



Our hours of supervision are 8:45am–3:30pm

The Oak Observer

Drouin West Primary School

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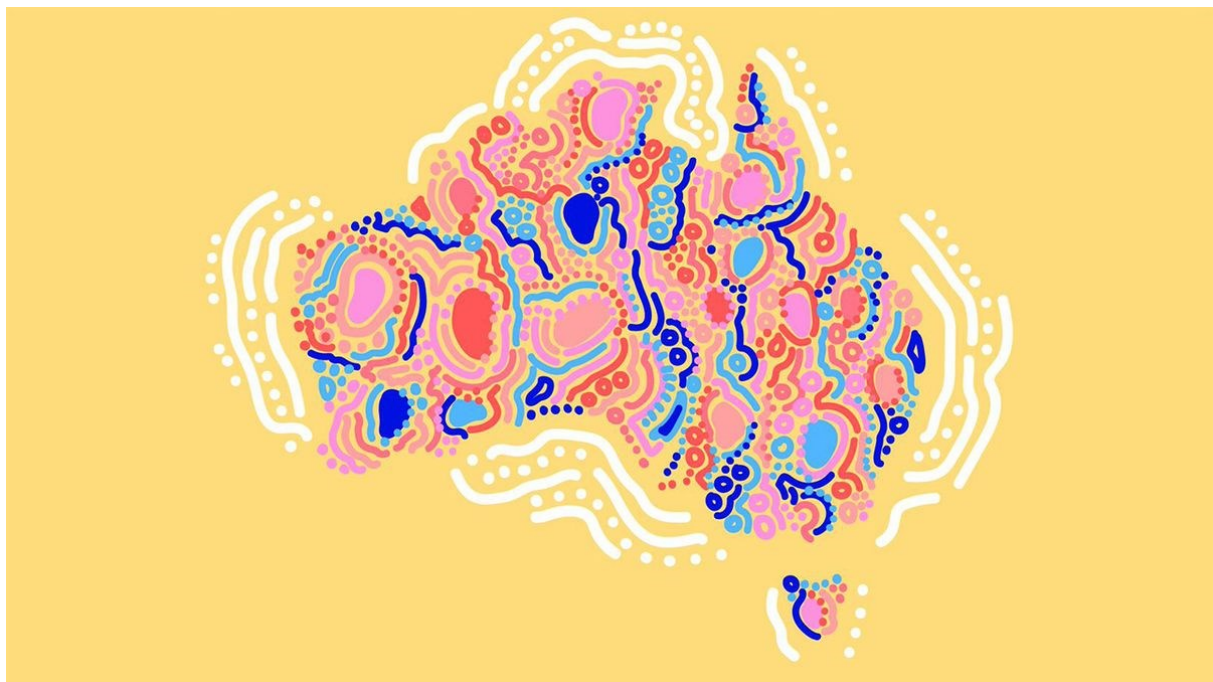


Acknowledgement of Country



We acknowledge the Traditional Owners of Country and recognise the continuing connection to lands, water and communities.

We pay our respects to Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander cultures' and to Elders past and present.



IMPORTANT DATES



Mondays

Lunch Orders via Flexi Schools

Lunch Time Club: Outdoor games with James

Tuesdays

Lunch Time Club: Garden Club with Miss Gooding

Wednesdays

Lunch Time Club: Art Club with Ms Height & James

Thursdays

Lunch Orders via Flexi Schools

Lunch Time Club: Technology Club

Friday

Assembly (Undercover Area) @ 2:50pm

Lunch Time Club: Craft in the Art Room

TERM 4

Thurs 7th DEC

End of Year Concert @ 6:30pm – 8pm

Fri 8th DEC

Year 6 Gumbuya World

Mon 11th DEC

Year 6 Graduation Ceremony – 6:00pm **** Time correction**

Tue 12th DEC

State-Wide Transition

Mon 18th DEC

Professional Practice Day (No Students)

Wed 20th Dec

Last Day of Term 4 – 1:15pm Early Dismissal

Fri 22nd Dec

Last day to order book packs

TERM 1 – 2024

Tue 30th Jan

Student Free Day

Wed 31st Jan

Student's First Day – All Students from Prep to Yr 6

**** Prep students do not attend Wednesdays in February. These dates are the 7th, 14th, 21st and 28th February.**

Attendance reminder: If your child is absent, please let us know by phoning the school or adding an attendance note directly into Compass.



Drouin West Primary is partnering with TheirCare for Outside School Hours Care in 2024. If you have registered your interest for care next year, we will be in touch with information shortly.



