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# The Oak Observer

Drouin West Primary School

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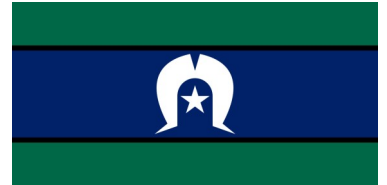
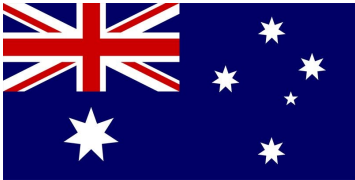


## Sovereign Hill Camp 2023



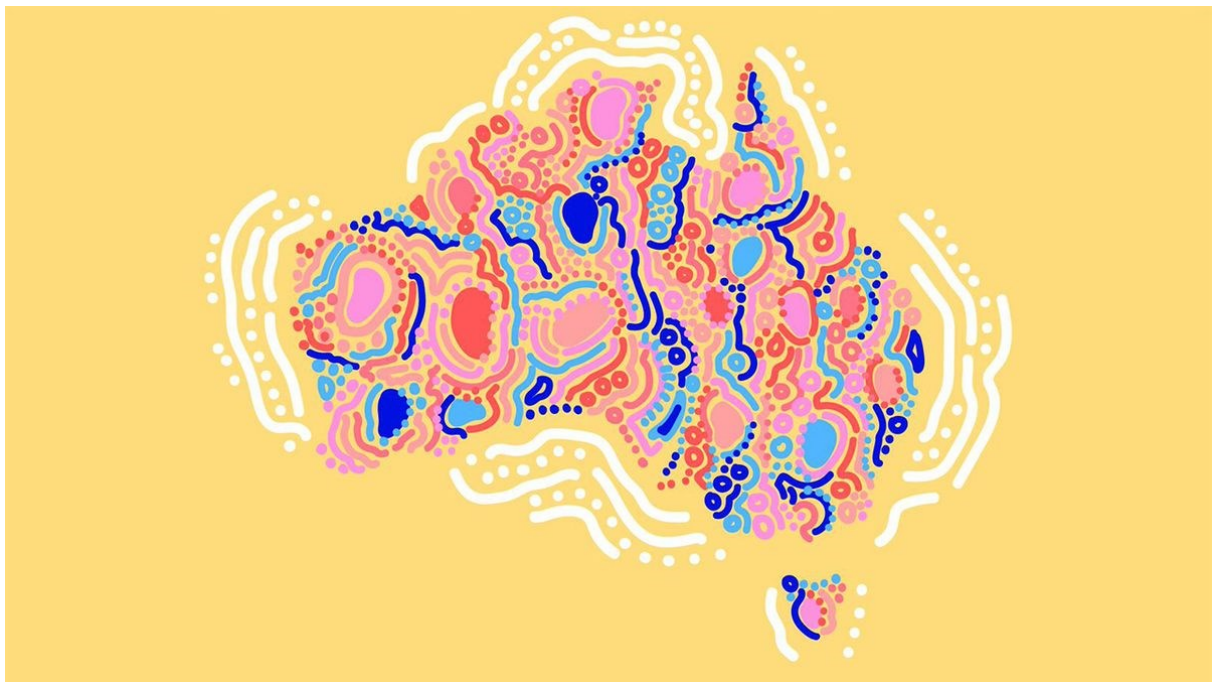


# Acknowledgement of Country



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



<b>Mondays</b>	Lunch Orders via Flexi Schools Lunch Time Club: Outdoor games with James
<b>Tuesdays</b>	Lunch Time Club: Garden Club with Miss Gooding
<b>Wednesdays</b>	Lunch Time Club: Art Club with Ms Height & James
<b>Thursdays</b>	Lunch Orders via Flexi Schools Lunch Time Club: Technology Club
<b>Friday</b>	Assembly (Undercover Area) @ 2:50pm Lunch Time Club: Craft in the Art Room

## TERM 3

<b>Fri 4th AUG</b>	Principal's Day & 100 of Prep Celebration
<b>Fri 11th AUG</b>	<b>Student Free Day</b>
<b>Tue 15th AUG</b>	School Council Meeting @ 7:00pm
<b>Fri 25th AUG</b>	Book Week Dress Up Day
<b>Fri 1st SEP</b>	Fathers & Special Others day stall & special assembly @ 2:30pm
<b>Fri 8th SEP</b>	NDSC Discovery Maths Games Day Year 4/5/6

## TERM 4

<b>Tue 17th OCT</b>	School Council Meeting @ 7:00pm
<b>Fri 27th OCT</b>	World Teacher's Day
<b>Mon 6th NOV</b>	Assessment & Reporting Day (No Students)
<b>Fri 10th NOV</b>	Year 6 Graduation Photo Day
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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 SCHOOL

Now is the time to submit Prep Enrolment paperwork for 2024!



## THE ENROLMENT PROCESS HAS CHANGED

Here is what you need to know...

1

Grab a DWPS Enrolment pack from our school office or website.

2

Gather all the required documents and submit the Enrolment paperwork by **Friday the 28th of July.**

3

We will contact you via email on **Friday the 11th of August** to confirm the outcome of your Enrolment.

