful and interesting. Keep it up, we really appreciate it!

IMPORTANT DATES

Monday 11th December—all library books due back and no more borrowing

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

Tuesday 12th December—Grade 6 Graduation Party 5.30-7pm, Presentation from 7pm.

Wednesday 13th December

- Christmas Carnival (day) - see ad on p.6
- School Concert (evening) - see ad on p.7

Thursday 14th December—Grade 6 Day Out

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



PRINCIPAL'S REPORT



Dear Parents and Carers

Transition Morning

On Tuesday 12th December we will be holding a 2024 Transition Morning for all of our students.

This is a state-wide transition day where all Year 6 students spend the day at their respective secondary schools in preparation for Year 7.

At Drouin South Primary School we also use this day as to provide all of our students with an opportunity to spend a morning with their 2024 class and their 2024 teacher. In the past we have found that this helps to relieve some anxiety that can take place over the school break as students know their teacher and their peers that they will start the year with.

Tuesday 12th December is also the day that our 2024 Prep students will join us for their 4th and final Transition morning.

All students and parents will be notified of the 2024 teachers for each grade on this day.

Grade 6 Graduation

Our Grade 6 Graduation evening will take place at school on the evening of Tuesday 12th March between 5.30 and 7.30pm. This takes the form of a Year 6 Pizza Party. At 7.00pm, parents and family members join us for a brief ceremony to officially farewell and congratulate our students.

Christmas Fair

Our Student Representative Council run "Christmas Fair" is one of the highlights of the year. All students enjoy a range of games and stalls with a Christmas Theme. We also extend an invitation to our 2024 Prep students to attend this event which commences at 11.45am and runs through until approximately 1.30pm.

Christmas Concert

All Grades have started rehearsals for the Christmas Concert which takes place at school on the evening of Wednesday 13th December. We cross our fingers for good weather as this makes for a very relaxing and happy event as we celebrate Christmas and the end of the school year as a school community.

Grade 6 Big Day Out—Thursday 14th December

The Year 6 students enjoy a day out together as one of their final celebrations to mark the end of their primary school years.

Last Official Day of School

The last official day of the school year is Wednesday 20th December. The official finish time is 2.15pm however students can be collected from 1.30pm. No buses will run on this day.

Reports will be sent home towards the end of the week 11th-15th December.

*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)



Lunch Orders

- ♦ last day—Tuesday 12th December
- ♦ first day in 2024—Tuesday 6th February



All library books due back this Monday!

A reminder that **all library books need to be returned by Monday 11th December**, and there will be no borrowing from then. Please return all overdue books ASAP.



Miss Jenny has sent out reminders to all students with a list of their overdue books . The cost to the school of misplaced and lost books can be quite substantial so please remind children to go on a “book hunt” and put a big smile on Miss Jenny’s face !

New in the Library!

Diary of a Minecraft Zombie

—Time Loop Troubles (Book 36)

Ever wonder what life is like for a Minecraft Zombie? Zombie thinks the Scare School trip to the Forest Biome is going to be boring! But when he sneaks off after an epic food fight and discovers some mysterious ruins, Zombie accidentally gets sucked into a portal that traps him in a time loop! Zombie has to live the same Friday over

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

and over and over again! Will Zombie ever escape the time loop? Or is he doomed to live the same day for the rest of his mob life?



Art Show 2023





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





**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!**



Desire To Sketch FREE Scavenger Hunt!

- ☆ December 24th 11am - around 1.30pm
- ☆ Civic Park Drouin, Near the Playground!

Just over \$1700 worth of Art Supplies and Candy Canes to be found
and fun to be had!

scavenger Hunt! Free Art Supplies!



Drouin Lions Club,
sausage sizzle!



Lil Easel Arts
Chalk Art!



Candy Canes,
Presents!



2x Face Painters!



The place to be-
Coffee Van!



SPONSORED BY

- Desire To Sketch- Keira sloetjes.
 - The Robin Hood Inn, Drouin.
 - Allstar Pool Tables, Dandenong.
 - In2Frames, Warragul.
 - Sean Field Painting, Brisbane.
 - Birchgrove Park Agistment.
 - Western District Carpet Cleaning
- Thank you!

Ages 5 -18 will get the art supplies presents from the scavenger hunt and can be involved in all the other activities below.
For ages 5 and under there will be candy canes, chalk art, face painting, coffee van and a Sausage sizzle!

So we can cater for numbers

Please Register here

<https://www.eventbrite.com/e/desire-to-sketch-free-scavenger-hunt-tickets-771373989367>

Includes

Scavenger Hunt, Free Art Supplies/Candy Cane Giveaway and Chalk Art run by Desire To Sketch.

2x Face Painters including -Sians Face Painting and Twinkle toes Face Painting.

A Sausage sizzle run by The Drouin Lions Club!

The place to be COFFEE VAN

Free second-hand Drouin Secondary College uniform

If you're interested in any of the following items please contact the office on 5627 6286 to express your interest.

x1 jacket - M?

X1 tartan skirt—12J

x3 dresses—12J & 14J

X3 shirts (light blue x 3 10J)

X2 skirts 10A-14J (same colour as dress) X1 scarf



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



Tips For Planning a Healthy Lunchbox

- Make time to prepare & buy food in advance
- Choose a variety of foods from the 5 food groups
- Shop wisely and save money
- Make your own snacks
- Look after the environment
- Include a bottle of water
- Keep food cool



Lunchbox Safety

When packing a school lunch, it is important to consider how it will be kept cool to prevent spoiling. If food is not stored properly, bacteria in the food can grow and make you sick. Lunches that are kept in school bags all day are likely to get warm, and foods such as meat or cheese sandwiches, milk and yoghurt need to be kept cool.

Follow these tips to keep lunchbox food safe!

Keep it Clean:

- Wash your hands before and after preparing food
- Keep benches and chopping boards clean and dry
- Wash lunchbox and utensils before use



Keep it Cool:

- Use an insulated lunchbox
- Pack a frozen water bottle, ice brick or yoghurt pouch
- Refrigerated the lunchbox where possible
- Keep the lunchbox out of the sun

High Risk Foods:

Be extra cautious with the following foods

- Meat/Poultry
- Soft cheese
- Eggs
- Dairy products
- Seafood
- Cooked pasta/rice