From the Principal

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

Dear Families,

Term 4 is certainly flying by! It was another fabulous day today with our 2024 preps here for a transition session. They are fitting into the school world so wonderfully. Our parent/teacher interviews over the past two weeks were a success, it was so lovely to see the smiles of pride from you all. We're thankful for the partnership we share with you around your child's education.

Don't forget our end of year celebration concert this coming Thursday evening at 6:30pm, to be held on the deck. You're welcome to bring a picnic blanket or a chair. This is will be a great opportunity to end our fantastic year on a high note. Please see the COMPASS class stories to keep up to date with what clothes your child needs to wear.

2024 Structure and teaching staffing

Our statewide transition day is Tuesday the 12th of December, during which students will be with their 2024 peers and teacher. It also provides an opportunity for further connections to be built whilst getting prepared for 2024. It is an exciting time but can bring about some nerves. We will continue to care for and support our little people through this time. Each teaching team will have education support, which will be confirmed. We are in the process of recruitment currently.

We are welcoming two new teachers for 2024, Miss Jessica Boyson and Ms Ashlee Buzasi. Jessica is joining us from Courtenay Gardens Primary School and Ms Ashlee Buzasi has been working as an Education support in 2023, so is very familiar to DWPS. We are excited to see her moving into the teaching role.

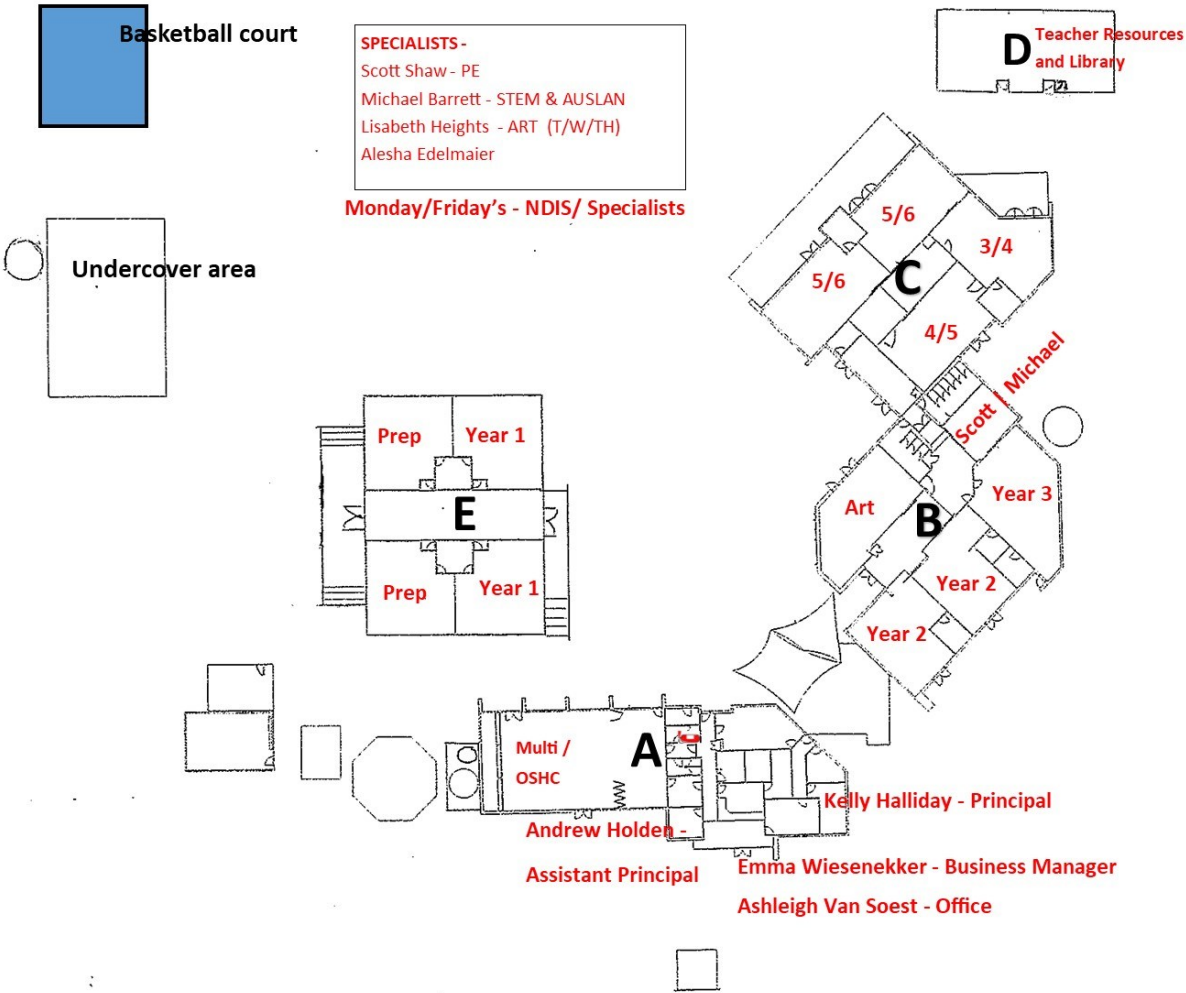
This week we said goodbye to Mr James who will be moving to Buln Buln Primary School. We will also be farewelling Ms Lauren McKay who is transitioning across to Warragul North Primary School. We wish them both the very best for their new ventures!

