DATES TO REMEMBER:

2016

Friday December 2nd
2017 Prep Orientation
2:15pm—3:15pm

Monday 5th December
2017 Book Sales

Tuesday December 6th
2017 Prep Orientation
9:15am—10:45am
2017 Book Sales

Wednesday December 7th
Drouin Secondary College’s
Primary School Music Tour—
To be confirmed

Thursday December 15th
Christmas Concert

Friday December 16th
Junior School Christmas Fair
-Carnival Games
-Photo Booth
-Food
-Cookie Decorating

Monday December 12th
Grade 6 Graduation Forms due
back today.

Monday December 19th
Grade 6 Graduation Dinner
and Presentation.

Tuesday December 20th
LAST DAY OF TERM
SCHOOL FINISHES 2:15

Attachments:

CONGRATULATIONS
TO:

Back Row: William, Andrew Chelsea, Maddison

Front Row: Sharni, James, Judd, Bradley Darcy, Jayden,
Dear Parents and Community,

**Scrabble Team**
Well done to our Scrabble team who last week participated in the Schools Competition at Bona Vista Primary School. I heard that it was a fun day and lots of interesting words were “invented” by the participants. In a nail biting finish to the event, Hayden King sealed victory and was awarded first place. Well done everybody involved.

**Lateness-sign in / Absences Reasons.**
Please note that all students arriving after the morning bell are expected to be signed in at the office by a parent. If a parent is not able to sign the student in, they still must report to the office. It is important that all students arrive on time for the start of class which is 9.00am. Absences from school must also be accompanied by a note from parents explaining the reason for the absence.

**Prep Transition**
Our first Prep Transition program took place this afternoon. It is exciting to see our new soon to be Preppies interreacting in our classrooms. We have two more Transition sessions remaining.

Thank You.

Michael Smith—Principal

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On the 12th of November Jay, Lysie, Hayden and Lauren went off to Bona Vista Primary as representatives of DSPS for the Scrabble Tournament. We competed in the championship division and we all tasted the glory of winning a game. If we lost we thought up new strategies to pull a win out of the bag, and it was a great way to socialise with children from different school.

We did well overall with Hayden bringing home the perpetual trophy and a purple trophy for his first place effort.

Thank you to Nat Comber and Belinda Ling for getting us there and Ms Pentland for coaching us for this event. We highly recommend the experience and would advise to start training early for those interest in next year's competition.

By Lauren.
The Drouin South A Cricket team broke our school records by progressing through to the Regional stage in the Milo T20 Blast School Cup (formerly known as Kanga Cricket). I had the wonderful privilege of witnessing their exploits on the day which was played at Traralgon West Sporting Complex. The conduct of the Drouin South cricketers was exceptional and once again they have done our school proud. A huge thanks to Belinda King and Jedda Maric who assisted with the transportation arrangements on the day and to Rob King who was gently encouraged to exercise his photography skills. Another thank you to all of the 24 students who committed themselves to lunchtime and recess training sessions and as previously mentioned each and every student have done our school proud. I have attached comments made by some of the competing students to provide you with an insight into the day!!

Denby Moore

On Tuesday the 15th, myself and 8 others went to Traralgon West to play the next level of Kanga Cricket (also Kanga 8’s). The drive there was quite tedious as I’m sure everyone was bubbling with excitement. After a short practice and information from the organisers we got into our first match against Sale. The game was very enjoyable as we all bowled very well and showed some awesome skills when batting! However, in the end, we lost our first game. We then continued to play 3 more great games, winning 1 out of the 4. People showed great resilience when they were asked if they wanted to sit out, because of our team having 9 instead of the required 8 players to play. Overall, it was a great day out and I recommend everyone has a go at Kanga Cricket next year!

Hayden

Cricket Report
On Tuesday the 15th of November, Hayden, Jamie, Ryan, Chris, Brad, Joe, Xavier, Jack and I went to the T20 Blast Cricket Event. This was the Regionals so we knew it wasn’t going to be easy. We played four games of cricket against other schools. We competed against Sale, St. Michael’s, Cowes and St. Thomas. We won one game which was against Cowes. Overall it was a pretty good day (especially because I got a day off work) and we all had a blast (excuse the pun).

Jye
Cooking in F/1B!

As part of our ‘Step Back In Time’ unit, F/1B have been exploring some traditional ‘olden days’ recipes. The children needed to listen carefully to instructions, apply measurement knowledge, work as a team and generally get their hands messy.....there was much laughter, enjoyment and lots of ingredients slipping into eager mouths! Watch out Master Chef, these kids know how to work the kitchen!

Trifle

Tarkyn beat the cream with great enjoyment!

Savoury Scones

Paige and Penny did a great job rubbing their butter into the flour.

Ready to cook our scones!

Oh dear! Ashley got covered in flour—much to her pleasure! Lots of laughter!

Ella, Harley and Judd all loved the scones!

Taj and Abbey were very impressed by the huge slab of wobbly, wobbly red jelly.......Yum yum yum!

Lincoln carefully cut up his sponge a fruit!
Apple Crumble

Blake ensured he followed the recipe perfectly to gather his dry ingredients:

Shanay and Tyler carefully rubbed the butter into the dry ingredients to make the crumble.

Dylan wasn’t overly keen on the sticky fingers he got from rubbing the butter in!

Coal Creek.... We had a splendid time on our excursion to the historical village....

We learnt writing the old school way.

We learnt NOT to be naughty!

We got creative making soap dolls!

Writing swirly Copperplate font on slate boards was very tricky!

We definitely didn’t pass the ‘clean hands’ requirement!

Bush Cooking—damper stones!
Last Thursday, 17th Nov, 5/6B welcomed many VIPs (even a kitten!) into the classroom and our wonderful school. The students were able to share the work they had been doing over the past term relating to our theme Bizarre Bazaar. They also showcased some of their best work in their display folders. We were extremely grateful for the VIPs coming in and giving us some of their time. It was fantastic to see so many visitors, particularly at the school assembly! We thank you all very much and will treasure these memories!
It was great to have Family Members and Special Friends visit us on VIP Day. Can you see any resemblances?
A note was sent home earlier this week regarding the Grade 6 Graduation and Presentation Dinner. This will be held on Monday night, December 19th at the Drouin South Hall. If any Grade 6’s did not receive a note, please get one from the school office. Please make sure your forms and money are sent back to school by the 12th of December.

The JSC Christmas Fair will be held on the December 16th. There will be lots of awesome carnival games, treats, photo booth, throw a wet sponge at the teachers, prizes and LOADS more. Most things will cost 50 cents, but treats will cost $1.

The grade 5/6 grades have been busy during term 4 designing, producing and advertising hand made products to sell. Some of the items you may see there are; bath bombs, jewellery, coasters, bag charms, stress balls, book covers, lucky dips and loads more. The items on sale cost under $10 with many around $1 - $2.

For your information, the money raised will be donated to a foundation of their choice such as UNICEF, World Vision, Salvation Army, etc. We hope to see you there!

The 2016 year book is currently in the process of being produced. The book provides a great momento of Drouin South Primary School in 2016. In early December an order form will be sent home with the Newsletter to order your Year Book.