



# The Oak Observer

Drouin West Primary School

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2022 TERM 4



## Kinder Build Update!





# IMPORTANT DATES



<b>Mondays</b>	Lunch Orders— Flexischools App
<b>Tuesdays</b>	Library Open to students at lunch time Breakfast Club
<b>Thursdays</b>	Lunch Orders - Flexischools App Library Open to Students at lunchtime
<b>Fridays</b>	Outside Assembly @ 2:50pm <b>Prep Transition Sessions</b>
<b>Fri 9th DEC</b>	Group A 9:00am—11:00am, Group B 11:30—1:30pm
<b>Mon 5th DEC</b>	Gumbuya World Big Day Out for Year 6
<b>Tues 6th DEC</b>	Teachers V's Year 6 Student Kickball
<b>Wed 7th DEC</b>	Visit from DSC school band
<b>Thurs 8th DEC</b>	Whole School Concert - Picnic Dinner 6:30 - 8:00pm
<b>Mon 12th DEC</b>	Year 6 Graduation
<b>Tues 13th DEC</b>	'Step Up Day' Statewide Transition Day School Council Meeting 7pm <b>Last day for lunch orders</b>
<b>Tues 20th DEC</b>	Last day of Term 4 2023 1:00pm Finish

## 2023 SCHOOL DATES

<b>Thurs 26th JAN</b>	Australia Day (No Students)
<b>Fri 27th JAN</b>	Student Free Curriculum Day (No Students)
<b>Mon 30th JAN</b>	Student Free Curriculum Day (No Students)
<b>Tues 31st JAN</b>	ALL STUDENTS BACK AT SCHOOL FOR 2023
<b>Wed 1st FEB</b>	No Preps (Prep students do not attend school on Wednesdays in February)



# From the Principal

*'Be Safe, Be Kind, Be Respectful, Be a Learner'*

Dear Families,

We had another fantastic week last week, the Prep/One students embraced their swimming program and certainly built their confidence and skills throughout the week. It was fantastic to hear how the children challenged themselves and not only built their swimming skills, also those life skills of managing changing and keeping belongings together.

Our Grade 2/3's are gaining so much from our social and emotional drumming sessions on Thursdays through the Healing the Beat program. The program empowers students to build on their communication skills and teamwork skills and they have enjoyed it greatly.

Students will 'Step Up' into their new classrooms and meet their 2023 teacher on transition day on the 13th of December .

This is an opportunity for students to familiarise themselves with the grade and the classroom teacher.

In 2023 we are saying a warm farewell to Mrs Kerrie Wainwright, Mrs Irene Faumuina, Mr Sam Cheeseman and Mrs Stacie Gardiner. We wish them all the very best in their future endeavours.

We are really looking forward to the end of year celebrations. Our End of Year concert on the lawn is happening on Thursday the 8<sup>th</sup> of December. Don't forget your picnic rug and chairs! We hope the weather will be kind to us. If by chance the weather is awful, our back up plan will be an extended assembly on the 9<sup>th</sup> of December.

On the following page, please find out classrooms layout for 2023. Have a great weekend.