Have a great weekend, take care. Kelly

Our structure for 2024 will be:

Junior	Senior
Prep- Chloe Thompson	Three – Erin Baudinette
Prep- Carlie Balfour	Three/Four- Courtney Health
One- Leah Bull	Four/Five – Jessica Boyson
One- Melanie Hudgell & Alesha Edelmaier (Wednesday's)	Five/Six- Joel Gilcrist
Two- Loree Ambrose	Five/Six – Hayley Jessiman
Two –Ashlee Buzasi	
Specialist	
PE/Health – Scott Shaw Stem/AUSLAN – Michael Barrett Art – Lis Height	

2024
DROUIN
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PLAN



END OF YEAR

IMPORTANT DATES

Lunch Orders

- ♦ Alimentos Catering have advised that lunch orders for 2023 will finish on **Thursday, 14th December 2023.**
- ♦ Lunch orders for 2024 will commence on the **Monday, 5th February 2024**



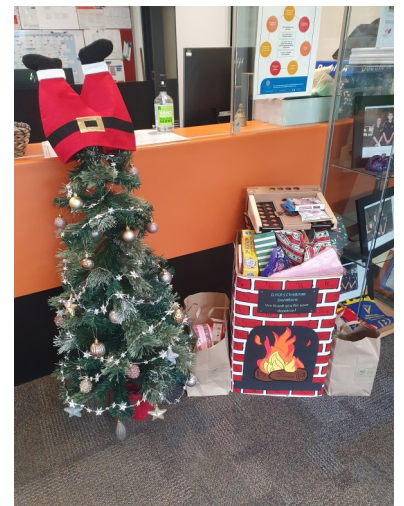
Important Dates

- ♦ **Thursday 7th December** - DWPS End of Year Concert starting @ 6:30pm
- ♦ **Tuesday 12th December** - Statewide Transition
- ♦ **Monday 18th December** - Student Free Day (Staff Professional Practice Day)
- ♦ **Wednesday 20th December** - LAST DAY 1:15pm Dismissal

Christmas Raffle

- ♦ Drawn on **Friday 15th December** @ assembly

Thank you to all the families who have already donated to the DWPS 2023 Christmas Raffle. If you would like to donate to the raffle please put your items in the donation bin, located at the Office.



SUPER BEE AWARDS

'A big congratulations and well done!'

Term 4 - Week 9

Prep A Mrs Bull
- Ashlee O

4/5A Miss Jessiman
- Adrian M &
WHOLE CLASS

Prep B Miss Thomson
- Dakota G

4/5B Miss Baudinette
- Chloe C

1A Miss Balfour
- Meri S

5/6A Ms Ambrose
- Ellis P

1B Miss McKay
- Kara C

5/6B Mr Gilcrist
- Elsie R

2/3A Miss Viotto
- Noah V

2/3B Mrs Hudgell &
Mr Barrett
- Tillie M

2/3C Miss Winter &
Mrs Heath
- Brock S

DWPS Christmas Raffle '23

TICKETS \$1.00 EACH

AVAILABLE AT THE OFFICE

Donations

We are calling on our school community for help, with donations for our annual Christmas Raffle.

Any donation would be greatly appreciated.

Donations could include:

- . Kids toys & games, sports items, his/her toiletries, car items, candles etc.
- . Christmas decorations/non-perishable food items.
- . Garden items.
- . Gift voucher from a local business (or your own).



DROUIN WEST PRIMARY SCHOOL

THURSDAY 7th DECEMBER

Invites all Grades and
Families to the



END OF CONCERT!

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

Under the shade sail/deck area
BYO chairs, picnic blankets and
picnic dinner of your choice.