Please contact our office on **5625 1971**  
to organise a school tour.





Student Free Day

**Friday**  
**11<sup>th</sup>**  
**August**

The Drouin West Primary  
School staff will be participating  
in a day of professional  
development.



**DROUIN WEST**  
PRIMARY SCHOOL  
EST. 1874

Dads & Special Others are invited to join us for a special assembly at 2:30pm on Friday the 1st of September.

A two gift bundle can be purchased via QKR, cash or EFT by Wednesday August 30th. Limit of 2 per student. Students will select their gifts Friday 1st September.

**\$8**

**FRIDAY 1ST SEPTEMBER**

# Father's Day & Special Others





CHILDREN'S  
BOOK WEEK®

#CBCA2023

READ  
GROW  
Inspire

You are invited to come  
dressed as your  
favourite book  
character!

Friday Aug 25th  
**BOOK WEEK DRESS UP DAY**



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**Just a  
reminder...**

- Family Information Update forms are due back **Tuesday 1st of August**
- Year 6 Acceptance letters are due back on the **9th of August**. If you haven't returned your form yet or require a new form please contact the office.

**SCHOOL  
BREAKFAST  
CLUBS  
PROGRAM**

**BREAKFAST  
CLUB**

Tuesday and Friday





# SUPER BEE AWARDS

*'A big congratulations and well done!'*

## **Term 3 - Week 2**

Prep A Mrs Bull  
- Harvey V

4/5A Miss Jessiman  
- Tara A

Prep B Miss Thomson  
- Blair L

4/5B Miss Baudinette  
- Jaden C

1A Miss Balfour  
- Meri S

5/6A Ms Ambrose  
- Chayce R

1B Miss McKay  
- Zac S

5/6B Mr Gilcrist  
- Brianna F

2/3A Miss Viotto  
- Noah V

2/3B Mrs Tymkin &  
Mrs Hudgell  
- Tilly C

2/3C Miss Winter &  
Miss Heath  
- Halle G





On Friday the 4th of August our Prep's will celebrate reaching 100 days of school! They have been keeping track of their school days in the classroom each morning.

Our preps will spend the day celebrating this achievement. As part of the celebration, students can dress up as if they were 100 years old! Miss Thomson & Mrs. Bull will also be dressing up.





# 5/6 Sovereign Hill Camp

How lucky are our Year 5/6's!! This week they went on camp to explore Sovereign Hill. They got to experience panning for gold, touring the mine where the Welcome Nugget was found and they also enjoyed some time bowling.

A big THANK YOU to all DWPS staff and our family volunteers: Casey W, Jay W, Nathan U, Jodie S & Sarah B who attended the camp.





# 1A & 1B Snapshot

Everyone has been loving learning about different countries around the world! We have been working so well together to make Papier-mâché globes. You can see the progress with them so far! Lots of patience and teamwork was shown! It has been so lovely seeing everyone's interest spark with the world around us. Lots of questions have been asked! We have been learning about Italy and some of the famous historical sites such as the Colosseum, Pompeii and the Leaning Tower of Pisa. We even practised how to say 'Italy' in Auslan.





# 4/5 B Snapshot

This week in 4/5B we have been learning about erosion. We have been reading non-fiction texts to learn what erosion is and the impact erosion has on people and the environment.

Students learnt about the importance of vegetation (trees and plants) in holding soil in place to stop wind and water erosion. To test this theory we went outside to the sandpit in the yard. To begin the experiment, students saw what occurred when wind (air from a filled balloon) pushes against sand. Students then used objects from the environment (mud, sticks, leaves, rocks, stones and grass) to prevent the sand from being eroded away by the "wind".





# Surviving Separation

Are you finding it difficult navigating your children's feelings and behaviour after separation?

**Come along, learn some skills to assist you and your children to build strong connections and chat with other parents in similar situations.**

**Would you like to:**

- Learn how to best support your children through separation?
- Learn ways to better deal with your emotions and theirs?
- Build communication skills for the future, for yourself and your children?
- Develop strategies to manage your children's behaviour

**Dates:** Thursday 4th August - 7th September 2023

**Time:** 10:00am - 12:00pm

**Cost:** FREE

**Venue:** Online via ZOOM

**Register:** scan the QR code, follow the MS forms link  
<https://forms.office.com/r/s8j22s0tQU>  
**OR contact**  
[Parentzone.Gippsland@anglicarevic.org.au](mailto:Parentzone.Gippsland@anglicarevic.org.au)  
**P:** (03) 5135 9555



**PARENT***ZONE*





## Self Care for Parents and Carers

**Are you feeling burnt out and overwhelmed by every day tasks?**

**Self care can sound like a simple thing to achieve however are you stuck with where to start?**

Making time for self care looks at:

- Strategies for feeling less overwhelmed.
- Improving your confidence and self esteem.
- Building resilience and setting boundaries.
- Making time for yourself and your family

**Where:** On line via ZOOM

**When:** Friday 4th August, 2023

**Time:** 1:00pm - 3:00pm

**Cost:** FREE. Bookings essential

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