Kelly Halliday, Principal

# 2023 Classroom Plans

Prep - Chloe Thompson

Prep - Leah Bull

One - Carlie Balfour

One - Lauren McKay

Two/Three - Holly Viotto

Two/Three - Kasey Tymkin

Two/Three - Courtney Heath/  
Christine Winter

Four/Five - Erin Baudinette

Four/Five - Hayley Jessiman

Five/Six - Loree Ambrose

Five/Six - Stephanie Flannery

*Specialist team*

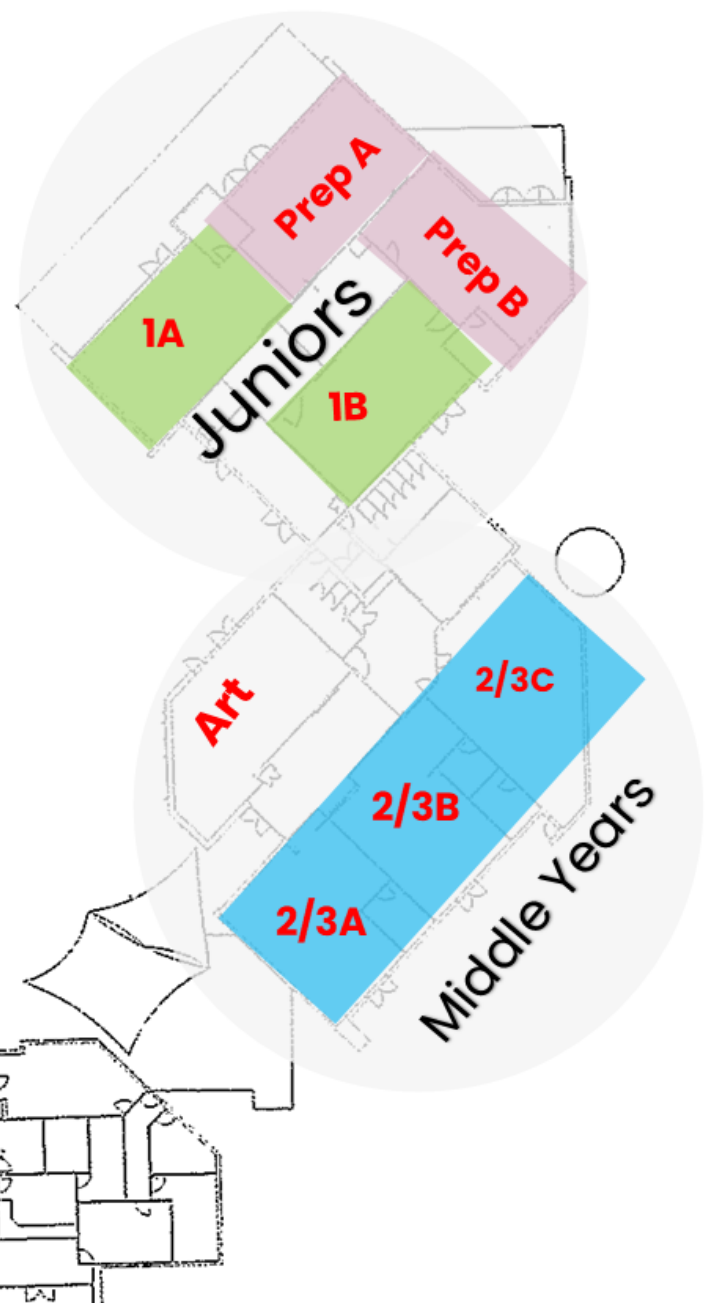
STEM/Maths - Joel Gilcrist

Art - Alesha Edelmaier

P-6 PE - TBC

AUSLAN - in classrooms.

**Library**



# We're saying 'Goodbye' to Class Dojo in 2023!

**In 2023 we will no longer be utilising  
Class dojo for school  
communications.**

It will still be used for individual student points  
and rewards.

Why are we saying goodbye to dojo?

- To reduce the number of apps families are required to use.
- To bring us in line with local secondary schools (the majority of which use Compass) and make the transition from primary to secondary easier.
- Compass has the same features of dojo (teacher messaging and classroom news feeds).



A guide for families can be  
found here:

[https://www.compass.education/  
guide](https://www.compass.education/guide)



# Maxim is partnering with **Drouin West Primary School** to supply 2023 backpacks to all students

Visit [www.maximbooklists.com.au](http://www.maximbooklists.com.au)  
and enter your unique school code  
to order your children's packs today!

Your Code :

**DROUINWEST**

Dear Parents,

Many thanks for supporting Drouin West PS with the online portal. We have partnered with Maxim Office Group Pty Ltd to ensure a seamless school start for 2023. Packs will be delivered to the school for collection.

If you have any questions, please call Maxim on 1800 25 35 35 and press option 1.

Please note:

**Orders must be placed by the 20<sup>th</sup> of December 2022 to ensure delivery is on time, ready for collection from the school.**

To order your Backpack:

- Please follow this link: <http://www.maximbooklists.com.au>
- Your access code is: **DROUINWEST**
- *\*Please note this is capital sensitive. Please enter code as displayed in screen.*
- Select the year level required for order
- Please ensure that the students' name, your name and contact details are given and correct
- Select 'Place order'
- If purchasing more than one booklist, please select 'Add another booklist' and follow the same procedure from step 3
- Select 'Proceed to payment options'
- Your total payment amount required will display on screen
- Select 'Pay Now'
- Please choose your check-out option – Credit/ Direct Debit available. Ensure payment details are correctly entered
- You will receive a payment receipt and an order confirmation to the email address you provided
- Your child's pack/s will be delivered to the school for collection

Thank you,  
Maxim Office Group Pty Ltd

# DROUIN WEST PRIMARY SCHOOL

THURSDAY 8th DECEMBER

★ Invites all Grades  
and Families to our



## END OF YEAR CONCERT!

Starts at 6:30PM, finishing roughly by 8:00PM

Under the new shade sail /deck area  
BYO chairs, picnic blankets and  
picnic dinner of your choice.  
Christmas raffle to be drawn!

# FROM OUR COMMUNITY

A big thank you to everyone who has dropped off items for our annual Christmas Raffle. Monday is the last day to bring something in for us before we bundle raffles.



The SRC raised a total of \$184.40 through the Teddy Bear Picnic /Movie Day last week. They have purchased some new books for our Library with the help of the Library Captains!

A Poem by Ainsley B  
My Sister  
She's my rock  
The beat I follow  
That striking pain  
My garden  
My angel  
She's my sister  
My blood



# SCHOOL BREAKFAST CLUBS PROGRAM

## BREAKFAST CLUB



Education  
and Training

## NOW BACK FOR TERM 4!

When? Tuesdays & Fridays 8:30-8:45am

Where? Year 2/3 Gallery Space

Who? All students welcome!